

Case Manager Family Programs/Stabilization

Mission Statement:

Father Bill's & MainSpring is committed to ending and preventing homelessness in Southern Massachusetts with programs that provide emergency and permanent housing and help people obtain skills, jobs, housing, and services. We help people who are struggling with homelessness or are at risk of homelessness to achieve self-sufficiency.

Father Bill's & MainSpring is a growing and dynamic social service agency with particular expertise in emergency and permanent housing, job training and placement, and prevention services for individuals and families in need. Over the next five years, our strategic focus includes an increase in affordable, permanent supportive housing, a more efficient model of care for families experiencing homelessness, commitment to an enhanced delivery model to reduce the need for shelter, and improved community relations in order to achieve these goals. Our staff are thoughtful and caring individuals who share our passion for these ideals and creative approaches to helping people improve their lives.

We offer a generous benefits package and a comprehensive orientation and training program, as well as ample opportunities for advancement for qualified individuals who show a commitment to our Mission.

Position Summary:

This Stabilization Case Manager is a full-time, community-based position, providing ongoing case management support to families moving from homelessness to housing. This position works closely with the family for a one year term, making referrals to educational and employment opportunities as needed and coordinating care for families. The Stabilization CM provides assistance with maintaining permanent, sustainable housing and acts as mediator with landlords in the case of housing issues/disputes. This full-time position requires a Bachelor's Degree or equivalent work experience

Essential Responsibilities:

- Complete intake process within required time frame for all family members 18+, utilizing a housing first framework and understanding the barriers to house people experiencing homelessness.
- Collect and maintain data-based statistical information, maintain accurate case records including data entry/ETO as determined by program funders on a monthly and quarterly basis.
- Meet with participants at least once a quarter to monitor participant progress with in the timeframe defined by program funders; implement individual service plans monthly for all family members 18+ identifying strengths, needs, barriers and goals.
- Set up and maintain accurate case files as well as adhere to requirements as determined by program funders.
- Provide outreach and assessment in the community as deemed necessary by supervisor or other administrator within the organization.
- Collaborate, refer and case conference with staff including family shelter, housing search, child services, workforce development and Prevention/Diversion staff including TPP
- Complete home visits as well as refer and assist participants to access community resources providing support and transportation (some transporting is required).
- Participate in scheduled supervision, agency and community meetings and trainings when required.
- Adhere to requirements as determined by program funders.

• Initiate crisis intervention when necessary.

Skills & Competencies:

- Empathy: An understanding and empathy for those dealing with homelessness and related issues.
- <u>Professionalism</u>: Maintains the highest level of professionalism in the delivery of services, building of relationships, collaboration with co-workers, and representation of Father Bill's & MainSpring within the organization and the community.
- <u>Communication</u>: Speaks appropriately in positive and/or negative conversations with supervisors, coworkers, volunteers, donors and constituents; Articulates the goals of Father Bill's & MainSpring.
- <u>Record-Keeping</u>: Routine clerical or record-keeping incidental to the essential responsibilities of the job (including, but not limited to, data entry and case file updates).
- <u>Iob Knowledge</u>: Possesses the practical and technical knowledge required on the job.
- Attendance: Acceptable overall attendance record, consistently at work and on time.
- <u>Reliability:</u> Relied upon regarding task completion and follow-up. Follows instructions, responds to management direction and solicits feedback to improve performance.
- Initiative: Seeks out new assignments and is willing to be flexible with additional duties.
- <u>Adherence to Policy</u>: Follows safety and workplace expectations, regulations and processes as defined in the Employee Handbook.
- Work Ethic: Demonstrates a commitment to the Mission and adheres to the Operating Principles of Father Bill's & MainSpring and works as part of a team toward a common goal.

Other:

- <u>Safety & Security:</u> Actively promotes and personally observes safety and security procedures, and uses equipment and materials properly.
- Travel: Local travel may be required. Valid driver's license and good driving record required.
- <u>Physical Demands</u>: The demands described below are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.
 - Must be able to verbally convey detailed information or important instructions or ideas accurately
 or quickly. Must be able to hear average or normal conversations and receive ordinary
 information. Average visual acuity is necessary.

This job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive list of activities, duties or responsibilities required of the employee. Other duties as assigned may be part of the job.