

Laura Gibbs

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Professional Summary

Social worker with experience working with children in various settings, including: family intervention specialist, court advocate, residential caregiver, activities facilitator, and childcare provider. Well-acquainted with a self-directed work environment, working as a part of or managing a team, and getting along with a variety of people.

Experience

Youth Villages / Family Intervention Specialist Intern

August, 2023 - July, 2024, Chattanooga, TN

- Counseling at-risk youth and families with a strengths-based approach.
- Creating and implementing treatment plans utilizing cognitive behavioral interventions.
- Collaborating with youth, family, teachers, and other community members working towards the success of the youth.

Southern Adventist University / Social Work Graduate Assistant

August 2023 - May 2024, Collegedale, NC

- Coordinated community events for field instructors and social work professionals
- Graded assignments, taught classes, and assisted students
- Created educational videos and content to update course material

CASA of Bradley and Polk Counties / Family Services Intern

August, 2022 - April 2023, Cleveland, TN

- Advocated for children's best interest in court.
- Conducted in-home visits and wrote court reports.
- Filed documentation and reorganized existing files.

Concord Baptist Church / Childcare

January, 2022 - April 2023, East Brainerd, TN

- Facilitated activities for children while their families were in worship.
- Coordinated drop-off and pick-up of children by their parents.
- Fostered a sense of collaboration among children in play.

Austin Hatcher Foundation / Intern

March 2022 - April 2022, Chattanooga, Tennessee

- Prepared activities and events for families experiencing pediatric cancer.
- Engaged kids in purposeful play while their families received services.
- Networked with businesses in the local area to provide services for our events.

Familia Feliz / Volunteer Houseparent

February 2021 - December 2021, Rurrenabaque, Bolivia

- Managed a group home, caring for the kids' physical and emotional needs.
 - Developed lesson plans and curriculum to teach English to grades K-12.
 - Created letters, a social media presence, and activated donor involvement by initiating fundraising campaigns.
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Southern Adventist University / Bachelors in Social Work, May 2023

Masters in Social Work Expected Graduated Date: August 2024, Collegedale, TN