



Behavioral Health Intern

Key Information

Reports To:	Behavioral Health Director
Location:	Kent or Maple Valley, WA
Supervises:	None
Base Pay:	\$22.00 Hour
Job Classification:	FT or PT, Non-Exempt

About Vine Maple Place (VMP)

VMP, established in 2000 as a 501c3 nonprofit working with single parents and their children to break the generational cycle of homelessness. Serving families who are homeless or facing eviction, our commitment is to end homelessness in South King County. Over the past 12 years, our signature Stable Families program has grown, serving from 68 parents and children to nearly 4,500 individuals annually. Our programs focus on preventing homelessness or assisting families off the streets to become safe, stable, and equipped with new skills to permanently leave homelessness. Families achieve great success, becoming safe, stable, and self-sufficient; 95% are stably housed upon exiting the program, with 91% maintaining their housing a year later. Our evidence-based, client-centered services are delivered at two Family Hope Centers. As a community and faith-based organization, we rely on the thousands of volunteer hours and donations that make our work possible. Due to the homelessness crisis in King County, VMP is expanding to serve more families in need.

Job Summary

The Behavioral Health internship program is intended for individuals looking to start their career in mental health counseling. We provide clinical supervision and direction, during practicum, internship and beyond. The internship program is 9-12 months, with the possibility to continue a career as an LMHCA with VMP and receive support in as you obtain your LMHC license. The intern will carry a counseling caseload of adults and children, facilitate life-skills classes and support the success of clients reaching their goals of leaving homelessness and reaching self-sufficiency.

Responsibilities

- Reach out to clients to engage them in counseling services and classes.
- Facilitate group classes- focused on life-skills, parenting and boundaries.
- Carry a counseling caseload, working with both adults and children.
- Track client data, communications and attendances electronically and maintain high standards of confidentiality.
- Attend weekly staff meetings, trainings on trauma-informed care and stewardship, motivational interviewing and conscious discipline, to apply these skills in daily work with families.

- Attend community agency meetings with staff, preparing notes and determining new collaborative relationships to benefit families at VMP.
- Attend Mentor and Advisor meetings to evaluate ministry calling and career path goals.
- Set annual, measurable goals at the start of the Internship Program, to be achieved by the completion of the program.
- Act as a mandated reporter on all incidents of abuse, neglect and safety.

Qualifications

- Have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and agree to the VMP Statement of Faith.
- Be passionate about helping families overcome the trauma of homelessness.
- Embrace diversity and work effectively with a diverse team of professionals; sensitivity to the needs of clients, staff and volunteers from diverse cultural and economic backgrounds.
- Currently pursuing, or recent graduate of, a Graduate Degree in Mental Health Counseling
- Ability to read, write, speak and understand English fluently.
- Willing to work evening and occasional weekend hours.
- Ability to work with or learn Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Outlook) and general computer skills.
- Awareness of issues and complexity in social services work, requiring cultural competency.
- Experience working with diverse, low income, homeless and/or vulnerable adults and children.
- Experience facilitating classes.

Required Credentials

- Must pass and maintain an acceptable background check.
- Certificate of Liability Insurance

Further Compensation Details

- 401(k), with matching
- Medical, dental & vision benefits (FT 30+ hour employees)
- Up to 7 paid holidays
- Vacation accrued per hours worked, up to 10 days per year
- Protected Sick Leave accrued for a maximum of 64 hours per year

The above is intended to describe the general content of, and the requirements for, satisfactory performance in this position. It is not to be construed as an exhaustive statement of duties, responsibilities or requirements of this position. Other duties may be assigned.

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