

DOMESTIC ABUSE PROJECT OF DELAWARE COUNTY, INC. 14 West Second Street

Media, PA 19063

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Mission: The Domestic Abuse Project of Delaware County (DAP) works to prevent domestic violence and empower victims to move towards self-sufficiency.

Title: Counselor

Classification: Full-time, Professional, Exempt

Location: Media Office

Supervisor: Counseling Manager

Purpose:

The Counselor supports the mission of the DAP by providing crisis and supportive counseling on the hotline and in-person. The Counselor position is a full-time (35 hours per week) position. Evening hours required. Supervisory responsibilities based on experience.

Essential Duties:

- Deliver crisis intervention, safety planning, and ongoing counseling, to individuals who have experienced domestic violence through the 24-hour hotline and in-person
- Identify opportunities to provide relocation and other services
- Develop individual safety and services plans
- Facilitate support groups and financial workshops
- Assist with safe house intake as needed
- Provide on-call support as needed
- Supervise counseling intern tasks
- Timely completion of chart documentation
- Timely submission of monthly counseling statistics
- Maintain knowledge of other service providers so as to be able to provide appropriate information and referrals
- Work cooperatively with other DAP staff to ensure holistic response and service delivery
- Participate in counseling and organizational staff meetings

Qualifications and Competencies:

- Strong interpersonal and communication skills, including active listening
- Support effective resolution of complex or sensitive disagreements or conflicts
- Ability to build constructive working relationships characterized by a high level of acceptance, cooperation, and mutual respect
- Ability to work well independently, setting high standards of performance for self and assuming responsibility and accountability for successful completion of assignments or tasks

- Ability to work well with others, promoting commitment within the team to achieve goals and objectives
- Interest in delivering trauma-informed human services in a complex environment, placing a high value on creating an environment that embraces and appreciates diversity
- Maintain confidentiality and earn through and respect through consistent honesty and professionalism in all interactions
- Knowledge of the dynamics of domestic violence, understanding of the social service system, and experience in crisis intervention in a residential setting preferred
- Masters degree in social work or counseling preferred

Work Environment:

• Work is primarily performed in as office setting or within secured residential safe house

Other Requirements:

- Successful completion of required organizational training
- Satisfactory Criminal Background Check and other organizationally required clearances

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