

ORGANISATIONAL OVERVIEW

ABOUT OUR ORGANISATION

The Centre for Non-Violence Inc. (CNV) is a well established organisation, with over 20 years' experience in providing specialist family violence programs and services for women and children experiencing family violence and at risk of homelessness, men who use violence in the family and working with families across the continuum of response, early intervention and primary prevention. We provide a range of services for women and children experiencing family violence; programs for men who use violence in the family, including men's behaviour change programs, Making aMENds (a newly developed program for early intervention and working with the whole family), enhanced intake and case management; a young women's housing program for young women aged 15 to 25 who are pregnant and/or parenting and at risk or experiencing homelessness.

CNV works collaboratively with key stakeholders and partners regionally and statewide, to implement primary prevention approaches, innovative projects and influence coordinated community responses and policy to prevent violence against women and their children. CNV provides a key leadership role and auspices positions that support policy and practice integration and coordination implementation, including: Loddon Campaspe Family Violence Principal Strategic Advisor Co-ordinator and the Loddon Mallee Homelessness Network Coordinator, Communities for Children (C4C) and statewide advisory roles. CNV is active leader and innovator in primary prevention, community education and engagement projects, activities and initiatives.

CNV is also the lead agency for the Loddon Campaspe Integrated Family Violence Consortium that is funded to deliver the full suite of services for women and children experiencing family violence, and programs for men who use violence towards family members.

CNV is a child safe organisation. We value, respect and listen to children and young people. We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children and young people, including the cultural safety of aboriginal children and young people, culturally and/or linguistically diverse children and young people, gender and sexually diverse children and young people and children with a disability.

CNV has an Employee Bargaining Agreement with its staff, which allows both negotiated salary packaging and flexible working arrangements.

CNV Inc. is duly accredited to both DHS (State) and QIC (National) Standards. Continuous quality improvement is an agency expectation.

[Vision Statement](#)

Gender and social equality in a violence free world.

[Statement of Purpose](#)

CNV Inc. is working towards its vision of a society free from violence, homelessness, discrimination, poverty and oppression by:

- Being responsive to the needs of women and their children through providing information, resources, housing options, referral, advocacy, education and support;
- Designing and delivering education, prevention and recovery programs;
- Ensuring women and children's rights are upheld;
- Challenging structural, legal and social inequities and advocating for change;

- Advocating for affordable, secure and safe housing options;
- Increasing community awareness of the social and systemic issues affecting women and children.

Philosophy & Principles

CNV Inc. will be guided by a feminist philosophy and the following principles in its relations with service users, staff, other stakeholders and the wider Community.

- RESPECT is an active conscious process that acknowledges differences and accommodates conflict. CNV Inc. will work in a consistently respectful manner thus ensuring its practice is non-judgmental, validating, confidential, supportive and acknowledges the intrinsic value of each person. Respect engenders trust, empathy and equality between people;
- CO-OPERATION by valuing the strengths and ideas of others. CNV Inc. works collaboratively to develop and maintain relationships to achieve the best outcome(s);
- SOCIAL JUSTICE is an integral part of CNV Inc. practice, actively advocating structural and social change and the development of a society that is just, equitable and respects human rights;
- EMPOWERMENT, supporting women and children through a power sharing approach to identify their own needs and make informed decisions utilising their strengths. Empowerment engenders self-determination and promotes resilience;
- TRANSPARENT AND INCLUSIVE PRACTICES ensure rights are protected and advocated for and that the service is accountable to stakeholders and the Community;
- DECISION MAKING processes based on participation, consultation and information sharing, whilst respecting and acknowledging different roles, responsibilities, functions and skills

POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION SUMMARY

Title:	Team Leader
Classification:	Social and Community Services Award (SACS Award) Social Worker Class II. Translates to Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Award 2010 – Level 6 range and pay point dependent upon qualifications and experience.
Team/Unit:	Client Services program
Work Location:	Office base is Bendigo, the scope of Client Services programs covers the DHHS Loddon area
Hours:	1.0 EFT (38 hours per week)
Contract:	On-going role
Salary Range:	Salary Range \$84,968 to \$88,827 annually. Hourly rate \$43.00 to \$44.95. Salary and conditions of employment are as per Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010 (SCHADS) and the Employee Bargaining Agreement (EBA). Copies of both the SCHADS Award and EBA are available at our office.
Hours of Work:	Normal hours of work are between 9am and 5.06pm Monday to Friday. Some additional out of hours work may be required.
Accountability:	Senior Manager Outreach Services, Client Services
Travel:	Travel will be required throughout the Loddon region

POSITION DETAILS

Position Context

CNV Inc. has three major areas of operation: Client Services, Prevention and Development and Operations.

Our [Client Services](#) Division delivers a range of programs to the community including domestic violence outreach services for women and children experiencing family violence and/or homelessness; counselling for women and children experiencing family violence; young women's housing programs; programs for men who use violence towards family members including men's behaviour change, enhanced intake and case management.

There are small integrated teams of workers with representation of our various client programs including those supporting men, women and children. Teams work with clients from intake to closure using a key worker model.

Our [Prevention and Development](#) Division provides a range of community engagement, research, advocacy and prevention programs including the auspices of the Family Violence Regional Integration Co-ordination program and Loddon Mallee Homelessness Network including the regional Children's Resource Worker program.

Our [Operations](#) Division is responsible for all of our human resources, asset and financial management, OHS, quality assurance and administrative support to the organisation.

An Annual Work Plan guides the organisational priorities, which are informed by the CNV Strategic Plan and Continuous Quality Improvement Work Plan.

This position offers an opportunity to work with a respected community organisation and its skilled teams, to develop new skills, to participate in professional development and community education in several vital fields (family violence and homelessness), and to work across collaborative partnerships.

POSITION OBJECTIVE

- Provide direction, leadership and supervision of staff within the team;
- Provide assistance to the Leadership and Management team with program planning, monitoring and evaluation;
- Ensure the provision and measurement of high quality client-centered services which meet relevant regulatory standards;
- Develop the team to support high quality outcomes for clients using services;
- Co-ordinate the work demands including prioritising demand based on risk and urgency.

KEY RESPONSIBILITY AREAS

- Day to day program service delivery ensuring the provision of high quality services to clients.
- Champion the strategic plan and quality work plan to staff.
- Oversee, support and strengthen intake, assessment and allocation processes and systems.
- Establishing and maintaining networks and partnerships with key community, family violence, family and children's services.
- Maintaining accurate file records, fulfil data collection requirements and all other documentation required in a professional and timely manner.
- Contributing to the broader Client Services team and to the practice within Client Services
- Ensuring that our feminist philosophy and client services frameworks focusing on holistic and integrated care underpins all service delivery.
- Service planning, innovation and quality, including risk management, ensuring service interventions are evidence-based and reflect best practice and adhere to relevant standards
- Provide direction, leadership and supervision of staff.
- Provide support and mentoring to staff with ongoing performance monitoring and facilitate appropriate measures to ensure that the team and individual skills, knowledge, efficiency and effectiveness are maintained to meet individual and team performance outcomes.
- Ensure a safe and healthy work environment in accordance with policies and procedures.
- Build a supportive team environment that maximizes the individual strengths and capabilities of each team member.
- Participate in the development, regular review and implementation of policies and practice frameworks in Client Services.
- Higher duties as required.

