

Position Announcement

**The Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia**

AmeriCorps Recovery Fellow

Foreclosure Prevention

The Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia seeks an attorney to serve as an Equal Justice Works AmeriCorps Legal Fellow to work on a foreclosure prevention project. The Project will engage in outreach, counseling and litigation to assist low-income homeowners to prevent loss due to foreclosure or foreclosure related fraud.

The Legal Aid Society is a non-profit civil legal assistance program in the District of Columbia. Formed in 1932, Legal Aid provides legal representation on a range of issues including consumer, eviction prevention, preservation of affordable housing, public benefits, domestic violence, and family law.

Tasks and Duties:

The selected attorney will engage in a range of activities to assist low-income individuals and families to prevent the loss of a home through foreclosure. Tasks will include community education, client counseling, negotiation with lenders and litigation.

Qualifications:

The ideal candidate will have the following:

- \* Strong communication skills.
- \* The ability to work collaboratively with other staff.
- \* Law school clinic, legal services or the equivalent experience.
- \* A demonstrated commitment to social and economic justice.
- \* The ability to start work before September 30, 2009.

Membership or eligibility for membership in the DC bar is desirable.  
Spanish or other relevant language skills a plus.

Salary and Benefits:

Compensation for this position is set at \$ 45,600 which includes:

- \* \$22,800 AmeriCorps living allowance
- \* \$22,800 supplemental benefits for certain expenses (housing/loans/repayment assistance etc)
- \* Health, Dental, and Vision Insurance coverage
- \* \$4,725 AmeriCorps Segal Education Award upon successful completion of service.
- \* Student loan forbearance and interest accrual payment upon successful completion of service

To Apply:

Legal Aid encourages all interested persons regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion or disability to apply. Interested persons should send a letter of interest and resume to [AmeriCorpssearch@legalaiddc.org](mailto:AmeriCorpssearch@legalaiddc.org) or by regular mail to:

AmeriCorps Search  
Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia  
1331 H Street, N.W., Suite 350  
Washington, D.C. 20005

Applications will be reviewed as they are submitted. Position must be filled by September 30, 2009.

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