Emergency Services Case Manager

Laurel Advocacy and Referral Services, Inc. (LARS) is a non-profit organization located in Laurel, Maryland. For close to 30 years, we have supported homeless and low-income people in the Greater Laurel area by enabling those who are in crisis to achieve stability and long-term self-sufficiency. Please visit www.laureladvocacy.org to learn more.

We envision a community that treats all people with dignity and helps everyone meet their basic needs. We are currently seeking a dynamic, organized, and passionate individual for the position of Emergency Services Case Manager. This individual will provide crisis case management to clients seeking emergency assistance and support agency outreach efforts. This is a part-time position, and the required work hours are Monday from 8:30 am -7:30 pm, and Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30 am -3:30 pm.

Primary Responsibilities:

- 1. Meet with and assess needs of individual clients and families;
- 2. Through consultation with LARS personnel and area agencies, develop a case plan to meet clients' identified needs;
- 3. Document client services on Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS) and other LARS databases within 24 hours of interaction;
- 4. Maintain organized records for grants used to assist crisis center clients;
- 5. Prepare bags of food for clients and help maintain LARS food pantry operations;
- 6. Develop and maintain working relationships with community stakeholders;
- 7. Provide outreach on Monday nights to homeless clients residing at the Laurel Winter Shelter (program runs November March).

Additional Responsibilities:

- 1. Attend meetings as approved or designated by supervisor.
- 2. Work every Monday evening until 7:30pm (Wednesday evening when a Holiday falls on a Monday).
- 3. Lifting up to 50 pounds, and carrying the weight for short distances that include steps;
- 4. Other related tasks as assigned by supervisor.

Education/ Licensure Requirements:

• Bachelor's Degree in any Human Service Field, preferably social work.

Experience Necessary/Desired:

- Understanding of crisis intervention;
- Excellent interpersonal, communication, and writing skills
- Ability to work with diverse populations, including women, minorities, elderly;
- Capability to work with mentally ill/substance abusing populations in respectful and compassionate non-judgmental manner;

- Familiarity with resources for clients in the Greater Laurel area (preferred).
- Able to work independently and collaboratively;
- Intermediate computer skills (Microsoft Office, word processing, internet searching, etc);
- Pass criminal background checks;
- Spanish speaking a plus.

Compensation:

Starting salary \$15 an hour with paid time off (PTO), and holidays.

To Apply:

Please email your cover letter, resume, and salary requirements to sguzman@laureladvocacy.org. Please reference "Emergency Services Case Manager" in the subject line. No phone calls please.

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