COMPETENCIES

- Management Accountability - Ability to lead skilfully within delegated responsibilities; encourage open discussion; and Behave with Integrity - Uphold and model the vision and values of CNV Inc. Treat people fairly and with respect, ability to work within a feminist framework;
- Resilience – Perseveres to achieve goals, copes effectively, remains calm and in control when under pressure;
- Decisiveness – uses available information and exercises good judgement to make sound, timely and well-informed decisions;
- Managing and Measuring Work - Ability to clearly assign responsibility for tasks and decisions; set clear objectives and performance requirements; monitor process, progress and outcomes; and design feedback loops into supervision;
- Negotiating - Ability to negotiate skilfully in difficult situations with staff and the broader service system; to be both direct and diplomatic;
- Code of Ethics – models and promotes organisational values and adhere to CNV's Code of Ethics. Ensure Core values are reflected in decision making and everyday behaviour in professional relationships and direct services;
- Managerial courage - Ability to provide timely and constructive feedback to staff; make difficult decisions and address practice and performance issues;
- Behaving with Integrity - Uphold and model the vision and values of CNV Inc. Treat people fairly and with respect, ability to work within a feminist framework;
- Resilience - Perseveres to achieve goals, copes effectively, remains calm and in control when under pressure;
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KEY SELECTION CRITERIA

Mandatory

1. Tertiary qualifications in Social Work, Psychology, or other relevant discipline with a minimum of 3 years relevant experience.
2. Extensive experience in supervising, leading and mentoring staff in a community services field with demonstrated experience to problem solve, encourage and influence change within a team and the ability to lead, motivate, develop and mentor staff.
3. Extensive experience including intake, assessment, case management and service development as it relates to women, children/young people who have experienced family violence and trauma.
4. Extensive knowledge of family violence risk assessment and management frameworks;
5. High level communication and interpersonal skills with the capacity to liaise effectively with a wide range of clients and service providers including the ability to work cooperatively as a member of a team.
6. Ability to work with limited supervision and cooperatively within a team, with the flexibility to adapt to changing priorities and commitment to continuous improvement.
7. Knowledge and understanding of family violence within a gendered, feminist structure and men's use of violence against women and its impact on children / adolescents.

Desirable

1. Management qualifications or at least 3 years' experience.
2. Knowledge of integrated family violence service delivery to victims (primarily women and children) and perpetrators (primarily men).
3. Demonstrated knowledge of Victorian family violence legislation and relevant practice frameworks.

Inherent requirements of the role

- Current Victorian Driver's License.
- Current Police Check.
- A Working with Children Check.

APPLICATION PROCESS

How to apply

To be considered for shortlisting and an interview, applications must include the following:

- Covering letter.
- Each Key Selection Criteria must be addressed, and it is essential that the information you provide is clear, concise and most importantly relevant, so that the selection panel can readily assess your application. You will need to demonstrate that you have the necessary knowledge, experience and qualifications to successfully carry out the duties of the position.
- Current Resume.
- The names and contact details of three professional referees, ideally one should be from your supervisor and from your most recent employer.
- All application enquiries, please contact Cate Moloney (03) 5430 3000.

Safety Screening and Mandatory Criteria

- All competitive applicants are subject to a satisfactory National Police History Check as part of the recruitment assessment process;
- Applicants who have lived overseas for 12 months or longer during the past 10 years are required to provide the results of an international police check;
- A current Employee Working with Children Check (WWCC) card is required and will need to be provided prior to commencement of employment by the applicant. Currency will need to be maintained by the employee for the period of employment;
- All employees are subject to child safety screening and assessment against child safety standards as part of our thorough recruitment process;
- Employee's must hold a valid driver's licence.

CLOSING DATE:APPLICATIONS

Monday 23rd September 2019 at 4.00pm

Email to:

vacancies@cnv.org.au

Or mail to:

People and Culture Manager
Centre for Non-Violence Inc
P.O. 958, Bendigo 3552

Mark envelope:

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RELEVANT INFORMATION

BENEFITS OF WORKING WITH CNV

- Attractive salary packaging, can earn up to \$15,860 tax free
- Above award wages and generous EBA conditions
- Excellent work/life balance
- Supportive and friendly organisational culture
- On-going training and development opportunities

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

All employees are responsible for ensuring that they comply with all CNV's policies and procedures. All employees are responsible for the efficient and effective use of resources.

