Social Worker / Navigator Wanted

For Adults who are Blind or Visually Impaired

Description: This full-time position has two primary areas of responsibility. For two days per week the individual will provide a range of assessment, counseling, case management, life-skills training, and related services to residents of Friedman Place, a community for adults who are blind or visually impaired. The remaining three days will be spent providing a broad range of case management, referral, and linkage services to people who are blind or visually impaired living in the community (i.e., other than at Friedman Place). These services will be provided one day each week from Friedman Place, one day from an office in Chicago's Loop, and one day in the field.

Compensation: \$36,000 - \$50,000 per year, depending on skills and experience. Friedman Place provides a generous benefits package including heavily subsidized health, dental, and vision insurance, licensure reimbursement, educational reimbursement, retirement contributions, 20 paid days off – plus paid holidays – to new full-time employees, etc.

Primary Qualifications

- Master's Degree in Social Work, preferred will consider bachelors with extensive experience
- Licensed Social Worker (LSW) or Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), preferred
- Proficiency in office computer programs, including Microsoft Office Suite, etc.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills and the ability to work effectively with diverse individuals and groups.
- Very high level of organizational and time-management skills and other skills and abilities necessary to provide the responsibilities and requirements outlined above.
- Valid driver's license and reliable automobile, preferred (but not required).

To apply, please go to https://friedmanplace.org/job-openings/

Located on the northwest side of Chicago, Friedman Place is a nonprofit residential community that serves adults aged 22 and up who are disabled and blind or visually impaired. Each resident lives in his or her own apartment - there are 80 in the building – with a full bathroom and kitchenette. The building is specially designed for people with visual impairments such as special lighting; changes in floor textures; high-contrast paint colors; handrails; and "talking" elevators so residents may move about safely and freely while at home. Staff, specially trained to work with adults with visual impairments, provides social work and nursing services; housekeeping; meals; and a variety of programs and activities fitting resident needs and interests. All services promote integrated physical, mental and social health so residents lead as full and as independent lives as possible. The agency has 65 employees and 100 volunteers and is led by a volunteer board of directors.

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