



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
& SEXUAL ASSAULT

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Volunteer & Internship Opportunities

For further detailed information on any of these opportunities and how to get started,
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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Activity Coordinator - Children

Need: Volunteer Application, References, Resume, Background Check.

Time Commitment: Flexible. One-time or on-going. Any number of shifts may be taken during Monday - Friday 10:00am - 6:00pm.

Purpose/Impact: The Activity Coordinator is responsible for creating and doing activities for the children living in safe shelter. Positive interactions with adult role models is vital for children who have experienced trauma and are in a transition to a life without abuse.

Activity Coordinator - Women

Need: Volunteer Application, References, Resume, Background Check.

Time Commitment: Flexible. One-time or on-going. Any number of shifts may be taken during Monday-Friday 10:00am - 6:00pm.

Purpose/Impact: The Activity Coordinator is responsible for creating and doing activities with the women in safe shelter that will enhance skills and build self-esteem. Positive interaction with peer role models is vital to assist women in the transition from crisis to stability.

Court Advocate Assistant - Clerical

Need: Volunteer Application, References, Resume, Background Check.

Time Commitment: Flexible. Available shifts Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm.

Purpose/Impact: The Court Advocate Assistant assists the program's Court Advocates with filing, scanning, courtesy calls, and data entry. This position is important to make sure all clients can be served in a timely manner and have access to legal measures to help keep them safe.

Crisis Line Advocate - Sexual Assault

Need: Volunteer Application, References, Resume, Background Check

Time Commitment: Must be willing to commit to the program for at least 3 months. Shifts are flexible. Must be able to take a minimum of 2 on-call/as needed shifts per month.

Purpose/Impact: The purpose of the Crisis Line Advocate is to answer calls from the community that pertain to sexual assault and our program services. This volunteer will help clients with the resources needed to make effective decisions and assist clients in navigating crisis.

Hospital Advocate - Sexual Assault

Need: Volunteer Application, References, Resume, Background Check

Time Commitment: Must be willing to commit to the program for at least 3 months. Shifts are flexible. Must be able to take a minimum of 2 on-call/as needed shifts per month.

Purpose/Impact: The Hospital Advocate responds to victims that come into the county's emergency rooms taking on-call shifts. This volunteer will help clients with the resources needed to cope with assault, advocate for clients with law enforcement and medical personnel, and assist victims in navigating crisis.

Nutrition Supporter

Need: Application, References, Background Check

Time Commitment: Available shifts are Monday - Friday 3:00pm - 6:00pm. Prefer a 3 month commitment to the program.

Purpose/Impact: The Nutrition Supporter has the important job of helping women and children make healthy eating choices to support healthy growth. Often during crisis, women do not have time or energy to prepare nutritious meals; the Nutrition Supporter comes in and takes that responsibility off of the women's shoulders while also directly or indirectly teaching them valuable cooking skills they can take with them after they leave the shelter.

*Service Groups

Need: For one-time service groups we need a group volunteer application and confidentiality contracts.

Time Commitment: One time service work available Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm, some weekend work available.

*Community Service Workers

Need: Volunteer Application, Background Check

Time Commitment: On an as needed basis between Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm. We do not always have community service work available, but when we do, we are happy to allow you to come in.

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Internships are an invaluable experience. We are delighted to have eager, competent students gain hands on experience and new skills as they complete their degrees and work their way into the workforce. We offer several internship positions each semester for a variety of fields of study. We recommend applying for an internship as early as possible, as we fill up quickly.

Internship Application Process:

- ✓ Call the Volunteer & Community Outreach Coordinator to inquire about an internship.
- ✓ Complete a Volunteer/Intern Application, obtain 3 written references, and provide a copy of your resume' and your university internship requirements.
- ✓ Negotiate a time with the Volunteer & Community Outreach Coordinator to sit down for an interview.

Possible Fields of Study to complete an internship with our program:

- Child Development & Family Studies
- Community & Public Health
- Counseling (Practicum and Internship)
- Criminal Justice / Pre-Law
- Nutrition
- Organizational Communications
- Social Work (Field 1 and/or Field 2, BSW and MSW)