Job Posting: Addictions Case Worker

The Good Shepherd Center, a Saint John of God ministry, a mission of service to the poor and homeless people of the Albuquerque metropolitan area, is seeking an Addictions Case Worker to provide case management services to clients participating in the Center’s drug and alcohol recovery program (Fresh Start). This position assists clients in a process of personal empowerment to achieve rehabilitation and re-entry into independent living as a productive member of the community.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Manage the casework component of the Fresh Start Program, developing casework program goals, objectives, and plans; implementing plans and priorities, executing all casework functions, evaluating program outcomes, and developing program improvements.
- Assess and orient clients applying for admission to the Fresh Start Program, including carrying out the intake procedure.
- Administer Fresh Start Program post-treatment elements, to include explaining program guidelines and expectations.
- Assess and develop individualized service plans for clients and develop housing, aftercare, and relapse prevention focused plans for post treatment clients.
- Facilitate group sessions and empower clients to cooperate, work in groups, and support each other with their individual goals.
- Monitor clients’ progress through regular follow-up, updates, crises intervention, and development of personalized relapse prevention plans.
- Provide support to clients in finding and maintaining housing by contributing to the enhancement of skill building activities for daily living.
- Refer clients to other resources if the Fresh Start Program does not meet their needs.
- Assist clients to consider options for leisure and social time, empowering them in building supportive networks to enhance independent living.
- Provide supportive counseling and skills development in order to assist clients in preparing for interviews with landlords and employers.
- Create and maintain appropriate and professional case documentation, and prepare daily, weekly, and monthly reports as appropriate.
- Develop and maintain professional relationships with internal and external support systems to provide complementary services to clients.
- Attend and participate in team and clinical meetings, promoting program goals through team work.
- Maintain LADAC credential through continuing education
- Maintain and abide by confidentiality and ethical standards of the Good Shepherd Center at all times.

Qualification Requirements:

- Licensed Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counselor (LADAC) certification
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- Bachelor of Social Work degree, or a Bachelor’s Degree in a related field, such as agency counseling, art therapy, clinical psychology, guidance counseling, human and family studies, mental health/community counseling, and psychology
- Counseling experience that demonstrates skill in application of the 12-steps program
- A working knowledge of cause and effect of homelessness, poverty, health, mental health, and related issues
- Knowledge of employment and housing resources in the Albuquerque metropolitan area
- Awareness of public health and educational resources available for addiction related programs
- Strong interpersonal, problem solving skills and ability to manage multiple tasks and prioritize work overload
- Excellent written communication skills to produce memoranda, correspondence, and progress reports
- Strong and current computer skills
- Strong organizational and program management skills in conjunction with administrative skills to a high standard of professionalism

Work Schedule:
Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Application Procedure:
Announcement open from April 29 through May 27, 2019
Send resume to Brother Sean McIsaac at brosean@gscnm.org
Please include references with resume.
The Good Shepherd Center will notify qualified candidates.