



Fall/Spring 2018-2019 CHILD & YOUTH PROGRAM INTERNSHIP/VOLUNTEER ANNOUNCEMENT: Outreach and Shelter

WHO WE ARE

Peaceful Paths is the only certified domestic violence center responsible for serving Alachua, Bradford and Union Counties. Our agency is committed to providing services to survivors of domestic violence. Our agency offers services such as legal advocacy, counseling, support groups, emergency food, clothing and hygiene supplies, emergency shelter and transitional housing.

THE OPPORTUNITY

Prospective interns who are selected will be working within our Child and Youth Program which provides services to our Outreach Office and Emergency Shelter. This internship gives firsthand experience in providing children's advocacy in addition to planning, facilitating children's support groups and providing childcare support. There will also be opportunities to intern/volunteer in other areas of the agency.

Interns will have the opportunity to work first hand with survivors and their children, providing support, learning to advocate and keep them emotionally and physically safe.

THE COMMITMENT

Those who are interested in applying for this internship should enjoy working with children from a variety of ages and backgrounds, and exhibit patience, understanding, empathy, and a commitment to the youth we serve. Our outreach/shelter locations are located in an area of town that does not have an evening bus route, so applicants should have their own reliable mode of transportation.

Interns should expect to work 6-8 hours a week with our Child and Youth program staff, with more hours available for those seeking credit. We provide support groups and services to our clients Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings. Interns are expected to be available 2 out of the 4 nights from 5:30-8:30 and one 3 hour block a month Fri-Sat. One 3-4 hour block per week during normal business hours for clerical work and program development is also required. Our children's program staff also meets bi-weekly, that meeting is scheduled based on the availability of the staff as a whole, and interns are expected to attend when available. Selected interns will also be required to complete our new advocate training which totals 24 hours. Attending this training **IS NOT OPTIONAL**. Those who do not complete the training will not be retained as an intern.

HOW TO APPLY

Information on this position can also be found on our website peacefulpaths.org/internships. To apply please submit your cover letter and resume to Ashley Mitchell at mitchella@peacefulpaths.org

Please apply by 11:59 pm on Wednesday July 25th, 2018

If you have questions or need clarification email mitchella@peacefulpaths.org or call Ashley Mitchell, Shelter Youth Advocate at (352) 377-5690 ext. 202