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**Community Service Worker I  
Supportive Housing for Transition Age Youth Program  
Oakland, CA**

**Who the STAY Program Is:**

The Supportive Housing for Transition Age Youth (STAY) program provides community-based mental health services to 18 – 24 year olds that are struggling with persistent and severe mental illness as well as homelessness. The primary objectives of the STAY program are to ensure that program Participants have safe housing; develop effective coping skills to manage their mental health symptoms; increase their independent and community living skills; and exit the program with the ability to live as self-sufficiently as possible. To accomplish these objectives STAY works collaboratively with our Participants and their self-identified support systems as well as utilizing research-based principles for working with TAY. Services are provided primarily in the Participants' natural environments which can include communities such as East Oakland, Hayward, Berkeley, and San Leandro. The population served is diverse and includes African American, Caucasian, Latino, and Asian Pacific Islander young adults.

**CSW I Position Summary:**

The Community Service Worker (CSWI) is part of a multi-disciplinary team that works together to help STAY Participants meet their treatment goals as well as the program goals such as decreasing hospitalizations and incarcerations while increasing the Participants level of functioning within the community. The specific role of the CSWI on the team includes:

- Providing mental health services to TAY on their primary caseload.
- Providing vocational skill development and coaching to any Participant in the program that needs support in working towards employment goals.
- Assisting team members with identifying and accessing employment and education resources in the community.
- Providing outreach and engagement to individuals that could benefit from STAY services.
- Being responsible for documenting patterns of behavior and incidents as well as participating in training and supervisory meetings as needed.

**Who Fred Finch Youth Center Is:**

For more than a century, Fred Finch Youth Center has served youth and their families in the East Bay. Today we also serve communities on the peninsula and in San Diego County. Our clients include children, adolescents, and young adults who face varied and often multiple challenges. Many are transitioning from foster care into the adult world. Many have an emotional disturbance or mental illness. Some have both a mental illness and a developmental disability. All are economically impoverished. Most have experienced, abuse, neglect, trauma or lack of adequate health care or educational resources. To enhance the strengths and assist with the challenges of each individual, we provide a wide variety of services in several types of settings: specialty residential treatment; special education; vocational services; transitional housing; individual, group and family therapy and counseling. Services are provided in the community, in schools, in homes and at our sites.

**Requirements:**

- BA degree with at least two years post-college experience in working with transition age youth living with mental illness and / or severe emotional disturbance strongly preferred.
- Clean driving record and current CA driver's license required.

- One or more years of experience working with socioeconomically and culturally diverse populations preferred.
- Bilingual in Spanish, Vietnamese, or Cantonese preferred but not necessary.
- Experience working as part of a multi-disciplinary team strongly preferred.
- Knowledge of employment, educational, and health care resources in Alameda County strongly preferred.

**How to Apply:**

Please apply to this link: <https://home.eease.adp.com/recruit/?id=1145951> NO FAXES OR EMAILS, PLEASE.

**Compensation:**

Starting pay: \$15.93 per hour or more depending on experience (DOE) PLUS OUTSTANDING FULL BENEFITS - to include medical, dental, vision, retirement/401(k) plan, paid life insurance, employee assistance program, flexible spending account, and supplemental insurance.

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