Courtney Herrera

CONNECTIONS FOR ABUSED WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN (CAWC)

Time at Agency: 10.5 Years

Position: Haymarket Project Services

Coordinator

Commitment to advocacy on behalf of those affected by DV: Courtney has consistently demonstrated a level of dedication and passion that is truly commendable. Her commitment to supporting survivors is inspirational and she tirelessly seeks to empower survivors on their path to recovery and healing. What truly sets Courtney apart is her ability to combine her counseling expertise with her advocacy work. Her clients not only receive high-quality support and guidance but also benefit from her profound understanding of the broader context in which domestic violence occurs. This holistic approach has empowered countless individuals to break

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free from the cycle of abuse and rebuild their lives.

Personal qualities that reflect in their ongoing commitment to ethical, peaceful and respectful work with others: Courtney's approachability and genuine kindness put others at ease. Her development of strong, meaningful relationships is an essential quality in the DV field and exemplifies her commitment to building a network of support and understanding. Courtney's qualities collectively illustrate her ongoing commitment to ethical, peaceful, and respectful work with others in her advocacy for domestic violence survivors.

Ways in which they instill a spirit of advocacy in others: Courtneys ability to instill a spirit of advocacy in others is rooted in her personal qualities and extensive experience. One way she achieves this is by leading by example. Her actions speak louder than words, and her commitment to those principles inspires others

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Experience that demonstrates a broad commitment to social justice: Currently pursuing her master's degree in counseling, Courtney is committed to gaining an even deeper understanding of the complex issues surrounding domestic violence and trauma.

Creativity in building the domestic violence movement within a social framework: Courtney's creativity is evident in the design and facilitation of domestic violence education workshops. She uses interactive dynamic formats that encourage participants to actively engage, learn, and participate.