**Position Announcement**

**DANE G. HANSEN & K-STATE RESEARCH AND EXTENSION INTERN PROGRAM, Cheyenne County, KS**

The Dane G. Hansen Foundation & K-State Research and Extension internship gives college students the opportunity to link classroom learning with a pre-professional work experience. The intern will help to build Cheyenne County as a trauma informed community.

**TITLE:** Building Trauma Awareness in Cheyenne County

**LOCATION:** St. Francis, KS (Cheyenne County)

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Cheyenne County and surrounding counties are working to become trauma aware in order to prevent or intervene in mental health issues. Cheyenne County Health Department, hospital, and clinic will be working with Wichita State University, Community Engagement Institute to bring trauma awareness to clinical practice and the community.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Friday, January 31, 2020 or until the position is filled

**EMPLOYMENT:** May 26, 2020 thru August 1, 2020 or as negotiated with K-State Research and Extension and Cheyenne County Health Department.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Collaborate with WSU and local staff to schedule meetings, education, and work sessions to bring understanding of what trauma is/means and how to change employee behaviors to be trauma sensitive.
- Work to change environments and policies and processes (in collaboration with staff) to meet WSU recommendations.
- Educate themselves on trauma/adverse childhood experiences (ACES) and then share this learning with the community through formal and informal methods.
- Assist with ongoing mental health task force and other mental health efforts occurring in Cheyenne County and the region.
- Community service or volunteering with a community organization is highly encouraged. This would be outside of the designated scope of work and working hours.
- Participate in any professional staff development that may be available.
- Complete other responsibilities as assigned by mentoring supervisors

This position will require travel connected with official duties, including attendance at evening meetings, access to a personal vehicle, and a valid driver’s license.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

- Completion of at least six university semesters at any college or university.
- Students enrolled in social work, family and child relations, nursing, and public health.
- Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, with individuals, groups, and through mass media and social media.
- Self-motivation and ability to work with minimum supervision.
- Experience working with individuals, groups, and co-workers to accomplish individual and/or group goals, as evidenced by previous leadership roles.
- Students from NW Kansas are preferred.

**SALARY AND BENEFITS**

$20.00 per hour. 40 hours per week. Maximum 400 hours
HOUSING
Housing will be provided by Cheyenne County Hospital (pet free).

APPLICATION PROCEDURE
Submit cover letter, resume, transcripts and list of references as one document to: nsigle@ksu.edu.

For more information about the position contact Candi Douthit, Community Liaison, Cheyenne County Health Department, 785-332-2381, cdouthit@cheyennecountyhospital.com or Nadine Sigle, Community Vitality Extension Specialist, 785-346-6256, nsigle@ksu.edu.

For more information about K-State Research and Extension, visit: www.ksre.k-state.edu

APPROXIMATE TIMELINE
January 31, 2020 Application deadline
February 1 – February 28, 2020 Interviews conducted
March, 2020 Offers made to applicants
March – May, 2020 Visit to host communities
May 26, 2020 Internship start date

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Kansas State University is an Equal Opportunity Employer of individuals with disabilities and protected veterans and actively seeks diversity among its employees.

Nadine Sigle
Community Vitality Extension Specialist