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Dear Community Partner,

Thank you for your interest in considering a BSW field education placement for our student.

My name is Holly Bradley and I am the Field Education Coordinator for the Bachelor of Social Work Program at Vancouver Island University (VIU). This letter will provide you with information regarding our program to assist with your consideration of our student's request to complete a field placement within your organization.

BSW students are required to complete a 350 hour field education placement between January - May in both the third and fourth year of their degree. Students must be mentored by a social worker within a social services placement setting throughout their placement, and will be supported by their VIU field education course instructor. The student approaching you will have completed all necessary pre-requisites in order to proceed into a field placement. Distance students who are most familiar with their local community resources are responsible for securing their own field education placements. As the Field Education Coordinator, I work with both students and agencies to facilitate and confirm student placements.

Vancouver Island University's Bachelor of Social Work distance delivery program is proudly recommended for accreditation by the Canadian Association for Social Work Education and provides current and innovative social work education from an experienced and dedicated faculty. Students who invest in their professional education through our online program have the advantage of continuing to live, work and contribute within their local communities during their studies.

We value our partners in education and greatly appreciate that you are considering offering a field placement opportunity to a next generation social work student. Please contact me should you have any questions regarding our program. For more about placements, please visit our Field Education webpage <https://www2.viu.ca/bsw/field-education/index.asp>.

Best Wishes,

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