

HOPE Works SVAM CREW 2012!

DESCRIPTION: This short-term volunteer opportunity is perfect for someone who has interest in the areas of Event Management, Social Work, Women and Gender studies, or Psychology. The SVAM Crew is asked to complete 20 hours of crisis worker training. Trainings will be held in March. Once you complete training, you will be asked to participate in two or three events during Sexual Violence Awareness Month (April). Once SVAM is over, you do not hold any formal obligations to the agency. Thus, if sexual violence is an issue you feel strongly about and you are looking for a short-term opportunity to help, become part of the SVAM Crew!

QUALIFICATIONS: This volunteer opportunity requires a candidate who is dependable and has a basic knowledge of sexual violence issues. Interested candidates should contact Jeanne Kaczka-Valliere at 864-0555 ex. 25 or at Jeanne@stoprapevermont.org

HOPE Works
Event Volunteer Application Form

Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____ Phone: _____
E-mail: _____

What is the best way to reach you? And what time is the best?

Are you a student: _____ If yes, Where? _____

Have you used our services within the last 6 months? Yes: _____ No: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a sexual offense? Yes: _____ No: _____

As a social change volunteer, are you able to make the following commitments?

I can commit to attending 20 hours of training.	Yes: _____	No: _____
I can volunteer for one year (or two semesters).	Yes: _____	No: _____
I can volunteer at one event per month.	Yes: _____	No: _____

Please identify if you are interested in the following (you can choose as many as you would like):

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| 1. Staffing information tables at events and conferences. | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |
| 2. Posting information in the community about services and upcoming events. | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |
| 3. Helping with mass mailings, or other office tasks. | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |
| 4. Providing support for survivors at events. | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |
| 5. Participating in major events like Mardi gras. | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |

Why would you like to volunteer at HOPE Works?

Please describe any relevant experience you have, which may relate to volunteering at HOPE Works: (This can include: course work, life experience, past volunteer work, employment, trainings, and skills)

Please identify if the following statements are true or myths:

1. Vermont law still states that a husband can't be tried for assaulting his wife.

Myth: Truth:

2. Women who wear provocative clothing and are subsequently assaulted, are at least somewhat jointly responsible.

Myth: Truth:

3. We live in a culture that condones violence against women.

Myth: Truth:

4. More people lie about being sexually assaulted than are seen on TV or in the media.

Myth: Truth:

5. Men are almost never sexually assaulted.

Myth: Truth:

6. All perpetrators are either: poor, non-white, or criminals.

Myth: Truth:

7. Sexual assault is a crime that is prevalent in our society.

Myth: Truth:

8. 35% of sexual assaults are committed by a stranger.

Myth: Truth:

9. If people take the proper precautions, they can sometimes avoid being assaulted.

Myth: Truth:

10. Some sexual assaults are simply a result of poor communication between partners.

Myth: Truth:

11. When alcohol is involved, both parties share some responsibility if a sexual assault occurs.

Myth: Truth:

Please name two references that HOPE Works could contact (include their names and phone numbers):