



Agency Information & Board Member Application

The mission of Foundation 2 Crisis Services is:

"To be a trusted support when life gets tough. All people. Any time. Every time."

Thank you for your interest in becoming a board member at Foundation 2 Crisis Services! The following descriptions of our programs will give you an idea of the services we offer to the communities we serve.

Foundation 2 Crisis Services has been certified by the American Association of Suicidology since 1989 and is certified by Iowa Code Chapter 24.

Foundation 2 Crisis Services Programs

Youth Shelter: The Emergency Youth Shelter is for youth between the ages of 11 and 17 who may be homeless, human trafficked or have an unsafe home. Youth may refer themselves or be referred by the Department of Human Services (DHS), Juvenile Court Services (JCS), law enforcement, schools, family members and other community support services. The goal of the shelter program is to provide safety and assist youth in returning home or to another safe location. We also offer in-home services as an alternative to out-of-home placement for youth referred to us by DHS, JCS or law enforcement. Family and individual counseling is offered during their stay and as they transition back to a home-like setting.

Crisis Center: The Crisis Center provides 24-hour crisis support through phone, chat and text services. We have had our own crisis line since our inception in 1970; we also hold many contracts including the statewide crisis line Your Life Iowa and the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline (previously named the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline). When someone reaches out, counselors use their expertise to quickly build rapport with the caller, assess the level of crisis and screen for suicidal thinking or behavior. Through collaborative support, the counselor helps the caller determine the best response to help their situation. Caller's needs range from supportive listening to emergency intervention. We also offer support groups for suicide survivor loss survivors.

Mobile Crisis Outreach: In-person Mobile Crisis Outreach services are provided in 11 counties (Linn, Benton, Jones, Delaware, Bremer, Buchanan, Cedar, Jackson, Clinton, Scott, and Muscatine). Two crisis counselors travel to homes, employers, schools and other locations throughout the communities to provide support. They assess the situation in-person to diffuse and stabilize the crisis, followed by counseling and referrals.



Law Enforcement Liaison: The Law Enforcement Liaison Co-Responder Model focuses on supporting law enforcement as they interact with community members in emotional distress. A major goal is to divert residents from unnecessary jail time or hospitalization. We have nine liaisons in eight departments.

Crisis Stabilization Community Based Services: The CSCBS program provides supports in the client's home for up to 5 days. This program is provided when an initial assessment indicates that more contacts over a short period of time is needed and includes the implementation of a care plan created by a licensed clinician.

Fostering Futures: This program provides advocacy, housing support, life skills training and case management to young adults ages 17 to 21 who have aged out of the Iowa foster care system. Often, these young people lack a safe or stable place to live, and have limited social, emotional, and physical support. Fostering Futures is one of our longer-term support services; case managers work with young adults for several years.

There are multiple programs under Fostering Futures, including Achieving Maximum Potential (AMP) and Stand Up for Peace. We host the AMP support group for teen and young adults who are or have been in the foster care system. AMP gives them a safe place to share their similar experiences, learn new skills and have fun with other people their age. Stand Up for Peace provides supportive services to youth and young adults who are at the highest risk of gun violence in our community. Case managers connect those involved in group or gun violence to supportive services for housing, education, employment and more.



Board Member Application/Background Information

Name:	
Work Address:	Home Address:
Preferred mailing address	Preferred mailing address
Work Phone Number:	Home Phone Number:
Preferred phone number	Preferred phone number
Preferred E-mail Address:	Fax Number:

Current Occupation/Name of Employer:

Current or previous board experience:

Which service are you most interested in?

Crisis Phone, Chat and Text

Suicide Prevention, Intervention & Response

Mobile Crisis Outreach

Law Enforcement Liaison

Emergency Youth Shelter & Alternatives

Case Management Services, for youth aging
out of foster care

Suicide Survivors Support



This question is optional:

Foundation 2 Crisis Services believes that “Lived Experience” is important and a valuable perspective to have on our board. If you have experienced the following, please feel free to share that with us!

Suicide Loss Survivor

Suicide Attempt Survivor

Personal experience with your own mental health struggles or that of a family member or close friend

Personal experience around youth in the foster care/juvenile justice system

What interests you in serving on the Foundation 2 Crisis Services Board?

What skills or expertise will you bring to the Foundation 2 Crisis Services Board?

What other community interactions do you have that may connect with Foundation 2 Crisis services?



The Foundation 2 Crisis Services Board of Directors meets in-person and by Zoom on the third Wednesday of each month from Noon-1 pm. Will you be able to attend the monthly meetings?

Yes

No

Board members are expected to serve on at least one committee. Committee meeting times vary based on the availability of members. The current committees of the Foundation 2 Crisis Services boards are Finance and Governance, and Ad Hoc committees are formed periodically.

Potential Foundation 2 Crisis Services Board Members must agree to have a background check performed. Will you submit to a criminal background check?

Yes

No

Signature: _____ Date: _____