

THE DENVER CENTER FOR CRIME VICTIMS
Job Description

Job Title: Victims Assistance Internship / Undergraduate

Agency Address: The Denver Center for Crime Victims
P.O. Box 18975, Denver CO 80218

Location: Capitol Hill neighborhood

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Contact Persons: Kathi Fanning, Director of Training and Volunteer Services

Services: Crisis intervention and emotional support via a 24-hour Hotline for crime victims; short-term counseling sessions; support groups for victims and co-victims; training and supervising volunteers. Special programs provide assistance to children, youth and families; and for victims who are elderly or who have a disability.

Clientele: Anyone who becomes a victim of crime in the City and County of Denver or is a resident of Denver at the time the crime occurs.

Population:

Ethnic:	African American – 21%
	Latino – 29%
	White – 29%
	American Indian - 3%
	Asian – 1%
	Biracial/Multiracial – 4%
	Other ethnicity – 4%
	Unknown - 9%
Cultural:	Low Income – 54%
	Physically Impaired- 14%
	Visually Impaired - 2%
	Hearing Impaired – 1%
	Mentally/Emotionally Disabled – 7%
	Elderly – 6%

Mission: The Denver Center for Crime Victims’ purpose is to assist crime victims and provide crime prevention education. A victim is any individual who has been directly or indirectly injured by another’s criminal act that resulted in physical, psychological, social or economic harm. Included are persons victimized as a result of age, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, disability or national origin.

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Internship Opportunities:	Associates or Bachelor's Level: Learn to provide case management, crisis intervention and emotional support via a 24-hour Hotline for crime victims; assist Specialists in providing assistance for victims who are elderly or who have a disability, for children who are victims of crime and their families, and for victims requiring specialized long-term assistance. Visit and observe other victim assistance programs; police ride-along with the Denver Police Department; network with other service providers; and community outreach.
Supervision:	Kathi Fanning, M.S., L.P.C., Director of Training and Volunteer Services Clinical: Kent Webb, LCSW, Clinical Supervisor (Required clinical supervision currently is done in group setting on Wednesday.) Orientation: Non-judgmental, client-centered.
Work Schedule:	Minimum of 15-20 hours per week (weekdays 9:00-5:00)
Qualifications:	Interest in and desire to acquire skills in crisis intervention theories and practice; some knowledge of victimology/PTSD and client-centered therapy helpful; excellent active listening skills needed as well as an empathetic non-judgmental perspective on crime victimization; ability to work well with a wide range of populations; good problem-solving skills an asset as well as a sense of humor!
Salary:	Unpaid.
Number of Intern Positions:	5.

The DCCV is an equal opportunity employer. As such, reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities will be made in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).