

Project Now, CAA Job Description

Job Title: Outreach Worker
Department: CSBG/LIHEAP

Summary: Performs a variety of outreach functions and searches for customers who do not know about or have not utilized appropriate services.

Essential duties and responsibilities include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

- Familiarizes self with all agency programs and mode of operation with particular emphasis on program guidelines.
- Familiarizes self with all available area resources and develops a good working relationship with other groups/agencies in order to better coordinate services.
- Conduct follow-up on referrals from other agencies in a timely manner
- Assesses client needs through intake and identifies and informs customers of resources available; refers, follows-up customers and provides services as indicated.
- Advocate for customers wrongfully denied services.
- Conducts home visits as needed and provides individual emphasis on family development and self-sufficiency.
- Assists customers in job search/placement or enrollment in education/training programs by making referrals and assisting with the resume or application processes as needed.
- Maintains accurate, confidential case files/records, updating as necessary.
- Attends program, agency and outside meetings/trainings as requested.
- Be willing to travel as necessary
- Ability to read and interpret documents such as safety rules, operating and maintenance instructions, and procedure manuals. Ability to write routine reports and correspondence. Ability to speak effectively before groups of customers or employees of organization. Must have good verbal and written communication skills.
- Ability to add, subtract, multiply, and divide in all units of measure, using whole numbers, common fractions, and decimals. Ability to compute rate, ratio, and percent and to draw and interpret bar graphs.
- Ability to apply common sense understanding to carry out instructions furnished in written, oral, or diagram form. Ability to deal with problems involving several concrete variables in standardized situations. Must be able to work independently and have the ability to apply social work principles to real life situations.
- Must have completed a recognized Family and Community Development Certification process or have equivalent academic course work. Experience with advanced outreach, case management and/or family development desired.
- May be required to drive. Must have a reliable vehicle, valid driver's license, and proof of insurance.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES: This job has no supervisory responsibilities.

EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE: High school diploma or general education degree (GED) and 1 year of related experience and or training or a combination of education and experience. Must be proficient with Microsoft Windows and Office software and be able to operate office equipment such as 10 key and keyboard.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS and WORK ENVIRONMENT: While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk and listen. The employee is occasionally required to stand; walk; sit. The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 25 pounds as it relates to the office environment. The noise level is quiet and the type normally associated with the office environment

Positions within Project NOW are primarily grant funded and funding decreases can affect our staffing levels.