

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Union Settlement Association, established in 1895, is the largest social service agency in East Harlem. The agency provides child care, after-school programs, youth development, college preparation, adult education (including ESL and GED), programs for the elderly, mental health services, and more. Union Settlement has approximately 400 dedicated employees who work from 14 different sites to serve over 13,000 local residents each year. In addition, one related entity – Union Settlement Federal Credit Union – offers complementary programs and services to the community. For additional information about Union Settlement, please visit our website at [www.unionsettlement.org](file:///N%3A%5CEmployment%20Opportunities%5CChild%20Care%5Cwww.unionsettlement.org).

**Position:** Program Assistant**/**Case Worker

**Department:** Senior Services

**Reports to:** Coordinator – Jefferson Senior Center

**Hours:** Full-Time

**FLSA**: Non-Exempt

**Position Summary:**

The Program Assistant**/**Case Assistance Worker is responsible for assisting the Senior Center Coordinator by organizing and providing at least one activity daily and providing case assistance services required by the DFTA contract to senior participants daily.

**Responsibilities:**

* In consultation with the Senior Center Coordinator, identify, plan, and lead one activity in the center daily.
* Provide support services to clients including, but not limited to the following areas:
* Refer clients who need case management or other in-depth services to appropriate resources.
* Provide information and referrals for Medicare and Medicaid eligibility and enrollment. Provide general assistance participants enrolled in these programs, as well.
* Provide information and referrals for Social Security eligibility and benefits collection.
* Provide information and assistance to obtain Food Stamps.
* Provide information and referrals for housing services.
* Provide information and assistance for Energy Share and other utility assistance programs.
* Provide information and referrals for the Meals on Wheels program.
* Provide translation services.
* Provide participants with assistance for correspondence, understanding and paying bills, and making appointments.
* Provide assistance for additional benefits and entitlements.
* Conduct intake and re-assessment for Senior Center participants. Assess participants’ eligibility for benefits and services under various programs for the aging.
* Provide follow-up case assistance related to entitlement and benefits, as needed, and

 maintain complete and accurate case records.

* Conduct outreach (phone calls, etc.) to all clients who are absent from the center for extended periods to determine the reason for absences, as well as to check on their well-being and satisfaction with the Senior Center.
* Advocate on behalf of seniors with social service and government agencies, and mediate as needed with those agencies.
* Attend appropriate training programs as requested by supervisor.
* Compile statistics, prepare reports, keep attendance, and other required records.
* Additional duties as assigned by supervisor.

**Qualifications:**

* Bachelor’s Degree in Social Work, Human Services, or related field with experience working with aging populations preferred; or 60+ college credits and four years demonstrated experience working with aging populations.
* Bilingual (English/Spanish) required.
* Strong verbal, written, clerical, organizational and problem solving skills.
* Demonstrated ability to perform multiple tasks effectively in a fast paced, challenging and constantly changing environment.
* Excellent computer skills.
* Excellent interpersonal skills.

**To Apply:**

Please send Cover Letter, Resume, Salary Requirements, and 3 References to:

Jobs@unionsettlement.org

Please indicate Program Assistant**/**Case Worker in subject of e-mail.

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