YWCA HEALING CENTER
Internship/Practicum Fact Sheet

YWCA Silicon Valley is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all.

At YWCA Silicon Valley, one of the first multiservice agencies in the Bay Area, we are committed to eliminating racism and empowering women by not only a depth of direct service to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking, but also towards bold systems change.

YWCA is on a mission to empower by working to end racism and violence, to achieve solutions for survivors of violence facing homelessness and to inspire by closing the education and prosperity gap.

ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

School-based Counseling Program: On-campus counseling for students in elementary, middle, and high school throughout San Jose Unified School District.

Clinic Counseling Program: Outpatient counseling in our Healing Center, a community counseling center, in Downtown San Jose and Sunnyvale site. Focusing on individual counseling for children and adults, family, couples, and group counseling.

Arise: Providing counseling as offsite locations for children and youth experiencing trauma and crisis (community centers, housing, and shelters).

Valor and Men’s Classes: Our human trafficking program provides experience working with Complex Trauma survivor and are both early intervention programs.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM THE YWCA

Experience:

- Direct service counseling experience in clinic/community sites and school-based settings
- Involvement in well-establish non-profit organization
- A diverse experience
  - Exposure to multiple modalities: individual, couples, families, and group
  - Opportunity to work with clients of various ages
  - Experience with a broad range of treatment issues
  - Clients with diverse ethnicities, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds

Supervision:

- High quality, attentive supervision from experienced LMFT and LCSW
- Consistent, regularly, individual and group supervisions, and as-needed consolations
- Audio and video taping sessions available for use in supervision
Training:

- Detailed pre-placement orientation training to ensure preparedness for working in the field
- Bi-weekly clinic training in various subject matters/techniques throughout the year
- Opportunities for additional training in Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
- Experience in working as part of a team in a trauma informed and person-centered agency

Flexibility:

- Daytime, evening, and Saturday hours available for clinic counseling
- The opportunity to shape your experience to your own interests, theoretical orientations, and areas of growth

Compensation:

- Modest stipend for returning associate positions
- Modest stipend for bi-lingual interns

For more information on our program and organization, visit our website at www.yourywca.org

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