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## **Job Announcement**

### **Social Worker (MSW) Mobilization for Justice**

#### **BE A SOCIAL WORK HERO.**

#### **ADVANCE SOCIAL JUSTICE AND YOUR SOCIAL WORK CAREER WITH MOBILIZATION FOR JUSTICE!**

Does collaborating with a team of social justice advocates to protect the rights of vulnerable New Yorkers appeal to you? How about making a difference in your community while practicing social work in a variety of settings, with diverse populations and with greater autonomy, all while making a difference in your community? If so, join Mobilization for Justice and be a SOCIAL WORK HERO!

Mobilization for Justice (MFJ), a non-profit legal services organization that provides a wide range of free civil legal services to low-income New Yorkers, is seeking an MSW to provide holistic services to individuals and families struggling with mental health disabilities. The Social Worker will provide supportive counseling, benefits assistance, and home visits in efforts to address the immediate needs of our clients, while simultaneously striving to address the root causes of inequity. The Social Worker will work at MFJ's Bronx office, and will collaborate closely with the attorneys, paralegals, and other advocates of the Bronx arm of MFJ.

The Social Worker will have the opportunity to obtain clinical hours while working four days per week and the ability to work remotely at least one day per week.

#### **Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:**

- Providing case management support to individuals and families who are receiving legal services from MFJ attorneys and paralegal.
- Providing crisis intervention, assessments, and referrals to individuals with a wide range of mental health, substance use, physical disabilities, and psychosocial concerns.
- Advocating on behalf of our clients to access public benefits, social services, and medical care, in addition to other systems impacting our clients.
- Providing supervision and support to two graduate-level social work students.
- Conducting home visits to clients to assess housing conditions, assess client needs, and provide case management assistance throughout the Bronx.

#### **Requirements:**

- A demonstrated passion for social justice and a commitment to working with low-income communities and communities of color to advance equity.
- Master of Social Work degree, New York State license, and three years of experience as a social worker.
- SIFI certified or SIFI eligible.
- Experience providing case management to vulnerable populations.
- Familiarity with New York City institutions and social service systems.

- Experience providing client advocacy related to housing and benefits.
- Knowledge of and comfort working with people who experience mental health, substance use, illness-related and trauma-related conditions.
- Experience providing psychosocial assessments, short term counseling and crisis intervention.
- Outstanding organizational, interpersonal, writing and time management skills.
- Ability to balance an active caseload and travel between MFJ's offices, outreach sites, and agency offices and courts.
- Fluency in Spanish is preferred.

**Salary** is pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement. In The salary range for this position is \$71,254.74 to \$119,389.80

In addition to a competitive salary, the Social Worker will have access to MFJ's generous benefits package, including health benefits with no employee contribution to the cost; dental, vision, long-term disability and life insurance; pre-tax flex spending account and a transit check/voucher program; and participation in a 403(b)-tax deferred annuity plan to which MFJ contributes 7.5% of your salary after your one-year anniversary. The Social Worker also will receive 26 vacation days, two floating holidays, and 14 designated holidays each year.

Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume and writing sample to Rick Kahn, Bronx Office Managing Attorney, and transmit by e-mail to [rkahn@mfjlegal.org](mailto:rkahn@mfjlegal.org) and [recruitment@mfjlegal.org](mailto:recruitment@mfjlegal.org) with "BRONX MSW" in the Subject Line. We encourage all applicants to include in their cover letter a statement about how your background or experience might contribute to the diversity and perspective of our office. Early applications are appreciated. Interviews and hiring will be conducted on a rolling basis. No telephone inquiries please.

For further information about MFJ, please go to [www.mobilizationforjustice.org](http://www.mobilizationforjustice.org).

MFJ IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, sex, gender, age, religion, national origin, citizen status, marital status, physical or mental disability, military or veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected by law. BIPOC, women, people with disabilities, and LBGTQIA+ candidates are encouraged to apply.