

## Youth & Family Specialist

The Youth and Family Specialist performs a wide range of technical and interpersonal activities across southwest Minnesota to build and strengthen southwest Minnesota's children, youth and families. Through program management and community engagement, this position creates community connections and resource deployment in opportunities that impact critical needs for the education and well-being of children birth-to-18 and families across southwest Minnesota. Thriving youth and families are core to the success of SWIF's Grow Our Own Initiative, so this content expert works to focus the impact of the foundation in areas that create opportunities for economic mobility to ensure that all people – especially those with the fewest resources – can access what they need to succeed in school and life. Through our cradle to career approach, this person will synchronize and implement appropriate emergent strategies that impact early childhood, youth mental health, and wholistic models of family care and support, centering on single mothers.

The Southwest Initiative Foundation is an equal opportunity employer and proudly values diversity. We encourage candidates of all backgrounds to apply.

**We believe that dignity and belonging are core human values and that all people deserve the opportunity to reach their full potential.**

We are a human-centered organization and acknowledge that people have different needs and aspirations. We commit to removing barriers that prevent full participation in southwest Minnesota's abundant opportunities. We use our resources to create opportunities for all people to thrive in the communities they call home.

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