



**POSITION AVAILABLE:**  
**Independent Living Coordinator**  
**Refugee & Immigrant Children's Program (RICP)**

*Lutheran Community Services Northwest, a non-profit, multi-service agency, has over 75 years of experience providing high quality services to meet the changing needs in our community. The North Puget Sound Area office provides foster care, counseling, refugee services, family support, and advocacy.*

*The youth served in the Refugee and Immigrant Children's Program have all fled persecution from countries in Africa, Asia, and Central America and lack family members to care for them in the United States. The program places children, mainly adolescents, in long-term foster homes and provides intensive supportive services to the youth and foster family. Learn more about the Refugee and Immigrant Children's program at [www.refugeechildren.net](http://www.refugeechildren.net).*

**The Independent Living Coordinator is responsible for developing and implementing independent living skills plans for refugee and immigrant youth transitioning from foster care to independent living.** Some of the essential duties and responsibilities include administering assessments and compiling the results for use; collaborating with social workers to develop plans and providing individualized instruction to youth; organizing and leading monthly training groups for youth; and maintaining comprehensive knowledge of applicable resources.

**EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

- Bachelor's Degree is required, preferably in social work, counseling, education, or related social services field
- Two years or more of experience in child welfare or working with immigrant and refugee populations is strongly preferred
- Experience leading groups and working with teens, as well as strong organizational skills is strongly preferred

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

Must have a current Washington State Driver License and auto insurance. Must demonstrate awareness and sensitivity in the delivery of client services as it relates to the cultural and socioeconomic characteristics of populations served by the program. Must possess the ability to make independent decisions when circumstances warrant such action. Must be able to enter and retrieve data using computer systems, systems applications, and other office equipment. Must be able to relate to and work with ill, disabled, emotionally upset, and at times hostile people.

Bilingual in English and Spanish, or another language spoken by clients, is preferred.

This position requires some evening and weekend hours.

**COMPENSATION**

Pay range is \$18.61 to \$19.75 per hour, depending on experience. Benefits include medical and dental, sick and vacation, and pension (after one year).

**APPLY**

Submit resume and cover letter **December 18, 2015** to [hrseattle@lcsnw.org](mailto:hrseattle@lcsnw.org); mail to HR, Lutheran Community Services NW, 115 NE 100<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200, Seattle, WA 98125; or fax to (206)694-5777. Please be sure to indicate which position you are applying for.

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