**Job Posting: Catholic Charities**

**Anti-violence/Bereavement Community Counselor**

**Basic Functions**: Provides grief support to individuals, and families experiencing emotional and social distress resulting from the loss of a loved one from homicide. Provides additional support to community members coping with vicarious trauma through community violence. Clinician will be expected to assess client functioning and clients’ ability to cope with their own grief using a variety of approaches and interventions that meet clients’ needs. Counselor may lead support groups, provide psychoeducational presentations to community groups or consultations to schools and secondary settings. Counselor must be prepared to engage in ongoing community outreach as needed to promote trust and build relationships with those most likely to benefit from services. Must be able to tolerate expressions of deep distress and descriptions of how individuals died.

**Preferred experience**: Three to five years of counseling experience working with individuals, youth and families. Specialized training or clinical experience with grief and/or trauma counseling.

**Education:** Master’s Degree in Counseling, Social Work or other degree eligible for clinical license.

**Primary Work Location:** 5645 West Lake Street Chicago, Illinois

**Contact:** Deborah R. Major, 721 N. La Salle Street, Chicago, IL 60654

**Email:** dmajor@catholiccharities.net