At Camp HOPE America - San Diego, we will be serving at-risk San Diego youth and their families that have experienced varying levels of pain, abuse, and neglect in their lives and it is our mission to guide them on their path to finding hope and healing. We believe that with the right mentoring and guidance, our campers can experience hope, life, and empowerment instead of cyclical abuse and other consequences of trauma. For this very reason, we want to be careful and wise in our selection of HOPE Counselors.

This year, we are seeking applicants who can commit to spend **at least one week of camp with us during August and thereafter be involved in one 2–4 hour hope-centered mentoring event a month.** Please take time to thoughtfully answer the following questions We look forward to learning more about you!

Please email this completed document to the Program Manager, Yolanda Ruiz at yolanda@crisishouse.org

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| Applicant Information | |
| Full Name: |  |
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| Email Address: |  |
| Date of Birth: |  |
| Preferred Pronouns: |  |
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| Application Questions |

1. Will you be residing in the San Diego area for the next year?
2. What is your job title, organization, and field of work? How do you feel about what you do?
3. What experience do you have working with kids/youth/teens? Tell us about an impactful interaction you've had with kids/youth/teens.
4. Why are you interested in working with children that have been exposed to trauma and family violence?
5. What about Camp HOPE America – San Diego are you looking forward to and why?
6. List the top 3 Character Traits that you consider will make you a strong asset in our team and a positive role model to our participant youth.
7. Please describe a time when you have been a mentor to somebody. What was the nature of the mentorship? How did it begin? What have been the outcomes?
8. Tell us more about you… special talents, hobbies, likes, dislikes, animals, favorite games etc.
9. Please complete the sentence: To me, hope is...
10. Is there any additional information that you would like us to know as we are considering your application?

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