



# include YOUTH

# **FINANCE MANAGER BELFAST**





## A MESSAGE FROM INCLUDE YOUTH

#### DEAR APPLICANT,

Include Youth is seeking to appoint a Finance Manager based in Belfast to manage and deliver an end to end financial portfolio for Include Youth and support operations in both Northern Ireland and ROI.

The closing date for submission is 12 noon, Wednesday 2nd October 2024. Late applications will not be considered.

If you have any questions on the application process, please in the first instance contact jackie@includeyouth.org

Yours sincerely,

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Diane Hill CEO

### Who We Are

Include Youth is a rights-based charity for children and young people in or leaving care, from disadvantaged communities or whose rights are not being met.

We work to improve employability, personal and social development enhancing inclusion, integration and good relations.

Include Youth influences public policy led by the voice of children and young people, evidence based practice and international children's rights standards.



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### **Our Approach**

Adopting a youth work based approach, we work alongside young people in order to provide life changing opportunities.

We provide a tailored wrap around service that helps young people gain qualifications, employability skills, develop self-confidence and a better understanding of cultural diversity and inclusion.

# **Our Vision**

Include Youth's vision is of a society that realises and fulfils the rights and potential of all children and young people.

# **Our Values**



We focus on driving equality amongst young people and in wider society, ensuring all young people have access to opportunities to improve their lives

Equality



We believe in an inclusive society, where regardless of background, everyone should have a voice. Include Youth involve and advocate for young people from all communities, creating a truly inclusive environment throughout Northern Ireland and across the border.

Inclusion



**Opportunity** 

Through our work we ensure that young people are provided with opportunity to excel and thrive. By facilitating accessible programmes, we can drive opportunities for the most disadvantaged in society and create opportunity for all.

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We work in a respectful, helpful and transparent manner with our young people so we can advocate for them and achieve the best outcomes.

Integrity

# **Our Services**

Give and Take

Give and Take is a regional youth work intervention project to support young people aged 16 to 24 years old. It offers individually tailored programmes with core themes being; supported work experience, personal development, OCN qualifications, mentoring and transitional support.

Give and Take One to One is a programme that supports young people who are at risk of or have experienced Child Sexual Exploitation. It builds on protective factors and helps to improve their health and wellbeing in a supportive way

Expert By Experience This project is led by young people, working directly with their peers. It builds upon Include Youth's 'Expert by Experience' (EBE) model of participation which empowers young people to lead. It employs 15 care experienced EBE's who will be supported to mentor other young people to become change makers and policy advocates.

We are committed to ensuring that the voice of young people is at the centre of decision making. We promote and protect the rights of children and young people and provide opportunities for young people to influence policy and decision makers. We support young people to develop their campaigns on issues which matter to them.

Policy

We deliver a range of accredited training and workshops such as;

Awareness raising workshop on Child Sexual Exploitation,

OCN NI Level 2 in Understanding Child Sexual Exploitation,

OCN NI Level 4 in Supporting Care Experienced Children and Young People OCN NI Level 2 in Mentoring Practice

J0B Employability

Employability services offers one to one support for young people hoping to transition into employment and help them navigate this move. It offers: CV building, supported work placements, taster days, interview techniques and personal development support.

Strive is a cross-border, cross-community, good relations programme for young people aged 14 to 24 led by Include Youth in partnership with Youth Initiatives, Newstart Education Centre, Northern Ireland Alternatives and Lifford Clonleigh Resource Centre. Strive is an intensive youth-led youth work programme . It engages young people in a transformative process, focusing on four core strands: good relations, citizenship, personal development and employability.

