



Domestic & Sexual Violence Advocate

Position Title: Advocate

Description: This position will work to advocate on behalf of those who are experiencing or have experienced domestic and sexual violence, exploitation and trafficking in Nobles and Rock counties.

Location: Luverne, MN Hours: Part-time, 24 hours/week Reports to: Assistant Director Responsibilities

Direct Services:

- Provide advocacy, support, crisis intervention, case information and referral services to individuals who have experienced sexual
 and domestic violence, exploitation and trafficking.
- Assess individual needs and cultural considerations while providing trauma-informed advocacy
- Provide assistance and advocacy to individuals during: hospital exams, police investigations, court proceedings, and meetings with system personnel and others in accordance with the policies and best practices of the SWCC.
- · Maintain high level of knowledge about services available to individuals in the community and provide access to those services
- Facilitate/coordinate discussion and education groups for victims/survivors
- Provide access to transportation
- Provide safe housing for victims and children (and pets, if applicable)
- · Maintain and ensure confidentiality and follow agency/state policies on requirements related to mandated reporting
- Be part of the on-call rotation for the 24-hour Safe Line

Reporting:

- Document contact and services provided.
- · Assist in annual reporting
- Make mandated reports as needed in cases of suspected child abuse or child neglect to Child Protection.

Collaboration and Outreach

- Participate in collaborative meetings as approved by supervisor.
- Maintain SWCC presence in the county by:
 - o Making sure community agencies are provided with updated brochures and Safe Line cards on a consistent basis.
 - $\circ \quad \text{Conducting outreach presentations to professionals and community members about SWCC services}$
 - Perform other duties as assigned by the Executive and/or Assistant Directors

Qualifications:

- · Knowledge of the intersections between child abuse, sexual abuse, domestic violence, and trauma.
- Knowledge and understanding of how trauma impacts healing on an individual level and cultural level.
- Possess a strong sensitivity to a wide variety of cultures and beliefs, even if different from one's own and ability to relate to people
 of diverse backgrounds.
- · Knowledge of the systems designed to serve individuals who have experienced domestic and sexual violence and their children.
- Ability to understand the services, policies and procedures used by criminal justice, family court, human service and healthcare systems.
- Demonstrated ability to negotiate and facilitate collaborative responses for victims of domestic abuse.
- Possess a strong sense of professionalism as it relates to confidentiality and interactions with co-workers, systems professionals, and other staff
- Ability to be self-motivated, take direction, and have open communication with colleagues
- Understanding of the dynamics of self-care and the ability to recognize your own needs as it relates to a work-life balance.
- · Ability to use a computer including programs such as Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook and to draft correspondence.
- · Ability to work flexible hours and be part of 24-hour on call rotation
- Ability to travel within a 60-mile radius
- Successful completion of a criminal background check

Preferences:

- We welcome individuals who have experienced sexual exploitation/trafficking, domestic violence and/or sexual assault
- Ability to read and write in a language common to the area other than English

To Apply

Fill out the SWCC APPLICATION—found on our website (mnswcc.org) along with your Resume, Cover Letter, and at least 3 professional references to—Kari Voss-Drost, Southwest Crisis Center, PO Box 111, Worthington MN or kari@mnswcc.org



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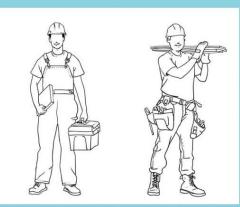
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