# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MULTI-COUNTY RURAL ADVOCATE

### GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

The Domestic Violence Multi County Rural Advocate is responsible for providing services in the rural county offices of DeWitt, Moultrie, Piatt and Shelby Counties. Major responsibilities include covering rural offices during times when Coordinators are on vacation and/or on possible medical leave, providing direct services to adults and children in the rural counties, including provision of education and awareness about domestic violence to groups and schools in the rural communities.

## EXAMPLES OF WORK

Provision of direct services to clients in the outlying counties.

Answers Hotline in rural county offices.

Documents services provided according to program standards.

Informs clients of legal rights through the IL Domestic Violence Act. (IDVA)

Makes presentations to community groups and schools about the issue of domestic violence. Providing coverage for rural offices when the Rural County Coordinator is sick, on vacation, etc. Attends and participates in all required Dove and Domestic Violence Program meetings. Performs related duties as required.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

Candidates should have at least two years successful experience in human services. The Domestic Violence Multi County Rural Advocate is expected to have a familiarity with the dynamics of domestic violence and prior experience in programs serving clients in crisis, is preferred. The Domestic Violence Multi County Rural Advocate must be extremely reliable, sensitive, emotionally mature and have demonstrated skills in counseling victims of domestic violence, crisis intervention, problem solving, case management, program planning, and time management. Applicants must be able to perform the following: Lift and carry 30-50 pounds, sit and/or stand for prolonged periods of time, bend, twist, stoop, or kneel, exhibit manual dexterity, vision correctable to 20/20 or sufficient to complete job responsibilities. A valid driver's license and insurance is required. Prior to employment, all employees are subjects to background and drug checks as required by program grants and Dove, Inc. Personnel Policy. These checks may be updated periodically.

#### SALARY AND BENEFITS

The salary range for this position is \$27,000 – 30,000 Annually. Raises are provided annually based on merit and availability of funding. Fringe benefits include paid holidays, up to 19 paid leave days per year, group health insurance (30 hours per week or more), life insurance, and disability insurance (25 hours per week or more), direct deposit, matching retirement fund, and an Employee Assistance Program.

## WORK CONDITIONS AND ENVIRONMENT

This is a full-time position requiring 40 hours per week. The Multi County Rural Advocate reports to the Legal Advocacy Supervisor. An office for the Multi County Rural Advocate is located in the DeWitt County Office building in Clinton, IL. Days worked may include week-ends, and/or holidays. This position is subject to the Fair Labor Standards Act.

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