

The Family Trauma Therapist is responsible to provide therapy services exclusively with adult and child family member survivors of homicides attributed to domestic violence and/or human trafficking. Includes, but not limited to, conducting intakes, crisis intervention/24-hour response, therapy & case management. This may occur at the scene of a crime, immediately after a crime or be provided on an ongoing basis. Therapist reports to the Director of Crisis Response and works closely with all programs. This is an on call 24-7 position.

A Safe Place is a recognized 501(c)3 nonprofit organization listed under Lake County Crisis Center for the Prevention & Treatment of Domestic Violence Inc.

*Office location Gurnee, IL.*

## **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Completes intakes and evaluations of mental health needs.
- Provide comprehensive trauma-focused therapy including: motivational interviewing, cognitive-behavioral therapy, dialectical behavioral therapy, adult and child individual and group therapy, outpatient substance use disorder counseling, case management, supportive services, and assertive outreach.
- Therapist assists with on call hours as well as on-site crisis intervention to support Director. Also assist when needed on coordination with police department's homicide related calls.
- Bridge survivors and connect them to necessary services
- Make contact with survivors immediately upon a referral to set up counseling needs.
- Therapist works with survivors to develop a service plan to meet their goals.
- Therapist provides trauma-informed, individual/group counseling, as needed, which will promote the healing of trauma and support the steps in the grieving process.
- Therapist refers clients deemed appropriate to long-term supportive programs or other services deemed appropriate based on their service plans.
- Ensure documentation in records is appropriate, accurate, timely and in accordance with agency policies and funding requirements.
- Provide education on the Illinois Domestic Violence Act, Orders of Protection and stalking laws to enhance client safety and abuser accountability, providing referral sources internally and/or externally when appropriate.
- Work as a team player in the organization.
- Attend and participate in staff meetings
- Conduct, attend and participate in appropriate training and education as requested
- Perform additional responsibilities as assigned

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Minimum Master's Level with Licensure in Counseling, Social Work or closely related field.
- **Fully Licensed (LCSW/LCPC) or Licensed (LSW/LPC) with CADC certification.**
- **Need to be flexible with schedule to meet clients needs and ability to change priorities as needed.**
- Excellent written and oral communication skills to complete record documentation, develop group materials, express information clearly and concisely.
- Excellent interpersonal skills that demonstrate genuine concern and respect toward clients and other staff.
- Ability to provide active listening, encouragement and support to clients

Ability to accept, understand and relate sensitively to people of varied socio-economic, racial, cultural, and experiential backgrounds.

A commitment to the philosophy and program of A SAFE PLACE, which includes a co