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*Position of Interest with Positive Steps Forward Women's Shelter (Job Opening ID 12345):*

### COUNSELLING CENTRE SOCIAL WORKER

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Becoming a social worker has been a lifelong dream of mine, and I realized an important milestone when I earned my master's degree in social work (MSW) in 2021.

Through invaluable coaching and intern assignments, I have gained the experience needed to provide my clients with the support they need in order to overcome self-limiting beliefs. Although different reasons drive people to seek assistance, they all want the same result; the ability to lead fulfilling and rewarding lives.

***What may positively set me apart from other applicants is the fact that  
I possess first-hand experience with Positive Steps Forward ...***

***... but as a service recipient.***

Having gone through my own set of hard times (including temporary homelessness) while attending university, I turned to Positive Steps Forward at an extremely vulnerable time in my life so that I could get back on my feet. Thanks to your extremely caring team, I learned:

- how to advocate for myself, and
- that it is okay – and necessary – to reach out for help.

I felt genuinely heard when the Positive Steps Forward staff took the time to listen to me and understand what I needed at the time. As a result, I ultimately returned to school where I experienced higher levels of confidence in realizing some extremely important goals of mine.

As you read my résumé, you will see that my qualifications, education, and paramount commitment to the field of social work more than meet your requirements. For that reason, I welcome the prospect of further discussions in an interview and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Darla Knight, LLMSW

Enclosure - Résumé (2 pages)