



# POSITION:Youth Services CoordinatorPROGRAM:Chicago Hearing Society (CHS)

# Anixter Center – What We Do- Who We Are:

Anixter Center has proudly served hundreds of thousands of people in the Chicago area since 1919. Today, we focus our work on serving people with disabilities, behavioral health needs, and people who are Deaf, DeafBlind, or Hard of Hearing through a variety of programs. Annually, Anixter services touch more than 7,000 individuals, some on a daily basis and others for more time-limited support. Our emphasis is on providing people the supports they need to allow each person to live as independently as possible, a member of his/her natural community.

# \*We offer a competitive benefit package, including Medical, Dental, Vision, STD, LTD, Life, & 401k\*

#### SUMMARY

Manages and guides Youth Services for Chicago Hearing Society under the following headings.

# Adult Role Models in Education of the Deaf (A.R.M.E.D.):

- Recruit deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing individuals
- Develop and distribute ARMED Request Form to Chicago Public Schools and surrounding suburban schools and Coordinate and schedule ARMED presentations.

### Connections, Deaf Mentor Program:

- Recruit deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing adults and train them to become Mentors and provide homebased services to families with deaf, deafblind, and hard of hearing children, age birth to 22 years.
- > Provide support and resources to Mentors and families as needed.

### Youth/ Teen Outings:

- > Plan several structured activities for deaf, hard of hearing and deaf-blind children every month.
- > Arrange transportation services for participants.

### Leadership Workshop:

- > Provide one-day workshop for deaf, hard of hearing and deaf-blind high school teens.
- Coordinate activities with Illinois Service Resource Center (ISRC) and Gallaudet University Regional Center Midwest (GURC), co-sponsoring organizations.

#### **Outreach to Parents and Professionals:**

- > Represent CHS at parent events and networking groups to inform them of program activities.
- Provide information and referrals.
- Work with professionals through CHOICES to reach parents of children recently identified as having a hearing loss.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- Fluency in American Sign Language, knowledge of Deaf Culture required.
- > Minimum of 2 years work experience in the Deaf and Hard of Hearing communities
- Management skills: the ability to organize and manage multiple priorities
- Must possess a valid driver's license and have access to an operational vehicle to transport self to various locations throughout Chicago metro area and collar counties.
- > Computer proficient

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