Strive

#### **Job Description**

Job Title: Responsible to: Based at: Working week: Salary: Holidays Probationary Period: Finance Manager Support Services Director IOO Great Patrick Street, Belfast, BT1 2LU 35 hrs per week £35,745 - £41,881 25 per days per annum 6 months

#### Job Purpose

The post holder will manage and deliver an end to end financial portfolio for Include Youth and support operations in both Northern Ireland and ROI. The Main Responsibilities will be to :

- Manage the day-to-day finance function and the finance team
- Deliver a high-quality finance service across the entire organisation.
- Ensure the financial management systems and procedures across the whole organisation including internal controls and annual audits are being implemented.
- Period close and reconciling the balance sheet
- Produce management accounts in line with charity reporting guidelines
- Monitoring cash flows and working capital requirements
- Assisting the Finance team with various ad-hoc tasks and overseeing direct reports as needed

#### Key Tasks

#### Financial Management

- Preparing monthly and annual management accounts and other financial reports for review for use by multiple users (Board, statutory funders, internal project services, internal support departments), including reference to KPIs and variances and reporting back to Director of Support Services.
- Assist in preparing annual budgets for review and liaising on a frequent basis with project group managers to monitor adherence to expenditure budgets for each project.
- Preparation of ad hoc reports when requested, and assistance with overall departmental coordination and planning,

#### Key Tasks cont'd

#### Payroll and Pension Management

- Preparation of the NI and ROI monthly payroll by the set dates, including liaising with HR and staff on payroll related matters and queries, issue of required statements, monthly payroll folder reports and checks, processing of monthly payments for HM Revenue and Customs and any liaison arising.
- Overseeing of pension scheme contributions and auto enrolment requirements.

#### Governance and Compliance

• Completing regulatory documentation and ensuring full compliance.

#### Funder Financial Reporting

• Overseeing funder returns and responding to funding queries.

#### Managing Bookkeeping function

- Managing the accounts receivable function, including preparing claims for funding and arrears monitoring.
- Managing the credit card function.
- Monitoring and covering the accounts payable function, as needed.
- Preparing weekly bank reconciliations whilst monitoring cash flow.
- Preparing procurement guidelines and assessing supplier contracts and monitoring adherence to guidelines and value for money in expenditure.
- Supervising operational output, approach to work and management of assigned staff on a daily basis.

#### Staff Management

- To be responsible for the regular supervision and support of the Finance staff and to delegate tasks, problem solve and ensure a high-quality service is being provided.
- Where there is concern in relation to performance or discipline the post holder will take such action as may be necessary including absence management in accordance with the procedures of Include Youth.
- To be involved in the selection of staff where appropriate and to provide high quality induction, training and professional development to staff.

#### Key Tasks cont'd

#### Staff Management - cont'd

- Maintaining appropriate records of staff meetings and following up on actions where necessary.
- To work as part of the Include Youth Senior Management Team to meet the strategic and operational objectives of the organisation.

#### Other

- Updating financial policy and procedures arising from changes in legislative and best practice developments.
- The above list is not exhaustive; additional areas of responsibility may be added over time and flexibility to cover for other staff roles is required from time to time.

#### General

The key responsibilities above give a broad outline of the functions of the post. However, these duties must be approached in a flexible manner. The post holder will be expected to adapt to changing circumstances and undertake other duties appropriate to the grade of the post as allocated by your line manager

- Members of staff are expected to treat those with whom they come into contact in a courteous and respectful manner in accordance with the Dignity at Work Procedure.
- Staff are expected to demonstrate their commitment to Include Youth by their regular attendance and the efficient completion of all tasks allocated to them.
- Staff must take care of their own health and safety and that of people who may be affected by what they do (or do not do).
- Staff must co-operate with others on health and safety, and not interfere with, or misuse, anything provided for their health, safety or welfare.
- Staff must follow the training they have received when using any work items their employer has given them.
- Staff must follow Include Youth policy and procedures as outlined in staff handbook
- The post holder will maintain high standards of personal accountability

This job description is not deemed to be comprehensive or prescriptive and may be subject to amendment to include other duties as determined.

#### **Person Specification**

#### Qualifications

#### **Essential Criteria**

- Professional accounting qualification (CIMA, CIPFA, CA, ACCA)
- Minimum of 3 years qualification experience, including management accounts.

