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Date Posted: 12/18/14

Job Title	Client Advocate
Employer/ Agency	Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse
Job Description	Family Violence Program CLIENT ADVOCATE
	Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (AVDA) is accepting applications for a full-time, Client Advocate.
	The Client Advocate serves as a connection between victim-survivors of family violence and sources of community support by providing in-depth and ongoing advocacy and social-services referrals.
	AVDA has been a premier domestic violence agency for more than three decades.
	Responsibilities: Initiate and continue ongoing follow-up contact with clients to determine physical, financial, and emotional needs Answer intake calls on an as-needed basis Develop/maintain up-to-date resource materials for clients and other staff Assist clients in securing basic human needs such as shelter and emergency food Aid the client in actualizing a self-sufficiency plan, including assistance enrolling in job training or job search programs Assist in making arrangements for parenting classes and/or evaluations necessary for successful completion of court case Accompany victim-survivors to court or other agencies when requested Input and update accurate client information into multiple computerized client databases Serve as a member of the organization's Speaker's Bureau Perform other duties as assigned
Qualifications	Qualifications: • Master's degree preferred • Degree in social services preferred • Bachelor's degree required or equivalent experience in family violence considered • Fully bilingual in English and Spanish highly preferred • Knowledge of domestic violence • Crisis counseling experience preferred • Sensitivity to victims of domestic violence • Appreciation of diversity and a sensitivity to people of varying lifestyles, ethnicity, and religious backgrounds • Proficiency with PCs, databases, and word processing • Dependable transportation
Salary/Hours	Salary and Benefits: Salary range is \$30,000-\$33,000 and is dependent on education and experience Downtown location with paid parking Paid health insurance

	• Full-time position
Employer/Agency	Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse
Address	1001 Texas, Suite 600
City, State, Zip	Houston, TX 77002
Contact Person	Ruth Ann McElfresh
Contact Title	Director of Finance & Administration
Telephone Number	713 224 9911
Fax Number	713 715 6935
Email Address	ruthannm@avda-tx.org
Application Method	If you are interested in the position, please email your resume and cover letter to ruthannm@avda-tx.org . Phone calls and faxes will not be accepted. AVDA is an equal opportunity employer.
Opening Date	12/18/14

To post a job opportunity or if your response to this job posting results in successful employment, please email the GCSW Office of Alumni and Career Services at mswjobs@central.uh.edu with the hiring details of your new job opportunity. Thank you.

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