



**Date Posted:
May 18, 2010**

FULL-TIME STAFF ATTORNEY

Based in TeamChild's **Yakima County** office with service delivery and satellite office presence in **Benton and Franklin Counties**

POSITION: TeamChild is seeking a full-time staff attorney to assist in implementing a three-year grant funded project that expands our services to youth in Benton and Franklin counties. This position is made possible through a grant from the Center for Children and Youth Justice (www.ccyj.org) and has a focus on addressing the needs of Latino youth who are not attending school. Primary job duties include community outreach and representation of youth who are at risk of or already involved in the juvenile justice system to help address their education, housing, and health care needs. The position will be based in our Yakima office with a service delivery focus and satellite presence in Benton and Franklin Counties.

QUALIFICATIONS: We are seeking candidates with strong legal advocacy skills who have strong organizational and administrative skills, work well both independently and as a team member, are respectful and open to working with people from diverse backgrounds, enjoy creative problem solving, value the creation of relationships across disciplines, and are enthusiastic about being a part of an innovative method of advocacy. Additional qualifications include:

- Exceptional legal skills, preferably in the relevant areas of law (school discipline/special education, Medicaid/EPST, delinquency, child welfare, or other areas of youth law)
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Oral Spanish language proficiency (listening and speaking skills) preferred, but not required
- Member in good standing of the Washington State Bar Association or eligible for reciprocity
- Experience working with young people, especially 12-18 year olds
- Demonstrated competence in working with diverse clients and client communities
- Connections to Benton and Franklin Counties
- Ability to travel for outreach and satellite office presence in Benton-Franklin counties
- Demonstrated ability to collaborate effectively with other advocates and social service providers
- Sense of humor a plus

SALARY AND BENEFITS: Salary dependent upon experience. Generous benefits included.

TEAMCHILD: TeamChild is a Washington State nonprofit civil legal services program for youth with offices in King, Pierce, Spokane, Snohomish and Yakima Counties. TeamChild works closely with public defenders, probation officers and others in the juvenile justice system, and provides legal representation to youth about their rights to education, Medicaid, safe and stable housing, mental health treatment, and other social services. TeamChild is a nationally recognized, innovative interdisciplinary model of advocacy that works to secure community-based services for young people, with the goal of addressing many of the problems underlying behaviors that might lead to their arrest.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- Mail or email your letter of interest and resume to: Anne Lee, Executive Director, TeamChild, 1225 South Weller St., Suite 420, Seattle, WA 98144 or jobs@teamchild.org.
- Interviews will be held as early as the first week of June in TeamChild's Yakima office.
- Position is open until filled, but applicants are strongly urged to apply before May 31, 2010.
- Questions? Call (206) 322-2444, ext. 102.

TeamChild is committed to promoting an environment free of barriers and discriminatory practices for its clients, Board and staff.

Offices in King ♦ Pierce ♦ Snohomish ♦ Spokane ♦ Yakima Counties

1225 South Weller, Suite 420, Seattle, WA 98144 ♦ Phone (206) 322-2444 ♦ Fax (206) 381-1742 ♦ www.teamchild.org