

THE NEIGHBORHOOD SELF HELP BY OLDER PERSONS PROJECT, INC.
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Position Available

Position: VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM, CASEWORKER (BA/BSW) or SOCIAL WORKER (MSW)

Salary Range: TBD Full Time: 35 hour /week

The purpose of **Neighborhood SHOPP Violence Intervention Program** focuses on alleviating the effects of domestic violence and crime on older Bronx residents and helping to prevent victimization of the elderly. We believe that older adults should be in a safe environment and that they should be able to recognize and deal appropriately with threatening situations in a manner that minimizes risk to themselves. VIP social workers provide specialized services for older victims of domestic violence and crime through information and referral, case assistance, individual and family counseling, assistance with crime victims compensation claims, crisis intervention, and crime and elder abuse prevention workshops and educational presentations. Coordination and collaboration with other agencies such as Adult Protective Services, the Bronx District Attorney's Office, and the NYC Department for the Aging Elderly Victims Resource Center ensure that victims are provided with timely and effective intervention.

Services to be Rendered:

The **VIP Case Worker or Social Worker** is responsible is specifically responsible for the following:

- Provide case assistance to victims of elder abuse, including information and referral, benefit and entitlement assistance, supportive contact, advocacy, counseling and escort and crisis intervention as indicated through the process of outreach, screening, assessment, intervention and follow-up.
- Conduct Elder Abuse Community Prevention activities including presentations to general the general public, groups of older adults and other target audiences;
- Identify and maintain collaboration relationships in the victims assistance network; provide information and referral to other appropriate agencies as needed and identify community resources for consultation and referral;
- Attend periodic training and skills development workshops; participate in biweekly case consultation and supervision conferences;
- Maintain client case records, work logs and performance target outcome tracking, and statistical reports, and other administrative requirements;
- Participate in SHOPP staff training programs, staff meetings, Advisory Committee Meetings and other meetings as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications:

The VIP Case Worker or Social Worker will report directly to the Program Director. This position requires a Bachelor's Degree (MSW Preferred) and experience in social service setting. Ideal candidate should be experienced in Advocacy, Case Planning, Crime Victims Assistance and General Outreach / Public Speaking. Bi-lingual English and Spanish preferred.

Neighborhood Self Help by Older Persons Project (SHOPP) is a non-profit social services agency located in the Bronx serving minority older adults. SHOPP's mission is based on the philosophy of self help. We believe that older people are capable of helping themselves and helping others improve their capacity to deal with the physical, emotional, social, and financial challenges they face as they age.

SHOPP has several components which include: the Senior Network Group Work Program; the SNAP Case Assistance Program; the VIP Crime Victims and Elder Abuse VIP Program; New York Connects of the Bronx, the Healthy Living / Proyecto Salud Wellness Program; the Neighborhood SHOPP Casa Boricua, Leon and Guess Senior Centers, SHOPP CMP Case Management Program, Lafayette Estates NORC Program and Transportation Services

To apply for this position, email or FAX resume and cover letter to:

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