

South Shore Resource and Advocacy Center

Job Posting for Fulltime (35 hrs) Bi-lingual Domestic Violence Community Based Advocate

South Shore Resource and Advocacy Center (formally South Shore Resource and Advocacy Center) is dedicated to providing services to individuals and families whose lives are impacted by domestic violence, homicide bereavement and survivors of impaired driving accidents. SSRAC is committed to comprehensive services to survivors, including: crisis intervention, advocacy, support, individual and support groups, case management and community education and training. All services are free and confidential. SSRAC is committed to providing services that are free from bias regarding gender, orientation, identity, national origin or ability.

Title: Full Time (35 hours)) Bi-lingual Domestic Violence Community Based Advocate

Reports To: Coordinator of Community Based Program

General Description: Provide a continuum of services including crisis intervention, safety planning, supportive counseling, case management and advocacy to survivors of domestic violence as well as community outreach. Work effectively with underserved communities, such as non-English speaking survivors, refugees/immigrants, LGBTQ individuals, and youth. Advocacy will include community based outreach, working with veterans and veteran programming, and providing bi-lingual advocacy to non- English speaking survivors in need of services.

Responsibilities:

Co-facilitate community based support group for survivors; Provide community based advocacy, crisis intervention, information, referrals and safety planning ; Participate in community meetings, forums, trainings and collaborations as required; Provide outreach and education to social service providers and the general community about domestic violence and related services; Collaborate with child protective services, law enforcement, health care providers, culturally specific organizations, and other community providers to identify and address the needs of diverse groups of survivors; Prepare weekly, monthly and quarterly statistical reports as required by funding sources and SSRAC; Other duties as assigned

Qualifications:

Experience and understanding of trauma and working with survivors of domestic violence using an empowerment model; commitment to social justice and ability to understand advocacy work within that context; understanding child protection and criminal justice agencies; excellent communication skills, *both written and verbal.*; Valid MA driver's license and clean driving record; Good organizational and computer /data entry skills.;

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

Working knowledge of community resources including housing programs, and knowledge and experience in advocating for clients. Possess the ability to educate and empower clients to advocate for themselves and a clear understanding of the unique circumstances surrounding homelessness due to domestic violence. Applicant will feel comfortable speaking in public and have a comfort working with community members and ability to work under stress and in crisis related situations. Must have fluency in one or more of the following: Spanish, Portuguese, Cape Verdean, or Haitian Creole.

REQUIRED TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Jane Doe DV & SA trainings completed.

Equivalent life experience will be considered in lieu of a degree.

Knowledge and experience in working in a community based setting.

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