

Volunteer Opportunity

Collective Mentoring Circles: Nova Services

Collective Mentoring Circles is designed to create a special group of community “elders” who monitor, support, and guide each participating juvenile offender, their parents and victim. It addresses all needs and issues through a holistic approach. The program stresses accountability, responsibility and development of a healing process. The Circle is organized by a “keeper” and it could include representatives from schools, clergy, law enforcement, and other figures respected and selected by the offender. Victims are also encouraged to participate. Collective Mentoring Circle develops an agreement based on needs and issues. The agreement may involve referral to other human service or health professionals depending on the assessed need of the juvenile offender. This could include, but is not limited to, participation in alcohol and drug abuse treatment, reparations programs, anger management, mental health programs, other mentoring programs, positive activity and school-base initiatives. It could also include parental participation in support programs.

Collective Mentoring Circles creates a collaborative, interactive, systematic approach among community support systems to modify the behavior of the juveniles that participate. It also addresses the underlying causes of juvenile criminal behavior and promotes and shares community values.

Volunteer support is imperative within this program to assist juveniles and the community through this healing process. Through involvement in this program, volunteers will be provided with an opportunity to contribute to our community along with providing direction to the youth within our area. This program also provides an opportunity for volunteers to share their expertise, experience and resource knowledge. But most of all, this program offers an opportunity to be personally involved in the lives of others and give back to the community in a positive way.

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