CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



COMMUNITY RESPONSE SOCIAL WORKER

\$57,447.06 - \$68,328.57

Pay Grade 39
Salary commensurate with experience
UNION AFFILIATION: EPPMTEA

Under the supervision of the Chief of Police, the Community Response Social Worker is a civilian position that provides crisis intervention, advocacy, short-term counseling, community outreach and education, and other social service assistance to the East Providence Police Department and the City of East Providence.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Makes assessments to determine the best course of action in providing short-term crisis intervention services in emergency situations, such as, but not limited to: domestic violence, child abuse, sexual abuse, suicide, serious or fatal car crashes, other cases involving emotional trauma and assisting individuals in a mental health crisis.
- Provides resources and referrals for additional services and long-term assistance involving situations of domestic disputes, substance use, mental health issues, trauma, grief and loss, adolescent and geriatric concerns.
- Assists in the coordination and administration of the City of East Providence Employee
 Assistance Program. Works closely with the East Providence Police and Fire Peer Support Team
 to provide employee defusing, debriefings, psychological first aid and appropriate follow up.
 Provides police officers and firefighters with appropriate support and referrals.
- Offers support for police officers and firefighters and city employees on managing their mental health and crises i.e. depression, anxiety, ideations or attempts of suicide, substance abuse, homelessness, disorders, grief and trauma responses.
- Provides emergency social service assistance after working hours to officers in the field as needed.
- o Conducts community follow ups on referrals from police officers.
- Upon request of a sworn police officer, responds to a call for service with a police officer in the community.

o Under RIGL 40.1-5-7, "Emergency certification", be authorized or become authorized within the first six (6) months of employment to make emergency certification applications.

OTHER DUTIES:

- o Conducts public education programs and events for the East Providence community.
- o Completes all requisite trainings and maintain requisite certifications.
- Acts as a bridge between the Department, community and other professionals and agencies to develop and maintain effective working relationships.
- o Demonstrates and maintains a high standard of confidentiality and sensitivity.
- Performs all other duties as determined by the Chief of Police (and/ or the Chief's designee) and the City's Human Resource Director

REQUIREMENTS:

- Ability to write professional correspondences and reports
- o Ability to maintain confidential and sensitive information
- o Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing
- o Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions
- o Ability to respond professionally, fairly, timely, effectively and courteously to the public
- Ability to establish and maintain good working relationships with the general public and coworkers
- o Ability to operate efficiently, effectively and work well under pressure
- o Knowledge of basic computer operation, specifically Microsoft Office software
- o Occasional night, weekend and emergency availability
- o Ability to pass an in-depth background check
- o Must possess and maintain a valid state driver's license
- o Must maintain certification as a Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (LICSW)
- o Maintains appropriate records
- o Thorough understanding of and ability to be HIPAA compliant

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- I. Master's degree in social work, public health, human services or related field
- II. Minimum five (5) years of related work experience
- III. Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (LICSW)

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- o Multilingual, with the ability to speak Spanish, Cape Verdean Creole or Portuguese
- o Prior experience working professionally with law enforcement or other criminal justice agencies

EXAMINATION WEIGHT

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Application and resume must be submitted no later than Friday, February 4, 2022 at 4 pm.

At the City of East Providence we celebrate the diversity of our citizenry, and are proud to encourage inclusiveness in our workforce. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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