All employees are expected to work as part of a committed team that meets clients' expectations by providing a responsive and high quality service delivery, in a respectful and dignified manner. This includes being part of the delivery of programs and services to standards of improvement required for our accreditation process.

PRE-EMPLOYMENT CHECKS

CNV has a duty of care to its clients to create and maintain a safe, health working environment; therefore, any persons employed by CNV will be required to undergo satisfactory pre-employment checks, including 3 professional referees, a pre-existing Health declaration, a criminal records check and proof of identify and qualifications. Only criminal history that is relevant to the inherent requirements of the position is taken into consideration.

PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITION CHECK

Under Victorian WorkCover legislation, it is the applicant's duty to advise CNV of any pre-existing medical condition/s, which could be aggravated by the type of employment for which they are applying. The existence of a medical condition will not preclude you from employment, unless you are unable to perform the inherent requirements of the position. However, failure to disclose any relevant injury or disease will jeopardise any entitlement you may otherwise have for a work-related aggravation of that non-disclosed pre-existing condition.

CODE OF ETHICS

The code of ethics provides the parameters for acceptable and unacceptable behaviour while at work or while on work related business off site. All employees of CNV are to act in the best interest of CNV as a whole with honesty, in good faith and with due care and diligence. All employees must comply with CNV's Code of Ethics and agree to work according to our values of; Respect, Co-Operation, Social Justice, Empowerment, Transparent and Inclusive Practices Decision Making.

CNV has a zero tolerance of child abuse and our Code of Ethics enforces appropriate behaviour and expectations with children. A Child Safety Officer has been appointed and can answer questions or concerns in relation to child safety.

PROBATION PERIOD

The position is subject to a 6-month probation period during which time you will receive advice and guidance to help you become familiar with and competent in performing the requirements of the position. During this period, either party can terminate employment with one week's notice. A probationary review before 6 months will be undertaken.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

CNV is committed to providing a safe and healthy work environment to all employees. Employees are expected to perform their duties in accordance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004 and all Regulations, Codes of Practice and Council policies and procedures. In addition, employees are expected to:

- Conduct themselves in a manner that will not endanger themselves or others;
- Participate in Occupational Health and Safety training;
- Assist with audits of work procedures, equipment and workplaces.
- Identify areas of improvement and contribute ideas and suggestions that promote safety awareness.
- Be aware of emergency procedures and codes.
- Report unsafe work practices, incidents, hazards and near misses.
- Report unacceptable workplace behaviours such as harassment and bullying.

Any OH&S matters must be reported to either the OH&S Rep, General Manager, Operations or the relevant Manager.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Employees are required to follow all policies and procedures in relation to risk management.

Employees are expected to:

- Participate in risk assessments.
- Demonstrate an understanding of, and a commitment to, CNV's Risk Management Framework
- Report all hazards and incidents of which they become aware.

USE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Employees shall not use confidential information to gain advantage for themselves or for any person or body, nor shall they use this information improperly to cause harm to any person, body or CNV.

Both during and after employment with CNV, employees must not:

- Communicate confidential or private information to third parties.
- Make use of any information gained through employment at the Shire for any purpose other than the discharge of official duties.

PRIVACY

CNV is governed by the Information Privacy Act 2000 and the Australian Privacy Principles (APPS) and is committed to protecting the information it collects, monitoring its use and maintaining its integrity. Therefore, any information collected will be solely for the primary purpose intended and will be destroyed when no longer required.

NON-SMOKING POLICY

CNV has a no-smoking policy which prohibits smoking in all CNV's buildings and vehicles.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

CNV offers a work environment free of discrimination, sexual or other harassment, victimisation, vilification and bullying. Employees are expected to contribute to the maintenance of such a work environment.

DIVERSITY

CNV is an Equal Opportunity Employer; values diversity and encourages applications from Indigenous people, people living with disabilities and culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.