The mission of Centinela Youth Services, Inc. (CYS) is to strengthen families and communities by empowering youth to resolve conflicts and overcome obstacles in order to become successful students and contributing adults. CYS is a 501c3 non-profit, restorative justice organization established in 1975. CYS operates a variety of innovative programs proven to increase student performance; reduce school dropout rates, gang involvement, youth violence and crime and ultimately help preserve families. CYS is leading innovation that is transforming youth justice in LA and the state, with a commitment to both youth development and serving victims of youth crime, while impacting systemic change to end the school to prison pipeline. CYS is seeking facilitators of Seeking Safety.

Compensation
These curriculum driven groups tend to run about 2 hours each for 8-12 weeks with about 8-10 youth in a group. We are seeking someone who can run 1-3 groups at a time, several times per year. Rate will be commensurate with experience.

Minimum Qualifications
Trained in Seeking Safety with experience leading groups with a comparable audience. CYS serves adolescent youth in middle and high school. Graduation from an accredited high school and graduation from a college or university with a Bachelor's Degree or Master's Degree in social work, psychology or related field. Candidate must also be reliable with timely attendance, and must pass background clearance and TB test.

General Functions and Responsibilities: Under the supervision of the CYS, Inc. Program Manager and/or assigned Supervisor, the duties of the Seeking Safety Facilitator include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Facilitate Seeking Safety sessions with adolescents over a period of eight to ten weeks;
- Implement Seeking Safety with fidelity to the model and collaborate with CYS staff in fidelity checks;
- Provide reliable and consistent support for youth experiencing the effects of trauma;
- Support youth in a warm, non judgmental fashion with caring, yet clear professional boundaries; contact youth as needed to help ensure their participation, track attendance and administer the dissemination of youth incentives.
- Identify additional needs of youth in the group and communicate those needs to CYS coordinators to make further services connections for participating youth as needed;
- Respect the space and rules of partner/host agencies where sessions may be held and communicate with CYS immediately if any concerns arise at the location or with youth enrolled;
- Maintain clear communication with parents, host locations and CYS to insure successful delivery of services to meet the needs of youth.
- Outreach and follow up with established school contacts to negotiate scheduling and location for sessions
- Guide and support school contacts to recruit and place youth for this service.

Working Conditions
Performing duties of the Seeking Safety Facilitator may require spending the majority of the day walking, standing, sitting and regularly driving back and forth to off-site locations. Must possess a valid California driver’s license, have use of a motor vehicle and be able to provide evidence of automobile liability.
insurance. Must show periodic proof of a negative TB test. CYS maintains offices and work sites in the following locations: Hawthorne, Inglewood, the San Fernando Valley, South Los Angeles and Compton. This position will be providing group sessions either at our offices or at partner locations in the community, like school district locations.

How to Apply
Send a cover letter and résumé to recruit@cys-la.org for consideration. Recruitment for this position will end upon receipt of a sufficient number of resumes. Only those applicants with the most relevant qualifications and knowledge will be invited to participate in the oral interview. No phone calls please.

CYS, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer. Applicants are considered for all positions without regard to race, color, sex, gender identity, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, medical condition, marital status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, ancestry, religion, military or veteran status, or any other status protected by law.

CYS, Inc. provides reasonable accommodations consistent with its legal obligations. Therefore, applicants who may need reasonable accommodation or other assistance in relation to a disability or religion, at any point within the application process or thereafter if hired, should immediately inform CYS, Inc. by sending an email to recruit@cys-la.org. To learn more about CYS, Inc. or the services provided, you may visit the website at cys-la.org.