



Outreach Program Intern

Position Available

Maryland Hunger Solutions, an initiative of the Food Research & Action Center, seeks a highly motivated and skilled individual to join Maryland Hunger Solutions as an **Outreach Program Intern**. Maryland Hunger Solutions (MDHS) is one of Maryland's primary outreach partners, helping to connect eligible Marylanders to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and other nutrition resources. In addition to assisting with direct outreach, the intern will help to advance the advocacy, technical assistance, and public education of MDHS. The intern will work with MDHS staff to design, execute, and collaborate on community outreach projects. MDHS is located in Baltimore, MD and is operating on a hybrid work schedule. This position will require some in-person meetings and work.

Organizational Background

FRAC works to improve the nutrition, health, and well-being of people struggling against poverty-related hunger in the United States through advocacy, partnerships, and by advancing bold and equitable policy solutions. To attain this mission, FRAC engages in research, policy analysis and advocacy, coalition-building, outreach, technical assistance and training, and an array of communications strategies. In partnership with hundreds of national, state and local nonprofit organizations, public agencies, corporations, schools, and labor organizations, FRAC addresses hunger and food insecurity, and poverty as their root cause.

Formed in 2007, Maryland Hunger Solutions is the leading Maryland non-profit working to reduce hunger and improve nutrition in the State of Maryland by improving participation and benefits in public nutrition and related programs. MDHS's focus is on using federal programs (e.g., SNAP, school breakfast and lunch, summer and afterschool nutrition programs, the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children [WIC], and other programs) to reduce hunger and its adverse effects; to improve economic security, health and nutrition; and to strengthen community institutions.

Responsibilities

The intern will support MDHS' work in Maryland by assisting callers with accessing nutrition resources, including SNAP, local food banks and school meal sites. The intern will participate in training sessions for volunteers and partners and will conduct outreach to potential partners and applicants. The intern will also assist in writing, creating, and researching communications tools for the organization. To the extent it is practicable, the intern will also participate in public outreach events with partners in Maryland.

Skills and Qualifications

- Minimum of 2 years college education.
- Good oral and written communications skills. Ability to present and speak in public.

- Conversant in Spanish, strongly preferred.
- Detail-oriented planning and implementation skills.
- Willingness to work varied hours.
- Good organizational skills.
- Self-starter w/ the ability to work independently.
- Excellent interpersonal skills; team orientation.
- Evidence of commitment to social justice; experience with SNAP/Food Stamp program a plus.
- Experience with Microsoft Office Suite products with ability to use Excel for data collection.
- Ability to travel around the state for meetings and events. (Must have access to transportation; work-related travel will be reimbursed.)

Start Date

The start and end dates of the internship are flexible; however, the ideal candidate will be available for a 10-week internship. Interns are expected to work 20-25 hours per week.

Benefits

This internship can either be a paid position, at the rate of \$17.80/hour, or to meet course/program requirements for course credit.

To Apply

Click <u>here</u> to submit cover letter, resume, and two references.

Opening/ Closing Dates

The position is available immediately. It will close when filled. However, FRAC seeks to hire a qualified individual as soon as possible.

FRAC is especially interested in candidates with lived expertise with hunger or poverty who can contribute to the diversity of the organization.

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