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# Cure Violence Columbus

CREATING AN EQUITABLE AND SAFE COLUMBUS FOR CHILDREN AND  
FAMILIES

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# Current State

- Processed over 30 applications with 8 progressing to interviews
- Advocated for higher livable wages and the removal of the GED/HS requirements to increase potential candidate pool
- Hired Jerome Lawson as the Director (22Q3) followed by the first Violence Interrupter who will start in February
- Established job skills development for staff to create a path for future job opportunities (GED, Mediation Training, Microsoft 365 Training, Data Entry, etc.)
- Continue to interview applicants for the final 6 spots

# Current State

- Established MOUs with several partners
  - Piedmont Hospital to have CVC staff operating inside the ER and hospital
  - United Way for potential funding opportunities
- Continue to focus on funding streams to support program expansion into other areas of concern
  - Senator Ossoff Appropriation 2023 \$1.2M (Not rewarded)
  - Governors Office of Planning and Budgeting \$1.2M ( Not rewarded)
  - Community Foundation Funding \$20K (Not rewarded)
  - Federal Re-entry Grant \$500K (In Progress)
  - Sen. Ossoff 2024 Appropriation (In Progress)
- Secured workspace inside Valley Health Services for staff

# Community Efforts

## RE-ENTRY INITIATIVE

- Create pathway for all newly released individuals
- Established programs through Columbus Health Department
- Connect other community re-entry efforts to create multifaceted channels aimed at addressing barriers
- Identify needed resources to activate beta initiative by 23Q2
- Focus on housing, credentials, jobs training, trade certificates

## TRANSITION HOUSING INITIATIVE

- Determine housing programs needed for men transitioning from prison
- Create restoral process to address needed credentials

## UW 211 DIRECTORY INITIATIVE

- Campaign to create an all-encompassing directory
- Identify missing sectors
- Update existing listing and procedures



# Community Efforts

- In 2022 partnered with Civic Center and YMCA on 3 E-Sports events
- Engaged with Parks and Rec on their CYB championship weekend at Frank Chester Rec Center
- Participated in the Boys and Girls Club Teen Summit and Teen Night Out this summer
- Working with Turn Around Columbus to advance the progress of the Carver Victory Garden and Farm through our relationships with Rotary and Leadership Columbus
- Sending referrals to Goodwill's BRIDGE GED Program
- Collaborated with Rotary of Columbus and StartUp Columbus on educational workshops for students at Carver HS
- Using GCCC Leadership Columbus program to introduce students to the CV program and the issues we are focused on
- Creating additional Friday night events across the city

# 23Q1 Outlook

- Transition operation duties to Director Jerome Lawson
- Work to fill the remaining staff slots
- Continue our pursuit of additional funding for expansion
- Get the MOU completed and signed with Piedmont Hospital
- Partner with the Boys and Girls Club on the next Teen Summit and Teen Night Out events
- Work to get the re-entry BETA initiative in place and started



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## Social Services Tech Supervisor (Cure Violence Director)

Originally posted on June 10th, 2022 by Monica Coleman

Last updated on July 8th, 2022 at 2:04 pm

Posted in Jobs

Tag: Columbia Dept. of Public Health, Employment

POSTING DATE: JULY 8, 2022

APPLICATION DEADLINE: OPEN UNTIL FILLED

This position is subject to close once a satisfactory applicant pool has been identified

Temporary, Full-Time Position

KEY GRADE: G District Entry/Entry Salary: \$32,248.75/year  
Salary based on education and experience

LOCATION: District Administration, West Central Health District Office, 2180 Corner Ave., Columbus, GA, 2nd Floor, Health & Human Services Center

Cure Violence is a strategic evidence-based public health approach to reduce and prevent shootings and killings in communities with a high burden of homicide. This position is responsible for overall management of the program and Cure Violence team. This position is also responsible for building relationships with community-based groups, residents, elected officials, and law enforcement to educate community stakeholders about the Cure Violence program, to identify resources, collaboration efforts, and to assist community mobilization efforts around the issue of violence in order to help facilitate community norm change. Requires flexibility to travel and work various community sites in Columbus.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelor's Degree in a social service-related field from an accredited college or university AND Two years of experience in a social services related field, with at least one year in a supervisory role OR high school diploma or GED AND Four years of experience in a social services related position, with one year in a supervisory role OR One year of experience at the lower West Central Services Tech 3 (931142) or position equivalent.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Self-motivated team player with a desire to succeed and learn, good motivational skills to encourage participation and training, ability to manage multiple duties simultaneously, Have a working knowledge of the City of Columbus community.

All West Central Health District employees are deemed essential workers in the event of an emergency. As such, you may be called on to participate in an event including but not limited to staffing a shelter, working at a Specimen Plant or Collection Site (SPOC) and/or working at a Plant of Disposition site (POD). If you are called on to participate, you are required to report to the designated site as a condition of employment, whether the emergency occurs during or outside regular work hours.

An applicant who has a disability, which requires special accommodations, should contact Human Resources at 706-321-6127.

All Applicants Must Apply At: [www.dph.georgia.gov](http://www.dph.georgia.gov). Click on "Work for DPH" then "Careers". Locate the position and Click "Apply" to begin your application.

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Cure Violence Outreach Worker

POSTING DATE: JULY 8, 2022

APPLICATION DEADLINE: JULY 15, 2022 12:00NOON

This position is subject to close once a satisfactory applicant pool has been identified

Temporary Full-Time, Hourly Position

\$15.00 per hour

LOCATION: District Administration, West Central Health District Office, 2180 Corner Ave., Columbus, GA, 2nd Floor, Health & Human Services Center

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