

Paula Zimmer Summer Internship: Lakeshore Legal Aid

Organization overview

LLA strives to serve its clients in a holistic manner to address clients' legal issues and improve our communities. LLA provides free legal assistance in 17 counties in Michigan through our offices located in Detroit, Dearborn, Pontiac, Southfield, Mt. Clemens, Warren, Riverview, Port Huron, and Caro. Our work includes housing, family, consumer, and public benefits law.

Position overview:

Lakeshore Legal Aid is currently seeking an undergraduate student intern for our Paula Zimmer Summer Internship, which honors Ms. Zimmer's nearly four decades as a legal aid lawyer and leader. The intern will work with attorneys in our Cass Corridor office located in Detroit, Michigan. The position offers an excellent learning experience with diverse legal subject matters, a unique working environment, and rewarding and meaningful work. The internship is a paid position and requires a minimum of 8 weeks commitment working 40 hours per week.

Responsibilities:

- Research and review court filings and Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests as assigned by attorneys;
- Investigate and analyze systemic challenges facing the LLA service area, including data analysis using publicly available data and internal LLA data;
- Support the Systemic Litigation attorneys to identify, develop, and implement advocacy strategies to address systemic problems;
- Engage in research and writing as related to individual cases; and
- Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Demonstrated passion and commitment to public interest advocacy.
- Strong research and organizational skills, the ability to effectively communicate verbally and in writing, and well-developed analytical and computer skills.
- Ability to problem-solve and to demonstrate patience and sensitivity while working with people in crisis.
- Candidates must be have completed one year of an undergraduate program.

English, Spanish and Arabic speaking candidates are encouraged to apply.

Please email your resume and cover letter to resumes@lakeshorelegalaid.org

LLA values diversity and is an equal opportunity employer.