

Denton County Friends of the Family, Inc.

Partner Advocate/ Administrative Volunteer for Battering Intervention and Prevention Program (BIPP)

Hours: 4-8 hours per week

Reports To: Director of Battering Intervention and Prevention Program (BIPP)

Site Location: Prevention Center , 1330 Teasley Ln, Denton TX 76205

Volunteer Description:

- Contact and advocate for the victim/partners whose partner is attending Battering Intervention and Prevention Programing.
- Determine appropriate services for partner through a phone or in-person screening process
- Complete referrals for partners to become victims service client with DCFOF
- Document and report on the outcomes of partner safety calls
- Attend group sessions to gain a thorough understanding of BIPP
- Assist with maintenance of participant files, data entry, and any other program related administrative responsibilities assigned by the Direct of BIPP and/or supervising staff.

Volunteer Requirements:

- Complete volunteer application and background check
- Attend Volunteer orientation and training
- Attend BIPP staff meetings and report on the progress of the partner advocate program
- Maintain client and staff confidentiality and abide by the agency's Ethical Statement
- Ability to volunteer in-person 4-8 hours per week.

Benefits:

- Learn about the dynamics of relationship violence and sexual assault, social services, community resources, basic case management, and crisis intervention
- Increase knowledge of local referral sources and ability to coordinate services with other providers
- Gain knowledge of social issues contributing to interpersonal violence, psychological distress and healing.

Objective:

This position provides support to both staff and interns by assisting with victim/partner contact and with a wide range of administrative responsibilities assigned by the Direct of BIPP and/or supervising staff. In addition to the administrative support, this position will notify (by telephone) partners of the BIPP participants regarding services that Friends of the Family can offer to them as victims. Many of the batterer's partners may not know that services are provided to them free of charge or know important information that can help them in their situation. By getting in contact with these women we hope to give them an external resource that will empower them to get needed help for themselves.