Playspace and Learning Center in central Harlem seeks **experienced volunteers** to support staff for a 15 week pilot project (4/15/19 - 7/27/19). The playspace may continue in the fall.

Description

The *Playspace and Learning Center* is a pilot project of a planned Early Childhood Center (ECC) in Harlem. Housed in the large, street level room of a brownstone on East 129th street, it is designed to be a free, appealing, safe, developmentally appropriate, facilitated play space where children 0 - 3 can explore their environment accompanied by their parents/caregivers who can learn how to be their child's first teachers.

We are seeking individuals who love young children and want to make a difference in their lives. Our organization is dedicated to providing a safe, quality, and enriching environment for children and families.

Volunteer Job description

Volunteers will be expected to support facilitators in the playspace as they:

- Model the use of developmentally appropriate activities and materials
- Support caregiver engagement
- Promote children's sense of security and attachment
- Follow the daily plan for activities and appropriate materials
- Re-set the playspace after every session

Required

- A minimum of one year direct experience with children 0 3 from Early Head Start, Daycare, Pre-school or similar program, and/or direct nannying or parenting experience
- Background check
- A love of young children and a commitment to the mission of the Playspace and Learning Center

Part-time position: up to 9 hours a week, for 15 weeks, April 15 - July 27th, in three, 3-hour sessions (two weekday sessions - one morning, one afternoon - and one Saturday morning session - hours to be determined.)

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