



# CLIENT ADVOCATE VOLUNTEER

## POSITION DESCRIPTION

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**STATUS:** 1 Day Per Week

**REPORTS TO:** Clinic Director

### **OBJECTIVE OF POSITION:**

The Client Advocate Volunteer is on the front lines of local missions on the Peninsula. You'll be a peer counselor to women facing unplanned pregnancies. It is a challenging, rewarding and incredibly important role. Client Advocate Volunteers are compassionate, great listeners and wise. You'll need to be the type of person who's comfortable even with extremely difficult conversations. More than anything you'll need to be eager to speak and live out the Gospel, be unwavering in the truth, and exude lovingkindness to every woman that you counsel.

### **ORGANIZATION MISSION:**

Women think abortion is the only way out of an unplanned pregnancy. We provide the help and hope local women need to choose life for their baby.

### **KEY CHARACTERISTICS:**

#### **1. Passionate Christ Followers**

Our faith in Jesus informs every action we take.

#### **2. Unshakeable**

We stand for life no matter what it costs.

#### **3. Lovingkindness**

We believe lovingkindness is a lifeline to pregnant women in crisis.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- You will provide peer counseling for clients in an atmosphere of warmth and compassion, using active listening, interpersonal communication, and problem-solving skills.
- You will provide information on abortion (emotional and spiritual), parenting and adoption.
- You will offer materials resources, parenting classes and referrals appropriate to the client's situation.
- You will take notes for client records and follow-up according to the center's guidelines.

## **MUST HAVES:**

- Be a committed Christian with a consistent testimony and active in a local church.
- Exhibit strong commitment and dedication to the pro-life cause and sexual purity.
- Complete the provided Care Net Advocate Training (takes about 3 months to complete).
- Commit to serve one day per week (Monday - Friday) from 9:30 am until the last client of the day around 4:00 pm.
- Pass a mandatory criminal background check.

## **SKILLS:**

- You are compassionate, a great listener and eager to speak about the Gospel, without being judgmental.

## **LOCATION:**

- This opportunity is for our Newport News clinic.