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To whom this may concern,

I'm writing to express my interest in the YouthCOR Work Ready Facilitator position. I am a psychology student and am interested in working to assist CORA's youth and families in their development and success towards a hopeful future. I am passionate about starting my own mental health institution one day aimed at educating the public about psychology and appreciate CORA's commitment to offering programs for challenged children, youth, and families. I believe that my values, passion for integration of psychology and education, and work ethic align well with those of CORA and it would be a privilege to work with such an institution.

I have exceeded expectations in my many leadership roles, both working in a team environment and independently. During my time at Saint Joseph's University I have held the position of Orientation Leader, retreat leader and more. As an Orientation Leader, I go through weekly trainings on drugs, alcohol, sexual abuse, mental health, LGBTQIA+ training and more during the last four months of school. During the summer, I spend ten days with incoming freshman, helping them get acquainted to and comfortable with their new home. Although the bulk of this role is in the summer and beginning of school meet-ups with the students, the role never ends. Throughout their first year, I constantly get contacted for advice and support.

As for my internship experience, I work as a Placement Liaison through the Faith-Justice Institute. In this position I hold a multitude of tasks including connecting service opportunities in the surrounding Philadelphia community with the students at Saint Joseph's University, weekly meetings with my supervisor, colleagues, and community partners, presentations, reports, and much more. Additionally, I have had experience as a babysitter and camp counselor with children ranging from newborns to sixteen year olds since I myself was sixteen.

I take pride in serving others, and learning from their experiences. One service trip immersed me into the culture and experiences of Latinos, the previously incarcerated, and the homeless population of Los Angeles. The volunteer experiences I've been privileged to take part in, have increased my appreciation for education on mental health, and I believe this drive is exactly what will allow me to exceed expectations in this role if hired.

Thank you for taking time to read and consider my application. I believe that my passions, coupled with CORA's mission, has great potential to have a positive effect on others. I am eager and ready for the next step in this process and hope to hear back from you soon!

Sincerely,

Chelsea Costa