

#### **Dunn House Court Advocate**

### **POSITION SUMMARY:**

Assist victims of domestic violence within the legal system.

## **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Good communication skills.
- Ability to develop active listening skills.
- Ability to develop understanding of domestic violence, stalking, sexual assault oppression and related issues
- Able to work in a high stress environment with diverse populations.
- Must pass Criminal Background Check

### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:**

- Assist victims of domestic violence, stalking and sexual assault in obtaining and keeping protective orders
- Provide crisis intervention counseling, peer support, information and advocacy to victims of domestic violence and stalking
- Conduct individualized safety planning sessions with persons served
- Accompany women to legal proceedings they may have related to domestic violence and/or stalking
- May transport women to and from the courthouse.
- Maintain a positive, professional demeanor.
- Collect statistical information as required by program

# **SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS**::

- Reports to Volunteer Coordinator of Dunn House and Court Advocate.
- Makes initial six month commitment doing a minimum of eight hours a month court advocacy.