



## **VOLUNTEER PEER COUNSELOR POSITION DESCRIPTION**

**Objective of the position:** To reach out to clients in an unplanned pregnancy with the mercy and compassion of Jesus Christ by offering practical assistance in both word and action.

**Reports to:** The Center Director (or Client Services Director)

**Qualifications:**

1. Be a committed Christian who demonstrates a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord
2. Exhibit strong commitment and dedication to the pro-life position and sexual purity
3. Agree with and be willing to uphold the Statement of Principle, Statement of Faith, and policies of the center
4. Be able to respect and keep information confidential
5. Be dependable, stable, and capable of following through on commitments
6. Exhibit a sincere desire to reach out with the love of Jesus to people in distress
7. Understand basic interpersonal dynamics
8. Be able to identify and adjust to a client's pace of progress and growth
9. Be familiar with scripture pertaining to the sanctity of life, forgiveness, and salvation
10. Complete the pregnancy center volunteer training
11. Complete on-the-job training

**Essential Functions:**

1. Provide crisis intervention support for each client in an atmosphere of warmth and compassion through listening and other helping skills
2. Provide accurate information on abortion
3. Provide information on parenting, adoption, and foster care
4. Follow all policies and procedures regarding intake, helpline, and in-office duties
5. Offer support, material resources, and referrals appropriate to a client's situation
6. Look for teachable moments with a client in order to share the love of Jesus and His plan of salvation
7. Appropriately follow-up clients according to the policies and guidelines of the center
8. Keep up-to-date on statistics and information relating to pregnancy, abortion, and adoption through volunteer staff meetings, magazines, journals, and newspaper articles
9. Keep current on information in the pregnancy center referral system
10. Maintain all client records as indicated in center policies and guidelines
11. Attend volunteer staff meetings