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24-hour Hotlines: Orange County **845.562.5340**
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Position Posting: Therapeutic Counselor

Posting Date: October 17, 2018

Position Title: Therapeutic Counselor

Classification: Exempt status

Reports to: Associate Director

Hours Per Week: 40

Schedule: Monday - Friday during business hours; flexibility required for holidays, evenings and weekends

Anticipated Start Date: Mid-November 2018

Safe Homes of Orange County is a not-for-profit 501(c) (3) located in Orange County, NY, which has grown from a grassroots, small group of committed individuals in 1986 to an organization, leader, and resource in the field of intimate partner violence and human trafficking advocacy and services provision. Our many programs include a Family Justice Center, emergency shelter, legal program, anti-trafficking program, individual and group support, advocacy, therapeutic counseling, Risk Reduction Response Programs, systems-based advocacy and collaboration, community education and outreach, and Sullivan County non-residential programming.

Duties & Responsibilities:

Safe Homes of Orange County seeks a full-time therapist to provide trauma-informed, clinical services and individual and group therapy to victims of domestic violence.

Responsibilities of the position include but are not limited to:

- Provide individual and group counseling and/or therapy to clients of Safe Homes of Orange County;
- Provide culturally informed emotional support and crisis intervention;
- Maintain client records, documentation, group logs and statistical information, as requested, in accordance with agency policy and utilize the agency database as expected;
- Attend and actively participate in supervision, staff meetings, other agency meetings and trainings, as assigned and scheduled;
- Answer hotline calls and provide nonjudgmental supportive counseling regarding domestic violence and options;
- Provide walk-in services to victims, as needed;
- Provide advocacy, resources and/or information and referral, as needed;
- Other duties as assigned

Qualified candidates will have:

- Master's Degree in Social Work, Counseling or related field is required. Must be licensed by NYS as a Social Worker, Mental Health Counselor or related discipline and maintain license throughout course of employment.
- Two years of prior counseling experience
- Experience in the field of domestic violence, human trafficking, or victimization and knowledge of trauma strongly preferred
- Strong Communication skills (both written and oral) in English and Spanish (preferred)
- Ability to work a flexible schedule, including some evenings and weekends
- Ability to work in a fast paced, crisis oriented environment: assess priorities, take initiative, handle multiple assignments and meet deadlines.
- Ability to work cooperatively and supportively as part of a team.
- Ability to maintain effective working relationships and communication with others, and exhibit patience and understanding toward client population being served.
- Experience working with diverse populations and seeks understanding of cultural differences.
- Understand and work from a feminist philosophy of empowerment, and support SHOC mission and purpose.
- Display commitment to ending violence against women and children and a commitment to social change through active participation in working towards ending racism, classism, sexism, ageism, homophobia, ableism, and all forms of oppression; demonstrate willingness to gain understanding of issues of oppression, battering and sexual assault.



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- Model and uphold appropriate boundaries and confidentiality in work with clients, co-workers, supervisor, and community.
- Ability to lift up to 50 pounds, navigate stairs, and periods of sitting, standing and walking required.
- Experience with Microsoft Word and Excel is preferred.
- A valid, insurable driver's license and transportation required.
- Ability to travel extensively throughout Orange County.

NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

Applicants may email, mail, or fax resume with cover letter, including why you are interested in this position:

Subject line must read: Therapeutic Counselor

Attention: Sarita Green, Associate Director

Email: sgreen@safehomesorangecounty.org

Fax: 845-562-2216

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