



Agency Name: HomeWorks Trenton

Overview of the Agency and Population Served:

HomeWorks Trenton is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides a community-based, after-school boarding program for Black and Brown high school girls in Trenton, New Jersey. Our mission is to inspire and equip young women from marginalized communities to achieve their potential and positively transform the world around them by providing a supportive and educational residential environment. From Sunday evenings to Friday mornings, our scholars live in the HomeWorks house and are transported to and from their public schools. Every afternoon, the girls engage in activities focused on academics, life skills, women empowerment, and civic engagement. They then eat a family-style meal and stay overnight in our dorm with two full-time staff.

Our unique model brings the benefits of the boarding school experience to public education without the bureaucracy, high fixed costs and scalability issues of an actual school. We partner with Trenton schools, families, and community partners to create this unique residential experience alongside scholars' communities. We aim to create an individual impact when scholars regularly attend school and achieve academic and social-emotional growth; a community impact where scholars uplift each other and lead their communities; and a global impact that disrupts inequitable systems of gender and race.

Volunteer Position Title: HomeWorks Trenton Social Emotional & Identity Learning Facilitator

Position Description:

As HomeWorks' Social-Emotional and Identity Learning facilitator, you will serve as a high quality facilitator who has a professional and personal dedication to our scholars' social-emotional development and achievement. In this role, you will provide twice monthly 2-hour bi-weekly group discussion sessions for our cohort of about 13 scholars, starting on 9/12/2021 to 1/9/2022 with the exception of national holidays and closure dates observed in the Trenton Public School calendar.

Session Topic Suggestions:

Loving Yourself

Understanding and Addressing Stereotypes

Civil Rights Issues Then and Now

The Fine Line between being Mean or Honest

Colorism & Discrimination

Conflict Resolution

Media Persuasion and Discernment

Bullying Political Issues

HomeWorks plans to run a full-year residential program from September 2021 to June 2022, but will adapt to COVID-19 guidelines and regulations as necessary.

Responsibilities:

- Engage scholars with a curriculum that masterfully weaves the theoretical and interpersonal applications of social-emotional skills.
- Challenge scholars to engage their identities and the real-world impacts of their marginalization
- Provide assistance to staff in the design and implementation of appropriate social-emotional interventions and accommodations for scholars.
- Contribute to program development that furthers the integration of social, coping, and problem solving in the House.

Desired Qualities:

- Strong commitment to HomeWorks' mission, values and scholars.
- Extensive experience with youth (experience with youth in Trenton preferred).
- Demonstrate expertise in psychological assessment and behavioral mental health service delivery
- Preferably possess a minimum of two years experience as a social and emotional learning professional working with school age children and young adults.
- Trustworthy, professional, and reliable.
- Excellent communication skills.

Dates of Dedication:

- From September 12th, 2021 to January 9th, 2022 the Homeworks' Social Emotional and Identity learning facilitator will lead group discussion sessions twice a month from 3pm-5pm at the HomeWorks house during the program.
- Dates Include:
 - 9/13/2021
 - 9/27/2021
 - 10/11/2021
 - 10/25/2021
 - 11/8/2021
 - 11/22/2021
 - 12/6/2021
 - 12/20/2021
 - 1/10/2022

Terms of Compensation:

This is a volunteer position, no monetary compensation will be offered.