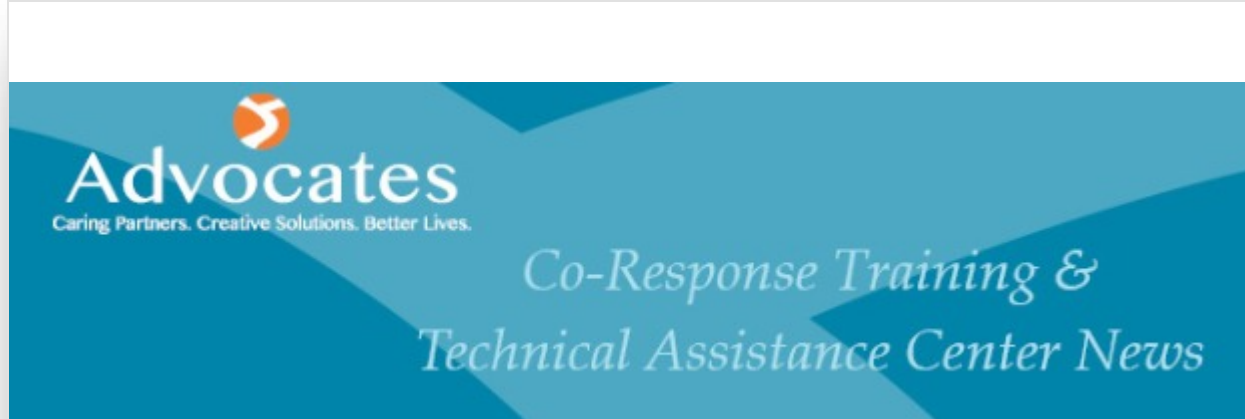


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## February — **Advocates CR-TTAC News** — 2023

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### Feature Story:

### **Meet Our Team** — monthly introductions to our amazing staff:

Good day, community members!

Continuing with our monthly staff introductions, highlighting our **Advocates JDP** team members, we want to take a few newsletter issues to introduce you to our new **Advocates Co-Response Clinicians**. This month, we would like to introduce you to Eli Miller, our **Watertown Co-Response Clinician**.

### **Meet Eli Miller, MSW, LCSW:**

#### *What brought you to this role?*

The opportunity to work alongside law enforcement to address mental health in the community was what brought me to this role. One of my field placements during graduate school was at a mental health court where I gained a new appreciation of the impact social workers and mental health clinicians could have on those involved in the justice system. I also realized how challenging it was for people to get out of the system once arrested or charged. Working in a role where you could divert people into treatment before they became justice involved was a significant appeal to me.

#### *What is challenging about your job?*

Seeing the same people in crisis is challenging for a variety of factors. Due to the nature of of this role, we are constantly jumping from crisis to crisis, and the barriers that are impeding treatment or progress can feel daunting at times. I can refer people to services, but I typically don't have the capacity for daily case management.

### *Why do you stay?*

Every day is different. I enjoy the challenges crisis response work entails and feel like I learn something new every day. I like being rooted in a singular community and being a resource for the police department and the town. I work with numerous departments within my town and assist various committees to implement services. I feel appreciated by the community for my work and appreciate the relationships I have built with my co-workers and colleagues.

## Join Our Team



### **Independent, Motivated, & Enthusiastic Professionals Wanted**

Advocates promotes a healthy work-life balance and offers many generous perks of employment and room for advancement. We are a strong-knit community that values the ideas and contributions of our staff.

Our Co-Response Jail Diversion Team is expanding rapidly and we want you to join us!

The Jail Diversion Social Worker works in conjunction with the designated police department (s) to provide psychiatric and substance use evaluations to individuals who encounter the police while in crisis.

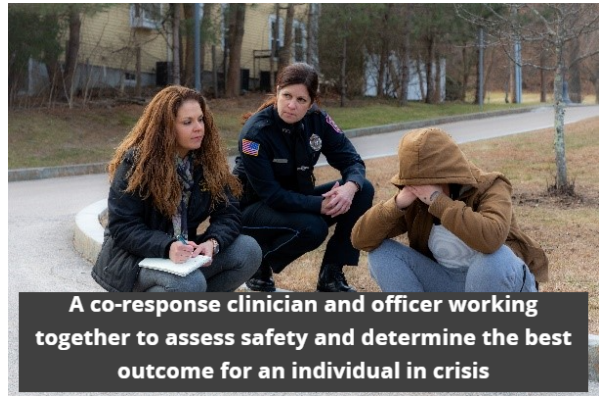
### **Do you...**

- **Have a Master' Degree in counseling or a related field?**
- **Have a minimum of 2 years of experience in crisis intervention?**

- **Like a fast-paced work environment?**

**If so, please email** Vice President of Community Justice Services **Steve Corrigan**, LMHC at:

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## Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) for Public Safety Trainings

**MHFA is an 8-hour evidence-based curriculum as specified in the IACP One Mind campaign.**

**\*\*Please note\*\*  
Certification requires active class participation!**

We are offering our co-taught (police officer & clinician) **FREE 8-hour MHFA for Public Safety trainings for law enforcement.**

Classes are valued by the National Council for Behavioral Health at \$170 per participant; thanks to Department of Mental Health funding, we are offering this class **free** of charge.

**New classes are starting soon!**

To register for a future class, click the "class registration" button below.

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## Upcoming Course Dates:

For more information about trainings in your area and a complete schedule of monthly training events, click the "learn more" button below.

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