October, 2018

POSITION TITLE: SELF-SUFFICIENCY/HOMEOWNERSHIP COORDINATOR

**Limited Service - Subject to Annual Funding** 

**DEPARTMENT:** Housing Program Administration

**REPORTS TO:** Director, Housing Program Administration

SUPERVISES: No Staff

**PURPOSE:** Coordinates and provides case management to Section 8 participants for the Family Self-Sufficiency program; performs coordination for the Section 8 Homeownership program. Performs case management activities, monitoring, service development, marketing, eligibility determinations and re-examinations. Generates interest in program participation by working with partnering service providers. Excellent communication skills are required in working with applicants, program participants, and community partners.

#### **ESSENTIAL TASKS OF THE POSITION:**

- 1. Coordinates and administers case management activities for the Family Self-Sufficiency program in conformance with regulatory agencies rules and requirements.
- 2. Conducts outreach and program marketing to Section 8 participants and partner organizations for FSS and the Homeownership program; works with team to develop marketing materials and assists with the development and implementation of the FSS Action plan as necessary.
- 3. Works in tandem with community organizations; serves as a liaison between participants and service providers. Provides referrals to clients for needed services. Conducts out-reach for services.
- 4. Creates participant plans for achieving increased economic self-sufficiency. Conducts assessments, coordinates services, establishes interim and final goals, and monitors compliance.
- 5. Reviews and makes recommendations regarding escrow withdrawals and graduations.
- Coordinates the Homeownership program for participants and complies with program rules and requirements. Determines eligibility, performs briefings and works closely with participants to ensure procedural compliance.
- 7. Works with partnering Homeownership Centers, lenders, realtors, inspectors and field staff. Monitors the home buying process to ensure compliance with regulatory rules and requirements.
- 8. Performs yearly re-exams and interims for homeowners.
- 9. Performs related work as required or assigned.

# **ESSENTIAL POSITION REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

#### **Education:**

- 1. Bachelor's Degree.
- 2. Additional experience, as defined below, may be substituted on a two for one year basis for the Bachelor's Degree.

### **Experience:**

1. Two years of work experience in social services. Experience in economic self-sufficiency programs; i.e. HUD Family Self-Sufficiency, Section 8 Homeownership, or related programs preferred.

#### **Skills and Abilities:**

- 1. Demonstrate strong commitment to the mission of the Vermont State Housing Authority.
- 2. Possess exceptional organizational and time management skills, working independently from a home or central office-base while maintaining individual workloads.
- 3. Working knowledge of state, federal and VSHA rules, regulations and program requirements pertaining to self-sufficiency programs; i.e. HUD Family Self-Sufficiency, Section 8 Homeownership, and related programs.
- 4. Thorough knowledge of social service agencies and programs in support of low income families and a working knowledge of the services and resources available to program participants.
- 5. Knowledge of effective social service and case management principals and practices.
- 6. Ability to interpret and apply program rules and regulations and make correct decisions in a timely manner.
- 7. Ability to meet goals and objectives set by the Authority within a specified time.
- 8. Maintain a varied workload, including writing reports and correspondence, maintaining computer data and files and effective record-keeping systems.
- 9. Must be reliable, dependable and be able to assess and resolve complex situations and handle them courteously in a logical, level-headed manner with sensitivity, empathy and tact.
- 10. Strong interpersonal skills; ability to maintain confidentiality; communicate and deal effectively orally and in writing; and establish and maintain professional relationships with supervisors, coworkers, program participants, other agencies, and the general public.
- 11. Ability to develop individual work plans; conduct interviews, make sound decisions and deal effectively with clients experiencing crisis.
- 12. Ability to present a professional image at all times.

13. Ability to utilize word processing, spreadsheet, database and other computerized programs, including internet systems; general office equipment, perform arithmetic functions, and maintain complex files.

# **Essential Certifications/Registrations/Licenses:**

- 1. Must have or be able to obtain (within one year of initial employment; subject to budget restrictions) required certification in HUD-funded programs.
- 2. Must possess a valid driver's license, dependable private means of transportation, and carry liability insurance of at least \$50,000.

## **Essential Working Conditions/Physical Demands:**

- 1. Full-time position, 40 hours per week, limited service subject to annual funding, classified position. Flexible working hours may be required.
- 2. Must be able to report to work on time and adhere to VSHA work schedules, rules and regulations.
- 4. Office and field environment. Work involves walking, standing, climbing stairs and driving on a regular basis.
- 5. Ability to bend over to low files and reach high files.
- 6. Ability to lift, carry, push, pull or otherwise move an object.

#### **EQUIPMENT USED:**

1. Computer, printers, scanner, telephone, TTY, FAX, photocopier, calculator, and general office equipment.

### **PAY CLASSIFICATION: 8**

Position is covered by a Collective Bargaining Agreement