

Position Available: Sexual Violence Counselor

Rape Advocacy, Counseling, & Education Services (RACES) is now accepting applications for the position of **Sexual Violence Counselor**.

Primary Function of the Position

To provide individual, group, and family counseling to child and adult survivors of sexual violence, adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse, and non-offending significant others.

Description of Role within the Agency

With the budget impasse in Illinois, RACES discontinued its counseling services due to lack of funding in June, 2016. The role of the Sexual Violence Counselor will have an initial emphasis on rebuilding and restoring the agency's counseling service to survivors of sexual assault and abuse ages three years and older; non-offending significant others ages three years and older; and non-offending significant others.

Once the agency has restored counseling services, the role of the Sexual Violence Counselor will shift to the items listed in the Major Duties and Responsibilities section.

The Sexual Violence Counselor reports to the Executive Director of RACES.

Major Duties and Responsibilities

- Maintain a weekly schedule for individual counseling for survivors of sexual violence and nonoffending significant others ages three years and older
- Develop and facilitate group counseling for survivors of sexual violence and non-offending significant others ages three years and older
- Complete client intake, service plan, and other agency documentation in compliance with statewide service standards
- Participate in 24-hour crisis hotline on-call duties
- Assist in providing advocacy services
- Maintain confidentiality of client and agency information

Other Duties and Responsibilities

- Participate in volunteer training, professional training, prevention education, and agency advocacy, as appropriate
- Attend staff meetings, supervisory conferences, and other required events
- Coordinate and partner with related community agencies and participate in community and outreach events to build information and referral networks
- Other duties as assigned

Position Qualifications

Education and **Training**

Master's Degree in Psychology, Social Work, Counseling or related field



• Completion of 40-hour ICASA crisis intervention training by start of employment is required

Knowledge and Experience

- At least one year of experience working with survivors of sexual violence is required
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills is required
- Ability to work well with a diverse population is required
- Supervisory experience is preferred

Application Process

- Applicants should send their resume, cover letter, and three professional references to the following address: 300 S. Broadway, Lincoln Square Mall, Suite 154S, Urbana IL 61801 or via email to admin@cu-races.org
- Selected applicants will be contacted for an interview by a hiring committee
- The agency conducts criminal background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer

Compensation

This is a full-time, exempt position. The starting date will be as soon as possible after the closing date.

Salary will be commensurate with experience and no less than \$35,000 annually. This includes an excellent benefits package with paid vacation, sick leave, and health insurance. The agency discontinued its retirement plan due to the state budget impasse, but is actively working to restore this for all eligible positions, including this one.