

COMPASSION YOUTH MENTOR



DEPARTMENT

Community Service – 3005

Work is completed at multiple CYM group locations in the Portland Metro Area

About Compassion Connect: Compassion Connect is a small but growing nonprofit organization with headquarters in Portland, Oregon. Our mission is to unite Jesus followers from local churches to love and serve their neighbors by addressing challenging issues such as child sexual exploitation and access to affordable health care. These issues are daunting, but by working together and channeling the unique gifts and skills of each individual in the body of Christ, we can make a difference.

QUALIFICATIONS

Must be eligible for Federal Work Study funding (refer to your Financial Aid Offer Letter on MyWP)

Basic Skills Required:

- Enjoys working with and being with people and youth; teamwork
- Has a desire to work with youth (ages 8-18). Prior experience in this area a bonus.
- Hospitable, kind, caring, and selfless
- Creative and organized
- Passionate and aligned with Compassion Connect's values

DUTIES

Position Description

Compassion Youth Mentoring (CYM) is Compassion Connect's anti-exploitation ministry. Our goal is to unite and equip volunteers from local churches to share God's love, build self-worth, and teach life skills to the courageous and resilient youth facing complex challenges which are often exploited by predators. As a mentor, you will help create a safe environment and build relationships with youth in our groups. You will also work alongside other mentors and volunteers to create and plan activities each week.

Key Responsibilities/ Projects

- Function as small project director and/or support in the areas of:
- Planning and collaborating with co-mentors and volunteers to create a safe and fun place for youth
- Initiating and planning activities, crafts, and discussions based on youth preferences and organizational goals (anti-trafficking discussions, internet safety, etc.)
- Working with the CYM Coordinator and other program leads to check in about specific groups
- Meeting and checking in regularly with co-mentors and volunteers to make sure you are all on the same page and unified
- Coming alongside youth and "doing life with them" by taking them out for coffee, texting them to see how they are doing, etc.
- Completing the needed paperwork and reading to become a CYM Mentor

Goals & Objectives

- Healthy and thriving Compassion Youth Mentoring groups
- Excited, loved, and cared for youth
- Supported co-mentors and volunteers
- Continued safe and loving spaces for youth to come and feel like they belong

COMPENSATION

Begins at Minimum Wage

HOURS

5-8 hours per week

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