

Role Description

Job Title: Youth Advisory Board Member

Pay Rate: Voluntary position

Responsible to: Drop-In and Participation Manager

Hours: Weekly meetings, Wednesdays 6.30-8pm. 2 Mandatory meetings a month.
There is the opportunity for more voluntary work during lowdown events, staff interviews and youth led projects.

Commitment to Group: 6 months minimum

Place of Work: Face to face at The Lowdown (3 Kingswell Street, NN1 1PP)

Age Requirement: 11-25 years old

Purpose of Post:

- Provide feedback on The Lowdown and its services.
- Inform the development of the Lowdown and how it can better support young people.
- Represent the voice of young people in the local community.
- Opportunity to volunteer during Lowdown events.
- Use your voice and be a part of our planning and delivering a youth led project in the community.

Service Objectives:

- Better represent the young people our organisation serves.
- Empower young people to have a voice about services available to them.
- Embrace youth voice and be involved in implanting beneficial change for young people.
- Empower young people with professional and social skills.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Communicate effectively with team members and leaders.
- Share views and ideas about the Lowdown and its services, and the development of those services.
- Represent the Lowdown as a valued member of our organization.
- Attend all mandatory meetings and scheduled events where possible.
- Be an active team member.
- Develop our organisation and services based on the voice of young people to help us improve the emotional wellbeing of our service users aged 11-25 year olds.

Accountability:

You will be line managed by our Participation and Wellbeing Co-ordinator Rebecca Kings and given full information and training when appropriate.

Benefits:

- Enhance your CV/Personal statement with work experience and opportunities
- Improve communication and social skills by meeting new people
- Develop professional and personal skills
- Have your voice taken seriously

Person Specification

**These are skills that we are looking for in a candidate but will also support you to develop during your time on the YAB.*

Youth Advisory Board Member:

1. Communication skills
2. Ability to be reliable and punctual
3. Collaborative team working
4. A passion for improving the mental health services accessed by young people
5. Listening skills
6. Non-judgemental
7. Willing to contribute to and take part in events and projects

To apply, please submit an application form to:
wellbeing@thelowdownnorthampton.co.uk