

TITLE: Bilingual Housing/Out-Stationed Advocate PROGRAM: Direct Services REPORTS TO: Executive Director and Direct Services Program Coordinator EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Full-time

SUMMARY

HAVEN from Domestic and Sexual Violence is accepting applications for a full-time Bilingual DV Housing/Out-Stationed Advocate. The position spends a portion of working hours at the HAVEN office and a portion of working hours out-stationed at the Department of Human Services (DHS District 9). The DV Specialist will work with survivors and work collaboratively with local community partners to ensure accessible, meaningful services for underserved populations living in rural and frontier communities.

Grounded in social justice and the movement to end violence against women, HAVEN is a social service agency serving survivors of domestic violence, sexual violence, teen dating violence, stalking, and human trafficking. Located in The Dalles along the scenic Columbia River, HAVEN from Domestic & Sexual Violence prioritizes work/life balance for its employees, emphasizing self-care and trauma-informed modes of practice for both staff and those HAVEN serves. While the organization began in 1981 in the form of a 24 hour crisis-line and network of volunteers to support victims, HAVEN is now a distinguished anti-violence agency with innovative programming to serve survivors of violence from a social-ecological framework that addresses all aspects of survivors' lives and works to support survivors in their healing journeys.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

The Bilingual DV Housing/Out-Stationed Advocate Fis responsible for delivery of trauma-informed supportive services to survivors of domestic/dating violence, sexual violence, stalking and human trafficking. Additionally, this person will be responsible to support survivors in accessing safe, stable housing through individual and systems advocacy and will work to increase DHS staff's capacity for responding to the health and safety needs of survivors through case consultation, education and training.

The specialist will:

- work collaboratively with HAVEN staff and DHS to ensure accessible, meaningful services for survivors of violence, especially those involved in DHS cases
- attend community partner and HAVEN meetings
- participate on local committees, coalitions, and professional networks related to the scope of the position
- collect qualitative and quantitative data for reporting purposes and complete required reports
- participate in grant required trainings and webinars
- advocate for survivors of violence holistically and provide myriad advocacy services (i.e., accompaniment to various appointments related to survivor's case, referring survivors to other community partner organizations as needs arise, assist survivors in completing and submitting court documents and other documents related to survivor's case, etc.)
- provide emotional support for any survivor of IPV needing safe and stable housing

QUALIFICATIONS

• Associate's and/or Bachelor's degree in the fields of: social work, social science, sociology, psychology, human services, health sciences, public health, and other fields related to the scope of the position— preferred but not required

- prior experience in social justice and/or domestic violence and sexual assault advocacy—preferred but not required (training is provided within and outside of the agency)
- experience working with or within DHS
- basic understanding of the dynamics and effects of interpersonal violence—preferred but not required
- effective communication skills and ability to work collaboratively with colleagues and community partner agencies
- basic knowledge of computer science (i.e. Microsoft Office software, Google Apps, etc.)
- Spanish and English language skills preferred

WAGE & BENEFITS

\$14.00 - \$18.00 hourly, depending on experience Health & Dental benefits available Flexible schedule

Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

In the event that there are not otherwise qualified candidates available for assignment, candidates with credentials that do not yet meet the agency minimum qualifications may be considered for the position with certain stipulations. The candidate must actively pursue needed training and credentials and is expected to fulfill the minimum requirements within six months.

For more information or to request an application please contact Tara Koch, Executive Director at 541-296-2065. Candidate may also email resume to tara@haventhedalles.org or mail to:

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