#### **Knowledge and Values**

#### **Essential Criteria**

Knowledge of managing multiple funding streams in a charity context

#### Experience

#### **Essential Criteria**

- Proven experience working closely with month-end and year-end closure
- Technical ability to prepare, review and ensure accuracy and completeness of financial reports
- Strong staff supervision and coaching skills and familiarity with large scale accounting systems

#### **Desirable Criteria**

• Experience in the Voluntary sector, including funder reporting requirements.

#### Skills

#### **Essential Criteria**

- Strong written and verbal communication skills
- Ability to plan and organise effectively
- Strong analytical and problem-solving abilities.
- Excellent attention to detail and accuracy in all work
- Ability to work to and meet deadlines

#### **Condition of Service**

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#### **Travel Expenses**

Responsibility is on the employee to ensure that when using the car in the course of business, that proper insurance cover is acquired, and that the car is maintained in a road worthy condition. A mileage allowance will be payable by Include Youth towards expenses.

#### Vetting

The successful applicant will be asked to declare all pending prosecutions, convictions, cautions and bind-over orders. Applicants must complete the Access NI form which will be submitted to the Access NI office for clearance.

#### Pension

Include Youth operates a group personal pension scheme.

#### TOIL

There is no entitlement to overtime payment. However, you are entitled to receive time off in lieu for hours worked in excess of your normal working week.

#### **Equal Opportunities Policy**

Include Youth is an equal opportunity employer. The aim of its policy is to ensure that no job applicant or employee receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of nationality, race, ethnic origin, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, disability, religious belief or political opinion, nor should they be disadvantaged by conditions or requirements which are neither justified nor relevant to the job.

It is the responsibility of all staff to ensure a harmonious working environment in which the dignity of all employees and service users is respected.

#### Please read the following carefully before completing your application.

#### The application :

Applicants, please ensure that you first read the essential criteria on the person specification and the duties on the job description to see if you are suitable for the post.

#### **Personal details:**

Ensure that your contact details are clearly displayed. If you move address between submitting your application and being interviewed, please let us know as soon as possible. All personal details will be removed prior to the selection process

#### Shortlisting:

Applicants will be shortlisted against the criteria in the person specification.

#### The interview:

All shortlisted applicants will be contacted with an offer of an interview and this will be confirmed by email. You will be informed of the date, time, location and contact for the interview. If you have any special requirements that would enable you to participate more fully in the interview, please let us know in advance of the interview. Applicants will be asked questions relating to the job description and person specification and the panel will take notes during the course of the interview. This is part of the procedure to ensure that all applicants are treated equally, and to help us to make the right decision.

In preparation for the interview, please take the opportunity to read through the job description and any other literature sent as part of the information pack, and be prepared to talk about your experience, giving examples that illustrate your ability to do particular parts of the job.

# **Reward Statement**

#### **Financial Reward**

- Sector competitive salaries
- Employer pensions contributions 7%
- Business expenses
- Enhanced maternity, paternity and adoption Pay
- Enhanced sick pay



- Standard 35 hour week
- Up to 30 days paid leave and 12 days statutory leave
- Time off in Lieu (TOIL) in compensation for additional hours worked
- Flexible working
- Family friendly policies
- Other leave such as compassionate leave



#### Training and Development

- Comprehensive induction training
- Comprehensive in-house training
- On the job learning
- Learning and development linked to Strategic, Operational Plan
- Learning and development linked to individual requests
- Work plans and ongoing supervision
- Continuing professional development
- Strategy and team building days
- Study leave



#### Wellbeing

- Wellbeing Champions
- Occupational Health Service
- Return to work interviews
- Free tea/coffee/milk/water fountains
- Clear policies and procedures

#### How to Apply

Applications will only be accepted on the official application form and accompanied by a completed monitoring form.

Application forms can be found on the Include Youth website, https://includeyouth.org/all-aboutus/careers/ and on the Community NI website, https://www.communityni.org/job or by contacting jackie@includeyouth.org.

