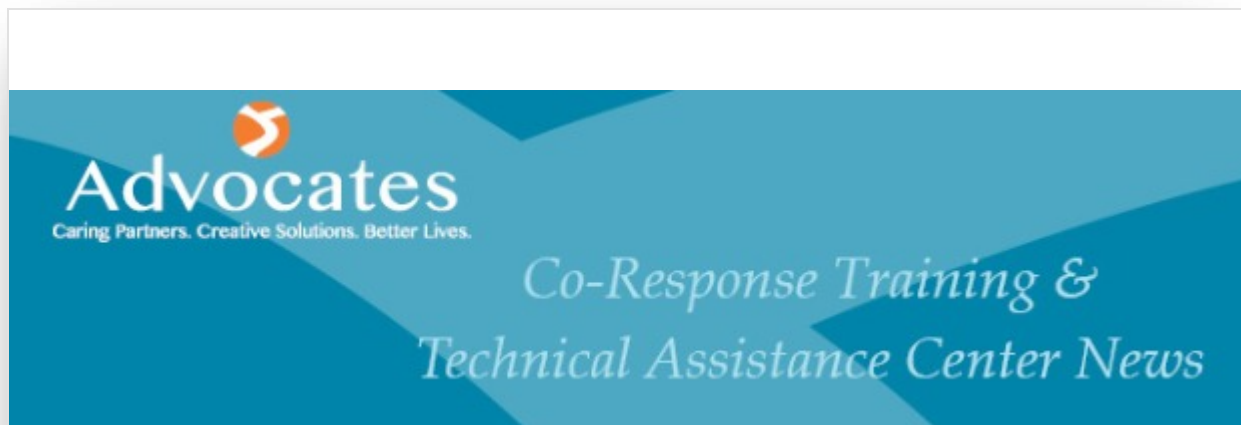


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Feature Story:

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 introduce you to **Co-Response Clinician** Emily Bartlett. Currently, Emily serves as the Co-Response Clinician for the **Belmont** Police Department.

Meet Emily Bartlett, MSW, LCSW:

What brought you to this role?

As an undergraduate student at Washington State University studying criminal justice and human development, I wanted to find a career path that would combine both fields of interest. After researching different career options, I discovered that social work fit within the criminal justice system. I was fascinated and decided to pursue a degree in Social Work focusing on

mental health and trauma. This brought me to Massachusetts to pursue my degree at Boston College. During my graduate school experience, I interned with the Cambridge Police Department where I discovered the partnership between officers and social workers was something I enjoyed being part of. Following graduation, I became a part of the Advocates crisis response team where I had the opportunity to respond to calls with the Belmont Police Department. After these calls, I decided that working in a co-response role with Belmont was the next step I wanted to take in my career.

What is challenging about your job?

The most challenging part about my job is knowing that I will not always have the answer or be able to immediately fix the issue. When people are in crisis, I hope to be a supportive person who is helping resolve their situation, however, that is not always going to happen. I have found support through talking with other clinicians who are senior to me and officers who work in this field and have faced similar challenges.

Why do you stay?

My position as a Co-Response Clinician leaves me fulfilled each day that I leave. I feel fortunate to work in a role that is new, yet widely accepted. I have the opportunity to work with a department that is excited and supports the work that I do in their town. I am also in a community that utilizes me as a positive resource and supports the role's integration. Overall, I enjoy helping people when they are experiencing a difficult time and supporting them in overcoming it. I love people and watching them grow as I remain in the community and our paths continue to cross. I am also thankful to have a supportive team of clinicians at Advocates who work together in various towns across the state to demonstrate the importance of the position. I stay in the role as a Co-Response Clinician because I have the opportunity to be a small part of a larger systematic change.

Join Our Team



Independent, Motivated, & Enthusiastic Professionals Wanted

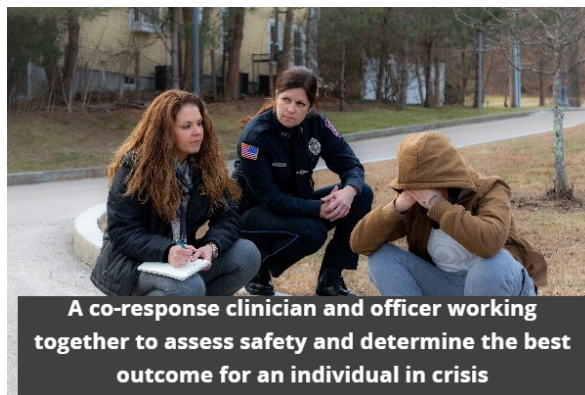
Advocates promotes a healthy work-life balance and offers many generous perks of employment and room for advancement. We are a strong-knit community that values the ideas and contributions of our staff.

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:

SCorrigan@Advocates.org

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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