Job Announcement:

**Breaking Cycles**

**Connection Coach – License-Eligible**

**Full Time:** $41,600/year plus excellent benefits

**Specific Responsibilities:** Accountable to Program Manager to provide comprehensive trauma-informed services as part of the Breaking Cycles program including, but not limited to, working in collaboration with Probation Department and other community partners to provide services to adolescents who are at-risk or have experienced commercial sexual exploitation and/or human trafficking that are detained at Juvenile Detention Facility or the Girls Rehabilitation Facility.

Direct service duties include screening, coordinating crisis assessment and safety planning, facilitating psychoeducation and process groups, and care coordination of transition plans. Connection Coach is responsible for maintaining continuity of care for at-risk detained youth by connecting youth to referrals and support services to assist with their transition when they have been released to the community. Connection Coach is working towards the goals to reduce risk of commercial sexual exploitation and/or human trafficking; reduce juvenile crime and recidivism related to alcohol and other drugs; and strengthen family engagement. Services are provided in-home, at detention centers, Polinsky, schools, shelter environments and in the community as needed. Additionally responsible for ensuring that standards relating to safety and inclusivity are maintained. Connection Coach develops and cultivates a culture of advocacy and empowerment for youth who have experienced commercial sexual exploitation and/or human trafficking.

**Physical Requirements:**
Must have ability to bend at the waist, kneel or crouch to assist youth. Must have ability to hear and speak to exchange information and make presentations. Must have ability to lift and carry 20 pounds--lifting books, materials and equipment to execute lessons and presentations. Seeing to read, prepare and review a variety of activities and to monitor youth activities. Sitting or standing for extended periods of time. Walking extended lengths to move around facilities. Potential exposure to physical injury from aggressive behavior.

**Qualifications:**
License-eligible in Marital and Family Therapy, Social Work, or Psychology. Must be registered with California’s Board of Behavioral Science and must be in good standing.

Minimum 2 years of relevant experience with high risk adolescents, preferably those who have experienced commercial sexual exploitation and/or human trafficking. Experience in crisis intervention, therapeutic group facilitation, documentation, curriculum maintenance/development, and case management. Knowledge of Motivational Interviewing, Seeking Safety, My Life My Choice curriculum is a plus. Must be a team player with ability to work independently. Must possess or be willing to develop working knowledge of trauma-informed care and dual diagnosis treatment; experience working in trauma-informed and dual diagnosis preferred. Familiarity with juvenile justice and social service systems preferred. Demonstrate ability to work well under pressure, meet multiple and competing deadlines. Cooperate and collaborate with colleagues and supervisors, and positively contribute to the culture of the program and agency. Maintain certification in CPR & First Aid. Preferred bilingual English/Spanish. Must be available to work weekends and evenings as assigned by supervisor and/or as needed. Must attend trainings and abide by Probation Departments’ CORI/CLETS and PREA; as well as, maintain PCMS documentation requirements.

Employment offer will be subject to clearances, which include fingerprinting, background checks, TB test, driving record and drug testing. Must have reliable vehicle, relevant auto insurance, a clean driving record, and willing to drive vehicle for job related tasks. Mileage reimbursed.
Send resume to SDYS, please include “BC Connection Coach” in the subject or attention line.
E-mail to hr@sdyouthservices.org
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