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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
SOCIAL WORKER
GOVERNMENT BENEFITS PROJECT

Mobilization for Justice (formerly MFY Legal Services), a non-profit legal services organization that provides a wide range of free civil legal services to low-income New Yorkers, is seeking a social worker to join its Government Benefits Project. The social worker will help low-income New Yorkers who are having problems accessing or maintaining public benefits, including Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Public Assistance, Medicaid, Medicare, and rental subsidies.

MFJ's mission is to achieve justice for all. MFJ prioritizes the needs of people who are low-income, disenfranchised, or have disabilities as they struggle to overcome the effects of social injustice and systemic racism. We provide the highest-quality free, direct civil legal assistance, conduct community education and build partnerships, engage in policy advocacy, and bring impact litigation. We assist more than 14,000 New Yorkers each year, benefiting over 24,000. MFJ has a staff of more than 150 attorneys, paralegals, social workers, and support staff. It is a diverse, unionized, and collegial workplace where staff share the organization's mission to achieve social justice.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Conducting client intakes in person, on the telephone, and at community-based organizations, sometimes in the evenings.
- Helping clients with a wide range of government benefit problems.
- Assisting clients in completing relevant applications and forms.
- Providing advice, brief service, and advocacy.
- Advocating for clients with the Human Resources Administration and other government offices.
- Representing clients in fair hearings.
- Conducting community outreach, training, and education.
- Creating and updating community educational and training materials.
- Identifying systemic problems that MFJ can address through policy, advocacy and/or impact litigation.
- Working in coalition with community groups to address problems.
- Inputting and maintaining records in MFJ's case management system.

Requirements:

1. Master's degree in Social Work.
2. Demonstrated interest in working with older people and/or people who have disabilities.
3. Well-organized, capable of managing a diverse caseload, and demonstrated ability to balance multiple competing deadlines.
4. Excellent research and writing skills.

Preferred:

1. Experience helping clients with government benefits problems.
2. Fluency in Spanish, Mandarin, Cantonese, Russian, Haitian Creole, French, Bangla, Korean, Arabic, or Urdu.

BENEFITS & PERKS:**Work-Life Balance:**

Employees have the ability to work flexible hours and are able to work two days a week from home.

Paid Leave:

Parental Leave: Employees are granted up to 75 days of parental leave and may use sick and vacation days if they have them.

Summer Fridays: MFJ offices close early every Friday at 2pm starting Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Employer-Paid Healthcare Premiums:

MFJ provides employees with health, dental, and vision insurance at no cost to the employee. MFJ also provides additional benefits such as commuter benefits, FSA, HRA, and an Employee Assistance Program.

Salary is pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement with excellent fringe benefits. The salary range for this position is **\$69,303.69 to \$126,660.64.**

Applicants should email a cover letter, resume and writing sample to recruitment@mfjlegal.org, cc'ing kcremin@mfjlegal.org, with “**Government Benefits Project Social Worker 2026**” in the subject line. We encourage all applicants to include in their cover letter a statement about how their background or experience might contribute to the diversity and perspective of our office. Please indicate where you saw this ad. No telephone calls please.

For further information about MFJ, please go to 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.