



**Job Title:** In-House and Community Occupational Therapist

**Reports to:** Clinical Director

**Job type:** Part-time

**Job Description:**

91 Place is a transitional home for youth experiencing homelessness on the near-east side of Indianapolis, and serves youth ages 16-24. 91 Place recently opened a therapy center called The Haven, and is hiring a part time Occupational Therapist to serve residents and community members.

This position is a vital component of our programming, and serves the overall goal of diverting youth out of generational poverty and homelessness by developing their essential skills for independent living. The position will aim to develop residents' interpersonal communication and social skills, problem solving skills, stress management skills, coping skills, goal setting, employment, fiscal management, occupational balance, and wellness skills.

The basic functions of this role are to provide therapeutic interventions in both 1:1 and group settings through a holistic, evidence-based, and trauma-informed care lens on a weekly basis to 91 Place Residents and community members. This role will primarily serve youth experiencing or at-risk of homelessness. Clients typically range in age from 14-30 years old. All services are provided in accordance with professional ethics and boundaries.

**Objectives of this Role:**

- Administer a pre-posttest design. Data will be collected using Occupational Circumstances Assessment Interview and Rating Scale (OCAIRS). Participants will also be given a 10 question Likert- scale survey to gather additional data.
- Provide therapeutic interventions in both 1:1 and group settings in the office, home or community setting.
- Create and implement simple, but sustainable programming that volunteers and staff will be able to implement with the residents of 91 Place and community members.
- Create and provide interventions in identified areas of need, including, but not limited to, the development of coping skills, emotional regulation, self-regulation, increasing self-efficacy, increasing self-esteem, promoting occupational balance, decreasing occupational deprivation,



time management, rebuilding and building positive relationships, and the development of executive functioning skills.

- Adapt methods and interventions as needed per client's needs/presenting symptoms.
- Complete appropriate evaluations and provide these to the client along with an appropriate review of the evaluation with the client.
- Responsible for completing case notes and treatment plans , via secure HIPPA Compliant platform.
- Maintain regular contact with external community providers concerning coordination of care, as required, through phone calls, emails, face-to-face meetings etc.
- Refer clients to supportive services to supplement treatment and counseling, as needed.
- Participate in house-meetings to inform 91 Place Staff, how clients' mental health may be impacting their functioning in other aspects of life, and provide techniques to help the client and staff in other programming areas.
- Develop community based activities that can help develop coping skills, emotional regulation, self-regulation, increasing self-efficacy, increasing self-esteem, promoting occupational balance, decreasing occupational deprivation, time management, rebuilding and building positive relationships, and the development of executive functioning skills for members of the community.
- Attend 91 Place events, such as fundraisers, open house, holiday events, house dinner etc.
- Engage in continuing education regarding trauma, homelessness, and Occupational Therapy related topics as it applies to our population.

### **Skills and Qualifications:**

- Masters or PhD in Occupational Therapy.
- Maintain licensure as required by the state of Indiana.
- Experience working with homeless or at-risk individuals.
- Experience working with teenagers and young adults.
- Experience working providing both individual and group interventions.
- Clear AHCA Level II Background Screening.
- Strong knowledge of trauma and the neurological impacts of trauma.
- Strong knowledge of non-behavioral based, neurodivergent affirming interventions and approaches.
- Ability to think out-side of the box and provide creative interventions.
- Ability to work well independently and as a team.



- Ability to cultivate relationships with community members and other professionals in our community.
- Ability to understand and follow directions from supervisors, as well as comply with agency and county directives, state laws, licensing rules and regulations, and certification standards.
- Maintain electronic case records that are in accordance with HIPAA guidelines and other federal and state regulations.
- Demonstrates excellent verbal skills (essential to communicate clearly with clients and other staff members) and ability to adapt language to meet the developmental level of clients, which may differ throughout the therapeutic relationship.
- Ability to read and understand clinical reports and professional literature.
- Demonstration of licensure free from any record of ethics and boundaries sanctions or reports of any type of client abuse.
- Worked with at-risk or youth experiencing homelessness previously

**Additional Notes:**

- This role is part time (10 hours per week) and does not provide health insurance or paid time off. There is no weekly or monthly productivity requirement and the caseload will be determined by the clinic director and CPO.
- Onsite supervision provided by LCSW.
- Trauma Informed and supportive work environment .