

Roman Road Independent Methodist Church, Failsworth are seeking to appoint a

Church Community Worker

Salary: up to £23,000 depending on qualifications & experience **Closing date**: 30th June 2016

Contract: Initial two year contract with the possibility of a 12 month extension

Hours of work: 37 hours per week to be worked flexibly.

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You would be responsible for:

- Developing activities already established within the church.
- Building on existing links and developing appropriate new links.

We are seeking a person who:

- Is a spiritually mature Christian who is living & sharing the values of God's Kingdom.
- Has proven experience of working within community groups and has proven involvement within their current church.
- Is creative, enthusiastic, self-motivated and has good organizational skills.
- Has an ability to engage with a wide range of people of different ages and backgrounds.

For further information and a job pack please e-mail office@romanroadimchurch.org.uk or call Elizabeth Barron on 0161 688 4129.

Church Community Worker

Job Description

Title	Church Community Worker	
Employed by	Roman Road Independent Methodist Church, Failsworth	
Responsible to	Church members via the Leadership Team	
Workbase	Roman Road IM Church	
Work Area	Failsworth	
Hours	37 per week on 2 year fixed term basis	

Vision and Aim

Roman Road Independent Methodist Church is a Christian Fellowship meeting together to do God's work, spread the Good News and have fun. We are based in the centre of Failsworth, Manchester. We are a lively church and welcome many people into our building on a weekly basis to a number of activities including children's groups, bible studies and prayer meetings. Our Sunday morning services feature speakers from all over the North and are aimed at all ages.

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Objectives

- To develop activities already established within the church.
- To build existing links with external bodies and to develop appropriate new links.
- To liaise with organisations and statutory bodies to enhance provision for our church and community.

Duties and Responsibilities

- 1. Visit local schools and develop links.
- 2. Visiting and building relationships with existing families with whom we have connections through our current activities.
- 3. Be involved with intergenerational worship.
- 4. Lead Parenting classes.
- 5. To be involved with community activities organized by other agencies.
- 6. To investigate opportunities for grant applications in order to facilitate proposed activities.
- 7. To support our older children in their developing faith
- 8. To support our existing work with the elderly within our community and develop new aspects of this work.
- 9. To propose new initiatives as appropriate.

Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	 Recognised relevant qualification in youth work, children's work or families work 	 Degree or equivalent IT qualification/good IT skills
Experience	 Proven involvement within your own church. Experience of working within community groups. Have built up positive relationships as part of community work. 	 Experience of similar work. Experience of dealing with grant applications. Presenting verbal & written reports.
Skills and Abilities	 Active personal Christian faith. Ability to relate to people from a wide range of backgrounds and to engage with target groups. Skills with networking. Excellent listening skills and confidence in talking to people both in groups and on a one to one basis. Good time management and willingness to work flexibly to meet the needs of the church. Be able to work independently and with groups of others. Raise the profile of the church in the local community and communicate our activities. 	 Musical ability Drama skills Full UK driving licence
Vision	 To capture their part in the overall vision of the church. To see with God's help over time how they might help fulfill their aspect of this vision. 	

Resources

- The post holder will have shared use of an office at church
- A mentor, preferably linking with another leader for mutual support, will support the post holder.
- Mileage/expenses will be reimbursed for appropriate training.

Hours

- The appointment is subject to receipt of satisfactory references, completion of the process of Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and satisfactory completion of 6 month probationary period.
- Funding is currently secured for the first 2 years. However we are seeking additional funding for a further 12 months.
- 37 hours per week, with flexibility including evenings and weekends.
- 23 days annual leave plus all bank holidays.

Salary

• Up to £23,000 for 37 hours depending on qualifications and experience.