

Translator

Importance: When monolingual women come into the shelter, the transition can be even more disorienting than it would be for a native English speaker. As a translator, you help facilitate communication between the client and staff during meetings and groups. Although we have access to translation services through the County, sometimes having an advocate – someone in person – can be especially helpful for a client to feel comfortable.

Program: Shelter

Mentor: Case manager

Responsibilities:

- This is a specialization you can choose as a **Shelter Advocate**.
 - Provide accurate translation between staff and clients during case management meetings or on-site groups.
 - Translate materials, such as forms and applications, as necessary.

Requirements:

- **Qualifications:**
 - Commitment to SAVE's mission, philosophy, and values.
 - Ability to translate only what is being said by both parties, without interjecting personal opinions or input.
 - Ability to build rapport and provide emotional support to the client.
 - Comfortable being present during groups such as support, self-empowerment, and parenting group.
 - Strict understanding and practice of confidentiality.

Benefits:

- Develop translation and counseling skills.