Attached CV's will not be considered, either in lieu of the application form or in conjunction with it.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that they upload the:

- Application Form
- and Equal Opportunities Monitoring Form

All documents should be returned by 12 noon on the closing date - Wednesday 2nd October 2024 to jackie@includeyouth.org.

Submissions received after this time and date will not be accepted.

Interviews are likely to be held week beginning 14th October 2024

We look forward to hearing from you, and wish you all the best in your application and the process ahead.

For any queries please contact jackie@includeyouth.org

#### **Privacy Notice**

Include Youth (referred to as "the organisation" throughout this notice) collects and processes personal data relating to job applicants as part of our recruitment process. We are committed to being transparent about how we collect and use that data and to meeting our data protection obligations.

This notice sets out the basis on which we collect, use and disclose the personal data of our job applicants, as well as your rights in respect of such personal data.

#### What information does the organisation collect and how?

Include Youth collects a range of information about you. This includes:

- your name, address and contact details, including email address and telephone number;
- details of your qualifications, skills, experience and employment history;
- information from interviews and phone-screenings you may have;
- information about your current level of remuneration, including benefit entitlements; information about your entitlement to work in the UK;
- equal opportunities monitoring information, including information about your ethnic origin, sexual orientation, health and religion or belief.

We may collect this information in a variety of ways. For example, data might be contained in application forms or CVs (including when these are sent to us as part of speculative applications or queries), obtained from your passport or other identity documents, or collected through interviews or other methods of assessment. We may also collect personal data about you from third parties, such as references supplied by former employers. We will seek information from third parties only once a job offer has been made to you. Data will be stored in a range of different places, including on your application record, in our HR management systems and our email system.

#### Why does Include Youth process personal data?

Include Youth collects and processes your data for a number of purposes and where we have a legal basis to do so, as follows.

Include Youth has a legitimate interest in processing personal data during the recruitment process and for keeping records of the process. Processing data from job applicants allows us to manage the recruitment process, assess and confirm a candidate's suitability for employment and decide to whom to offer a job. We may also need to process data from job applicants to respond to and defend against legal claims. We will not use your data for any purpose other than the recruitment process of which you are a part

#### Who has access to data?

Your information may be shared internally within the organisation for the purposes of the recruitment process. This includes members of the HR team, interviewers involved in the recruitment process, and managers in the business area with a vacancy.

We will not share your data with third parties unless your application for employment is successful and an offer of employment is made. We will then share your data with former employers in order to obtain references. In addition, we may need to share your personal information with a regulator or otherwise to comply with the law.

#### How does Include Youth protect data?

Include Youth takes the security of your data seriously. We have internal policies and controls in place to ensure that your data is not lost, accidentally destroyed, misused or disclosed, and is not accessed except by our personnel in the proper performance of their duties.

#### For how long does Include Youth keep data?

If your application for employment is unsuccessful (including when you have speculatively applied to us in respect of a role which is not available), we will hold your data on file for 6 months. At the end of that period, your data is deleted or destroyed (unless we need to retain it for longer to exercise or defend any legal claims). If your application for employment is successful, personal data gathered during the recruitment process will be transferred to your personnel file and retained during your employment. The periods for which employee data is held will be provided to you in a separate privacy notice.

#### Your rights

As a data subject, you have a number of rights under data protection law. You can:

- access and obtain a copy of your data on request;
- request Include Youth to change incorrect or incomplete data;
- request Include Youth to delete or stop processing your data, for example where the data is no longer necessary for the purposes of processing;
- object to the processing of your data where Include Youth is relying on its legitimate interests as the legal ground for processing; or ask us to transfer your data to another organisation.

If you would like to exercise any of these rights or if you have any questions about this notice or our processing of your data more generally, please contact karin@includeyouth.org.

If you believe that the organisation has not complied with your data protection rights, you can complain to the Information Commissioner's Office.

#### What if you do not provide personal data?

You are under no statutory or contractual obligation to provide data to Include Youth during the recruitment process. However, if you do not provide the information, we may not be able to process your application. 

#### **Contact Details**

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