SOCIAL WORKER (LCSW)

Land of Lincoln Legal Aid, Inc. seeks a Social Worker in its Client Support Service Program. The position is dedicated to preventing homelessness and ensuring safety and stability of Illinoisans. Land of Lincoln Legal Aid provides free civil legal services to low-income individuals in 65 counties in Illinois. We are committed to working for justice with those whose voices might otherwise not be heard; to empower individuals to advocate for themselves; and to make positive changes in the communities we serve. Our attorneys provide holistic legal advocacy in partnership with community organizations, social service agencies, and faith-based groups.

The Social Worker will assist in developing a Client Support Service Program and provide direct case services to housing clients in the East St. Louis regional office. The program is designed to have social work advocates work with attorneys and support staff in an interdisciplinary manner to help tenants facing eviction during the COVID pandemic. The Social Worker will also supervise case workers who will each be based out of a different regional office at Land of Lincoln.

Responsibilities include:
- Assist in developing a Client Support Service Program
- Supervise case workers and MSW practicum students
- Work with attorneys to develop appropriate strategies and case management for clients
- Work with clients to utilize all available resources to achieve successfully outcomes in their case
- Make appropriate referrals to outside agencies and coordinate with agencies to ensure client stability
- Maintain community resource library
- Actively participate and build relationships in community outreach and education
- Participate in staff meetings, housing task force meetings and program development activities as needed
- Participate in general office upkeep duties including computer data entry of intake information, filing, copying, and drafting reports
- Other duties as assigned

Qualifications:
- Minimum of a M.S.W. in Social Work and current LCSW licensure
- Strong commitment to social and racial justice
- Demonstrated ability to work with people of diverse social, economic, and racial/ethnic backgrounds.
- Attention to detail, as well as excellent verbal, interpersonal, analytical, writing, and organization skills
- Highly motivated and demonstrated ability to work independently as well as part of a team
- Experience in program development and measuring program impact strongly preferred

Special Working Conditions and Demands:
- Applicants must have reliable transportation, valid driver’s license, and car insurance
- Land of Lincoln Legal Aid attorneys are primarily working from home during the pandemic but must be able to attend court and video conference hearings

Compensation:
$40,000+ (depending on experience). Excellent insurance and retirement benefits.

Please send a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to the Managing Attorney:
Megan Kinney, mkinney@lincolnlegal.org

Land of Lincoln is an equal opportunity employer and strongly encourages applications from people of color, persons with disabilities, women, LBGTQIA+, and gender non-conforming applicants.