Company Name
United Action for Youth

Position Title
Rural Victim Services Counselor

Position Description
Name: United Action for Youth
Location: IA-Iowa City

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Description: Full-time position - $35,000 starting salary, plus benefits that include health insurance, flex spending, life/disability, paid vacation, holidays, sick leave, wellness program and retirement. Position to begin July 1, 2016.

Qualifications:
Minimum of a Master’s Degree in Mental Health Counseling or related field. Must have a valid driver's license.

Basic Functions and Responsibilities:
Under the supervision of the UAY Counseling Coordinator provide counseling, crisis intervention, and supportive services to victims of child abuse, maltreatment, and other crimes within four rural Johnson County Area Schools, as well as coordinate such services with other agencies and departments. Counselor must have a master’s degree in Mental Health Counseling or related field.

Characteristic Duties and Responsibilities:
1. Maintain an active caseload of clients composed of identified victims of crime in the four designated school districts. The counselor will provide services one day a week at each school.
2. Provide crisis intervention to victims to address their urgent physical and emotional needs and make referrals for emergency medical attention, legal intervention, and temporary shelter as appropriate.
3. Provide ongoing confidential counseling and therapy individually or in groups, to victims that assists them in problems resulting from particular acts of abuse or patterns of abusive behavior. Such counseling shall particularly address rebuilding self-esteem, understanding the victimization process, and increasing the problem solving skills of clients.
4. The counselor will receive training on Adverse Childhood Experiences, Trauma Informed Care and complete Victims Assistance Training Online. The Counselor will provide presentations in ACES, Trauma Informed Care, and youth victimization issues to school district staff at each of the schools. The counselor will also make presentations to youth at the schools about issues affecting them, such as consent, healthy relationships, bullying, and other victim’s issues.
5. Coordinate UAY victim services with other area providers including the County Attorney’s office, law enforcement, Department of Human Services, Domestic Violence Project, Rape Advocacy Program, Four Oaks, and the Department of Public Safety. Make and accept referrals as determined by client needs which include advocacy and transportation.
6. Maintain records and pertinent information in a confidential manner regarding victims served, type of abuse encountered, and specific services provided. Maintain case files that include treatment plans, session case notes, intakes, and other pertinent case material.

7. Participate in activities and community events that address the general needs of child abuse victims or that promote improved understanding of child abuse.

Related Duties:
- Participate in the UAY on-call rotation to provide 24 hour response to crime victims, their non-offending family members and others in crisis.
- Provide consultation and in-service training for other UAY staff.
- Participate in weekly clinical supervision with the Counseling Coordinator.
- Attend bi-weekly All Staff meetings.

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How to Apply

Send resume and cover letter to: UAYjobs@unitedactionforyouth.org

Start Run Date

5/18/16