



STATE OF ILLINOIS

17th Judicial Circuit Winnebago-Boone Counties

Debbie L. Jarvis
Director, Department of Court Services

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT PROBATION OFFICER

Department
Winnebago County Juvenile Probation Division

Posting Date: 1/27/26
Closing Date: Until Filled

Job Title
INTERVENTION OFFICER

Hours: 10 am – 7 pm M-F

Salary
\$53, 197

Position Summary

Under the direction of departmental leadership, the Juvenile Probation Intervention Officer is responsible for the facilitation, coordination, and development of evidence-based programs designed to reduce recidivism and address criminogenic needs of justice-involved youth. This position plays a key role in delivering cognitive behavioral interventions, supporting family engagement, coordinating community service programming, and assisting with the monitoring of youth placed on In-Home Confinement. The Intervention Officer also researches emerging best practices and assists with program development and implementation efforts.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Facilitate evidence-based Cognitive Behavioral Programs for justice-involved youth.
 - Facilitate Parent Orientation Groups with Senior Probation Officers.
 - Research emerging trends, evidence-based practices, and innovations related to cognitive behavioral interventions and juvenile justice programming.
 - Assist in drafting proposals and recommendations for departmental implementation of new or enhanced programs.
 - Demonstrate comfort and competency in teaching, leading, and managing group-based programming with youth and adults.
 - Assist with monitoring youth placed on In-Home Confinement, in coordination with assigned probation staff.
 - Apply knowledge of best practices for addressing criminogenic needs, including working knowledge of the Risk, Needs, and Responsivity (RNR) model.
 - Coordinate the Public Service Work (PSW) Program, ensuring compliance with court-ordered community service requirements.
 - Develop, maintain, and strengthen partnerships with local community service worksites.
 - Track, document, and report PSW participation and completion as required.
 - Participate in required trainings, professional development, and ongoing education related to assigned duties.
 - Perform other related duties as assigned to support departmental operations and program goals.
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Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Knowledge of juvenile justice principles and evidence-based practices.
 - Understanding of cognitive behavioral interventions and criminogenic needs.
 - Working knowledge of the Risk, Needs, and Responsivity (RNR) model.
 - Familiarity with trauma-informed care, motivational interviewing and evidence-based practices is a plus.
 - Strong group facilitation, presentation, and communication skills.
 - Ability to engage youth and families from diverse backgrounds with professionalism, fairness and consistency
 - Ability to develop community partnerships and maintain collaborative relationships.
 - Strong organizational, documentation, and time-management skills.
 - Ability to work both independently and as part of a multidisciplinary team.
 - Bilingual (English/Spanish) preferred but not required.
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Minimum Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice, Social Work, Psychology, Education, or a related field.
- Experience working with justice-involved youth, group facilitation, or community-based programming preferred.
- Must be a resident of the State of Illinois or approved exemption.
- Valid driver's license.
- Must pass pre-employment background check and wellness exam including drug screen.
- Must comply with all federal and state laws; to include prohibition of the consumption, possession, sale, purchase or delivery of cannabis or cannabis infused substances.
- Must submit a state application for Probation and Court Services employment at:
<http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/Administrative/forms/Probation/Employment>

Location:
Juvenile Justice Center
211 S. Court Street
Rockford, IL 61101

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