SERVICES PROVIDED:

Northwest Human Services through HOST Youth and Family Programs offers community-based social services for adolescents and their families. Runaway, homeless, and youth in crisis benefit from the services through HOST. HOST has several service areas for youth and their families that a student can work with, including: temporary shelter, transitional living, parent education, program development, and youth development. This practicum works with at-risk youth receiving services from HOST Youth and Family Programs and assists in creating an environment of Positive Youth Development.

PRACTICUM STUDENT REQUIREMENTS:

- Students need to be enrolled in their first or second year of the Human Services Program.
- Students must be able to relate well to youth that come from a diverse population.
- Students must be able to make independent decisions.

ROLE OF THE PRACTICUM STUDENT:

- Be responsible for agency safety and security.
- Use appropriate problem solving skills and decision-making skills at all times.
- Teach and encourage youth toward self and social responsibility.
- Role model healthy and effective communication skills.
- Communicate effectively with all staff, youth, parents and the public.
- Complete all necessary documentation.
- Meet regularly with supervisor.
- Attend staff meetings.
- Commitment to Northwest Human Services’ mission and values.
- Abide by agency and programs policies and procedures.
- Complete special projects as needed.
OPPORTUNITIES:

Students will be involved with Northwest Human Services’ HOST Youth and Family Programs, becoming aware of all aspects of Northwest Human Services’ agency program as well as the components of HOST Youth and Family Programs. Northwest Human Services is continuously hiring. Practicum students are encouraged to apply.

TO APPLY FOR PRACTICUM; click the link below.
http://www.northwesthumanservices.org/Employment.html

CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK WILL BE REQUIRED

As of April 15, 2011, practicum sites that use the Department of Human Services Background Check Unit will now conduct a weighing test and fitness determination when an individual has been identified as the perpetrator of abuse in certain cases of sexual abuse, physical abuse or financial exploitation. The Background Check Unit will specifically consider the most serious cases of abuse reported and substantiated from January 1, 2010, forward.

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