



Victim Advocate

We are seeking a victim advocate to plan, coordinate, and provide leadership for our activities to support victims of violence. Victim advocates provide services and support to victims, establish and maintain relationships with our partners, and offer responsible leadership to support the organization. Victim advocates are expected to represent our organization in collaborating with social justice advocates, criminal justice experts, law enforcement, educators, families, businesses, faith-based organizations, and community-based organizations.

JOB DUTIES

- Conduct outreach; share resources; and identify emerging research on crime victims' initiatives, mental health, and other social services.
- Organize special events and promotions advocating healing and wellness alternatives and conduct information sessions about our agency's services.
- Respond to all referrals from our partner agencies and work with them to identify victims of violence.
- Provide services to at least 40 victims, including offering mental health and wellness services.
- Recruit volunteer residents from the local community to support identification of local victims of violence.
- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, and maintain effective working relationships with clients and partners.

REQUIRED SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

- Associate's degree or equivalent from an accredited college or certification in professional community intervention or related field.
- Three years of experience managing victim services operations, including one year of experience in a social justice setting.
- Knowledge of the operational characteristics, services, and activities of a comprehensive victim services program.
- Understanding of processes for creating and vetting available free and low-cost services.
- Experience with organizational and management practices for evaluating programs, policies, and operational needs.

This position is a necessary component of community violence intervention strategies including: street outreach programs, hospital-based violence intervention programs, peace fellowships, and crisis management systems.

For more information on this job type, contact the Health Alliance for Violence Intervention or the Community-Based Public Safety Collective.