

#### Union Township Community Action Program Job Description

## **Companion Aide**

## **Position Purpose**

The successful candidate will provide basic and routine upkeep and management of the residence of a Senior Citizen

in the Community. This will remove housekeeping barrier, allowing the Companion Aide Client to remain in their

place of residence and living independently for as long as possible.

# Essential Job Responsibilities: Performance Indicators

**Client Contact (95)** 

- 1. Provide light housekeeping services such as laundry, dusting, dish washing, cleaning, meal preparation, cleaning floors and disposing of garbage
- 2. Housekeeping services shall be done in such a way to ensure that primary responsibility for the home remains with the client
- 3. Routine errands such as grocery shopping on behalf of the client (can only accompany client if taking public transportation)
- 4. Ongoing monitoring of client to detect any changes and provide information about client changes to supervisor so that the appropriate referral can be made.
- 5. Respond to crisis or emergency situations that may occur while providing services.

#### Written Documentation (5%)

1. Maintain accurate written records of time spent with each Companion Aide Client; including securing the signature of the client during each visit to document delivery of service.

# **Minimum Requirements:**

- Minimum of a High School Diploma is required.
- CPR & First Aid certified
- Health Appraisal Questionnaire is required at hire and will be updated every two years.

# Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

• Caring, patient and compassionate individual, who is sensitive to the needs of the Senior population who is willing to work a minimum of 20 hours per week to do light household chores, laundry, meal preparation and provide companionship

- Effective oral communication skills required •
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- Ability to respond appropriately to an emergency or a crisis situation. Regular driving or taking public transportation to get to and from Companion Aide Clients' residences who ٠ could be located anywhere within Union County
- Regular kneeling, stooping, and bending as associated with housekeeping responsibilities •
- Occasional lifting up to 50 lbs.

### **Position Information**

- Part-time Position/non exempt •
- Supervised by Executive Director •