

A Safe Place

Lake County Crisis Center

Project Coordinator – PT

The Project Coordinator (PT) is responsible for the creation of a Social Work Committee to connect A Safe Place services to victims that social workers respond to DV calls with the goal to mitigate risk of lethality cases in Lake County. Project Coordinator will plan, develop agenda and host monthly meetings with participants. Will also follow up with social workers to ensure participation in meetings.

The Coordinator will also network with Lake County police municipalities, attorneys, schools and social service organization workers to educate them on domestic violence. Coordinator will provide trainings on identifying red flags and train in the utilization of The Lethality Assessment Tool.

The Lethality Assessment Tool predicts the likelihood of serious injury or death and is an evidence-based effective method to identify victims of Domestic Violence who are at the highest risk of being seriously injured or killed by their intimate partner. The Project Coordinator reports to the Chief Crisis Response Officer and works closely with all programs.

Responsibilities:

- Develop rapport with Social Workers/Police/Attorneys by meeting with them individually, following up with correspondence and nurturing the relationships.
- Form a new monthly social workers committee, where cases will be reviewed, focus on early intervention, and determine what could be done differently if a fatality occurred or a victim was seriously injured (Was the tool & resources utilized?).
- Manage list of contacts from social service organizations, schools, attorneys & police municipalities, with contacts, to build a network and encourage engagement in the Tool, made aware of changes within Lake County, updates and results.
- The Project Coordinator will train Social Workers (from police departments, attorneys, social service agencies, etc.) from across Lake County in its use, of the Lethality Assessment Tool. Set goal of recruiting at least 30+ social workers to participate in the training and project.
- Represent A Safe Place at the Lake County State Attorney Fatality Review Committee.
- Emphasize to Social Workers/Police/attorneys to incorporate Assessment Tool to identify those at high risk of DV escalation and have an understanding of when to refer clients to ASP's Crisis Response Team.
- Advocate for A Safe Place as the primary resource for DV services.
- Prepare Crisis Response Team to track referrals from participating social workers.
- Conduct program evaluation to ensure performance measures are being achieved.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor in Social Work or closely related field with proven experience of Project Coordinating/Outreach in a social work setting. Extensive relevant experience would be considered in lieu of Bachelor degree.
- Strong Collaborator and able to develop local partnerships.
- Able to connect and relate with a diverse population.
- Strong presentation, networking and communication skills are necessary.
- Highly organized with excellent time management skills.
- Travel within Lake County required.

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

A commitment to the philosophy and program of A SAFE PLACE, which includes a commitment to survivor's issues, sharing a belief in helping to create a society free from violence, and in working in a cooperative environment.