



**Family Advocate - Santa Barbara
August 2018**

The Position:

The Family Support Services (FSS) Family Advocate will work collaboratively with parents, school personnel, and public and private agencies to guide families in overcoming obstacles to self-sufficiency. Guided by the Protective Factors Framework, the Family Advocate will provide comprehensive services to at-risk families in support of a child's lifelong learning, health, and behavior. Through advocacy, case management, parent education, developmental screening, and linkage to community resources, the Family Advocate will identify risks, promote strengths, and equip parents with the skills and knowledge needed to overcome sources of stress and provide nurturing environments. Services are provided in the home, school, and community setting.

Employment Standards:

- Bachelor degree in social work, psychology, education or related field required.
- Bilingual (English/Spanish) preferred.
- Excellent analytical, computer, written and verbal communication skills required.
- Professional attitude, teamwork, and ability to maintain confidentiality a must.
- Valid CA driver license required.

Classification, Hours and Pay Rate:

- The position is full-time, but part-time candidates will be considered. Please indicate in your application how many hours you are looking for.
- Positions working 20 or more hours per week are eligible for limited benefits, including: holidays, vacation, and sick leave. Positions working 30 or more hours per week are eligible for the same holidays, vacation, and sick leave, plus benefits: medical, dental, vision, life insurance, flexible spending accounts, and a 403(b) retirement plan.
- Pay is dependent on experience.

Family Service Agency (FSA) has long been regarded as one of Santa Barbara County's most reliable and effective nonprofit human service organizations. Our mission is to strengthen and advocate for families and individuals of all ages and diversities, helping to create and preserve a healthy community.

We are committed to providing services where they are needed most: in the community. Eighty percent of our services are delivered on school campuses, at community centers and in clients' homes. Our programs, which serve more than 25,000 people annually, combine clinical expertise, bilingual and bicultural staff, and close collaboration with other agencies. At FSA, all services are provided free or on a sliding fee/donation scale and no one is denied assistance because of an inability to pay.

To apply for this position, please reply to this ad with your cover letter and resume. You may also send your materials to:

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