

The Esther Project Volunteer Online Outreach Worker

Location: West Worthing, Yada office/remotely

Availability: Sessional on weekday afternoons - approx 1.5 hrs per week

Expected Commitment: Min. 6 months

Reporting to: The Esther Project Lead

Due to the nature of our work, our volunteer positions are open to female applicants only as being female is deemed to be a genuine occupational requirement under Schedule 9, Paragraph 1 of the Equality Act 2010.

Overview

Yada is a charity working to prevent sexual exploitation across coastal West Sussex through:

- The provision of support via our outreach service to women in the sex industry
- Education, training and awareness raising workshops to the community and other voluntary sector organisations
- Partnership working to improve access to specialist services.

As part of our work, Yada delivers The Esther Project (TEP), a free outreach service supporting women in the sex industry across coastal West Sussex. The project aims to increase safety, reduce isolation and improve the emotional well-being of its service users.

Main Responsibility:

Your main responsibility will be to work alongside a TEP staff member to conduct 'Netreach'

- Netreach is the process by which we contact local women in the sex industry to discuss the free support we can offer them
- Initially, you will be researching and inputting data from the session while a staff member conducts the calls
- During the session, signs of sexual exploitation is also monitored
- Having been trained, when office based, you will have the opportunity to make calls to women, offering them well-being packs, safety information and further support.
- If you are interested in supporting the team through events and workshops, opportunities will be available throughout the year.

Personal Development:

- Attend regular supervision provided by the Yada team
- Attend all training as necessary
- Ensure that any issues in relation to safeguarding are brought to the immediate attention of the TEP Lead/Yada Manager or, if unavailable, another member of the team.
- Be committed to learning about the issues surrounding the sex industry
- Be sympathetic to Yada's vision and the Christian ethos of the organisation.

Requirements:

TEP operates according to the three core conditions as set out in person-centred therapy: congruence, unconditional positive regard and empathy.

It is **essential** that you:

- Remain non-judgemental and do not pursue personal agenda
- Respond quickly to emergency or pressurised situations
- Understand the importance of confidentiality
- Work well in a team
- Are self-aware, and recognise the importance of self-care
- Communicate in fluent English (written and spoken)

Experience of working with women at risk and/or other relevant experience is desirable.

Training and induction will be provided and we actively encourage the continuous personal development of all our team.

As this role may require you handling sensitive information, you will be required to sign a confidentiality agreement.

A full DBS must be undertaken.

If you are interested or have any questions about the role, please contact Louise at louise@yadauk.org