



*Remember Us is a unique Social Group for young people/vulnerable adults with special needs, their families, and friends. We cater for members from birth through to adulthood from the Dublin Fingal and surrounding areas.*

### **Job Description - Youth Worker with Young People and Vulnerable Adults with Special Needs**

**Post:** Part Time Position

**Location:** Primarily Remember Us, Unit 5 Balbriggan Retail Park, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin and you may be required to travel to various locations to attend club activities.

**Hours Per Week:** 18.5 hours

**Salary:** €18,915 per annum

**Responsible to:** The Manager and Remember Us Board of Directors

**Responsible for:** Input in the design and delivery of programmes and activities relevant to the Social inclusion and personal development of young people/vulnerable adults with Special Needs, of all ages, and their families, within Dublin Fingal and surrounding areas.

**Job purpose:** To work directly with young people/vulnerable adults with Special Needs, and their families to create an integrated social environment where they can learn and form friendships, that also supports their development and inclusion as valued members of the community.

#### **Main duties and responsibilities:**

1. To work directly with young people/vulnerable adults with special needs and their families by providing relevant needs-based programmes, support and information.
2. Ensuring that all members play an active role in programmes and activities and work towards a model of integration and inclusion, encouraging young people/vulnerable adults with special needs to broaden their horizons and be active citizens in their community.
3. Assist young people/vulnerable adults with special needs to develop their social and life skills, self-esteem and quality of life.



## Remember Us

Social Group for People with

## Special Needs

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4. Communicate effectively and build positive relationships by developing a rapport with young people/vulnerable adults with special needs and their families, enabling them to work effectively in groups.
5. Support young people/vulnerable adults with special needs and their families to help combat the feeling of isolation and help them integrate into the community.
6. To work within the policy and implement the policy procedures of Remember Us to Safeguard the welfare of young people/vulnerable adults and the welfare of others.
7. Undertaking additional duties as may be required from time to time.

### **Qualifications and Experience**

- A professionally endorsed qualification in Youth Work or Special Needs is desired, but not essential.
- The candidate must be able to demonstrate relevant experience working in a youth setting, preferably with young people and/or vulnerable adults with special needs

### **Knowledge and Skills Required**

- A good knowledge of the issues facing young people/vulnerable adults with special needs and their families
- Be able to contribute to effective teamwork
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills and an ability to relate to young people/vulnerable adults with special needs and their families in a variety of ways positively
- Any other skills, interests, expertise and qualifications that may be used in a youth work setting (music, art, crafts, sports, outdoor activities, health awareness)
- Good organisational

### **Personal Qualities**

- Be willing and open to undertake training (may fall outside contractual hours)
- Ability to understand, respect and value the views of young people/vulnerable adults with special needs
- Be willing to work scheduled evenings and Saturdays
- Be motivated, enthusiastic, confident
- Committed to working within an equal opportunities framework and to the aims and purposes of Remember Us.