

Project Partnership Lead – Weave Partnership

An exciting opportunity has become available to join Families Outside as our Project Partnership Lead for the Weave Partnership. If you are experienced and passionate about working in partnership and developing the infrastructure to make a lasting difference for families impacted by imprisonment, we want to hear from you.

This role works closely with the Families Outside Director of Services, the Family Support Team, and the Weave Partnership, funded by the Scottish Government's Whole Family Support Fund. The Weave Partnership is made up of One Parent Families Scotland, Relationships Scotland (along with their 21 Member Services), Families Outside, and Fife Gingerbread - four organisations whose capabilities are complementary, whose values are shared, and whose combined reach would create something new and unique that none of our organisations could achieve alone. The partnership aims to deliver sustained, measurable improvements for single-parent families across Scotland through holistic, place-based whole-family support and, using the new 'My Life and Me' framework, it will create a 'no wrong door' approach.

Role Summary:

- **Hours:** 21 hours per week
- **Contract:** Funded through the Scottish Government Whole Family Support Fund through March 2027 in the first instance, with extension through March 2029 to be confirmed with the Scottish Government Budget
- **Starting salary:** Families Outside Scale Points 34-37 and updated annually subject to appraisal and where funds allow. Starting salary £34,498 pro rata (0.6FTE = £20,699)
- **Probation period:** A probationary period of 6 months will apply.
- **Location:** Families Outside Head Office, Edinburgh, with scope for hybrid working. Requires national (Scotland) travel, particularly to Weave Partnership Hubs in Ayrshire and Falkirk.

Staff Benefits:

- 25 flexible leave days plus 10 public holidays (pro rata)
- 4% matched contribution workplace pension scheme
- Hybrid & flexible working
- Employee Assistance Programme (Health Assured)
- Cycle to Work Scheme
- Laptop and mobile phone for all staff

The Role:

At Families Outside, we're the only national charity in Scotland working solely to support families affected by imprisonment. Joining the Weave Partnership alongside lead partner One Parent Families Scotland, Relationships Scotland, and Fife Gingerbread, the Project Partnership Lead provides the key role to oversee and develop Families Outside's role within this project. They will:

- Coordinate Families Outside's involvement in the Weave Partnership at a delivery level.
- Lead the development of evaluation, data capture, and the database in relation to family support, embedding shared Weave Partnership criteria into data gathering and reporting.
- Develop relationships to raise awareness of the Partnership, referral processes, and access to relevant resources for families.
- Engage with key agencies to embed a Whole Family approach and prevention of child poverty.

About You:

We are looking for an individual who is:

- Experienced in working with partner agencies and in developing robust processes for data collection, recording, and evaluation
- Rights-focused and trauma-informed in their work and all they do
- Skilled and knowledgeable in working with people to overcome challenges they face in their day-to-day lives
- A confident and effective contributor to working in partnership with others to meet families' needs
- Willing and able to travel throughout Scotland to develop and promote the project

If you are an experienced professional with skills in partnership working, data capture, and cross-agency collaboration and are passionate about making a difference for families impacted by imprisonment, then we want to hear from you.

About Us

Families Outside is the only national charity in Scotland that works solely to support families affected by imprisonment. Imprisonment can often have a huge impact on the things that matter most to families: money and secure housing, safe and connected relationships at home and in the community, and the emotional health and wellbeing of families. Families Outside is dedicated to providing a range of practical, social, and emotional support to people with someone in prison that are relationship-based, prison-aware, and family-focused.

How to Apply

Details can also be found **here** <https://www.familiesoutside.org.uk/about-us/recruitment/project-partnership-lead/>

Please submit your application in Word format to HR@familiesoutside.org.uk. Please do not convert it to a PDF.

Informal enquiries are welcome, please contact Jacky Close, Director of Services, on 07375 934960. Alternatively, you can email hr@familiesoutside.org.uk for further discussion about the post.

Closing date for applications: Monday 5th October, 12 noon.

Interviews will be held in our Edinburgh office at 17 Gayfield Square, EH1 3NX, on Wednesday the 21st of October 2026.