

LEITRIM DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

Leitrim Traveller Project

Traveller Support Officer

Job Description

Job Title: Traveller Support Officer

Role: Traveller Support Officer on the PEACEPLUS Traveller Community Programme under Theme 3: Celebrating Cultural Diversity.

About Leitrim Traveller Project: Leitrim Traveller project, managed by Leitrim Development Company, is in operation for over twenty years. We work in the areas of Early Years, Afterschool, Youth Group, Family support, Community Development and Primary Healthcare. Our values are respect, empowerment, social justice and inclusion.

Our vision is an empowered Traveller community living as equals in a society that recognises and respects Traveller culture and identity.

Job Summary: Working with the Traveller community in Leitrim, organising and facilitating programmes for PEACEPLUS Traveller Community Programme. Promoting Traveller identity and culture, advocacy and signposting young members of the Traveller community onto apprenticeships or training, creating a short film making project and promoting intercultural training for key agencies working with the Traveller Community.

Reporting to: Leitrim Traveller Project Co-ordinator

Location: Shannonside Community Centre, Carrick on Shannon, Co Leitrim.

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Your principal duties & responsibilities will be:

- Lead the work on the PEACEPLUS Traveller Community Programme.
- Mentor young Traveller men on pathways into training, education or apprenticeships.
- Set up workshops with an artist/filmmaker to work/create a short film with the youth group in Leitrim Traveller project.
- Organise small events in conjunction with relevant agencies on the PEACEPLUS programme.

- Establish inter cultural training with key service providers who work with the Traveller community in Leitrim.
- Facilitate groups through Leitrim Traveller project and the wider community where appropriate to PEACEPLUS.
- Align with Leitrim Traveller Project ethos, values, mission and policies.
- Comply with national policies that inform the work of Leitrim Traveller Project.
- Project monitoring and regular reporting on progress to steering committee and funding body

This list of duties is not exhaustive and will change in line with the ongoing development of Leitrim Integrated Development Company's operations and services.

Key Skills:

- Organisational and facilitation skills.
- Manages time and workload effectively.
- Ability to work on own initiative as well as part of a team.
- Experience of preparing reports and correspondence.
- Develops and maintains positive, productive and beneficial working relationships.
- Excellent IT, communication & interpersonal skills.
- Full Driver licence.

Qualifications

Level 7 (on the National framework of qualifications) qualification in Rural/Community Development/Youth or Peace Building or equivalent with a minimum of two years relevant work experience engaging with cultural and/or diversity related situations.

Duration

Full time 35 hours per week. Project will be commencing in Q4 2025 and be completed on the 31st of July 2027.

Salary

The starting salary for this position is €35,500 per annum.

Probation

There will be a period of probation

- (a) The period shall be six months but the CEO / Board may at their discretion extend such period.
- (c) The person appointed shall cease to hold the position at end of the period of probation unless during such period, the line manager / CEO has certified that the service of the person is satisfactory.

Format of the Competition

In order to apply please submit a letter of application and a current Curriculum Vitae, by email to admin@ldco.ie by 12 noon on Tuesday the 25th of November.

Please note shortlisting may apply and this will be on the basis of the information which you provide in your application. Leitrim Development Company is an equal opportunities employer. **Canvassing will disqualify.**