



BLOOM FOR WOMEN INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Bloom for Women, Inc is a non-profit organization dedicated to empowering women survivors of sex trafficking and exploitation in the Lehigh Valley.

An internship at Bloom involves engaging with women who have a history of sex trafficking, sexual exploitation, and sexual abuse. Other recurring themes will include substance use, violence, criminality, and homelessness. Interns will have the opportunity to assist with various tasks relating to the care of the participants. Using a trauma-informed and strengths-based approach when engaging with participants is vital and expected of all Bloom staff and interns.

Bloom is seeking interns who can commit a minimum of **10 hours per week** over the course of at least one full semester. A majority of these hours must be **daytime hours (before 5pm)**. Bloom residences do not have 24/7 staff and minimal evening or weekend hours would be available on a case-by-case basis. Willingness and ability to transport participants is required.

Available internship supervisors at Bloom hold credentials in the social work field including LSW, MSW, and BSW. All interns will meet regularly with the assigned supervisor for processing, continuing education, and review. A task supervisor may be utilized as needed.

Social work/counseling/psychology graduate level interns:

- Engage with survivors within Bloom residences or as part of outreach services in the community. Survivor needs may include crisis management, de-escalation, discussions of trauma responses, progress in recovery, employment, or referrals for legal services or other forms of medical or mental health care.
- Observe individual goal planning and group therapy sessions and maintain detailed case notes and documentation.
- Provide case management and referral services for participants.
- Coordinate daily activities for participants and manage ongoing needs of the home.
- Transport participants to/from appointments and activities as needed (must have valid driver's license and clean driving record).
- Participation at staff meetings, Bloom events, and trainings when available.
- Maintain confidentiality and report critical information in a timely manner.

Social work/counseling/psychology undergraduate level interns:

- Provide case management and referral services for participants.
- Complete phone inquiry screenings and provide referral to other services when needed.
- Observe and assist with planning and implementation of group activities.



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Opportunities for interns with other majors:

- Assist Bloom office staff with various tasks and projects related to outreach, development, marketing, social media, and event planning.
- Assist Bloom programming staff with various house projects including home improvement, organization, and activity planning.
- Assist programming staff with establishing community connections, building community resources list, and transportation of participants as needed.
- Assist Lehigh Valley Anti-Trafficking (LVAT) Week Collaborative with event planning, sponsorships, marketing, social media, and connecting with community partners for November LVAT week.