## COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP FOR SOMERSET COUNTY

POSITION DESCRIPTION

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NAME: FLSA STATUS: Non-Exempt

JOB TITLE: Housing Case Manager DEPARTMENT: Community Services

<u>**OVERALL PURPOSE**</u> This position is responsible for coordinating housing options and program services to serve the homeless population and provide them with the necessary assistance to secure and maintain housing.

## **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

# 1. Maintain an active caseload of clients and provide them with intensive case management and supportive services to establish safe and stable permanent housing.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

- Conduct intakes on individuals presenting homeless for the most appropriate assessment of need, program match and placement planning
- Develop Individual Service Plans on each participant
- Monitor clients to ensure they are successfully attaining the goals established within the Individual Service Plan under program requirements/conditions
- Provide life skills counseling and meet monthly or more frequently as necessary with clients based upon program status to ensure client is following the lease agreement and program guidelines.
- Provide basic household needs as appropriate
- Coordinate client referrals to appropriate outreach services to enhance the support network.
- Make referrals to appropriate internal agency services to assist the client

# 2. Complete initial Intake to determine eligibility for Housing and Shelter program while screening for potential eligibility for other agency services

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

- Complete ORS and HMIS data entry of intakes
- Verify income
- Maintain organized, accurate and up to date information on clients
- Sign up new clients and make referrals based on eligibility or need for other agency services
- Screen for eligibility or complete application for Columbia Gas or Dollar Energy Fund
- Communicate effectively while remaining professional

#### 3. Provide case management for housing participants

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

- Conduct intakes on individuals presenting homeless for the most appropriate assessment of need, program match and placement planning
- Monitor clients to ensure they are successfully attaining the goals established within the Individual Services Plan
- Provide basic household needs as appropriate

## 4. Maintain accurate tracking of all program data based upon contract requirements.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

- Enter all client data into the ORS database and complete a family application with signatory requirements
- Enter all client data, required under contracts, into the operating system
- Maintain detailed case management notes, in written format within the client file, tracking activities and contacts

## 5. Network with local agencies to maintain an understanding of available services and market Agency services.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

- Facilitate ROOF committee meetings for local housing option
- Facilitate Point In Time count once a year
- Facilitate Professional Retreat annually
- Sit on Drug Free Community Board and/or other
- Work with each school districts liaison to streamline services to homeless students
- Receive homeless referrals from Probation, CYS, DRC, Somerset County Jail or SCI
- Work closely with Twin Lakes, Beal Counseling, County Assistance Office and Hospitals to provide services to clients

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## 6. Coordinate and/or execute home inspections for safe client housing placement.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

- Complete home inspections for all units prior to placement
- Maintain detailed notes of property inspections to include all contract required documentation
- Assists with annual reports for all programs

## 7. Ensure positive and encouraging environment is provided to all clients and agency staff PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

- Follow customer service best practices
- Effectively communicate
- Uphold highest level of professional integrity

## 8. Attend required meetings and trainings

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

- Attend meetings as requested
- Attend trainings for continued professional development
- Be prepared and participate

## **OTHER DUTIES**

- 1. Secure office at the end of each day and ensure all lights/machines are turned off.
- 2. Perform other related duties as required.

## SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Supervision is received from the Community Services Program Director

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

## **EDUCATION**

- Associate Degree or some post-secondary education required
- Bachelor degree preferred

## **EXPERIENCE AND/OR TRAINING**

- Experience in an office environment
- Experience with case management preferred
- Five years direct case management in lieu of degree required

## ADDITIONAL JOB REQUIREMENTS

- Identify problems, inform others, and provide information
- Communicate effectively with co-workers or customers
- Operating Technology, e.g. smart devices, data base systems, software programs, internet, e-mail
- Adapt to a Constantly Changing Work Environment
- Independent Judgment and Discretion
- Utilize Creativity and organizational skills
- Work Closely with Others

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential function satisfactorily. The requirements listed are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. I have read the above position description and fully understand the requirements set forth therein. I can perform the essential functions of the position with or without accommodation. I will perform all duties and responsibilities to the best of my ability.

Signature of Employee	Date
Signature of HR Representative	Date