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# **Housing Advocacy Intern**

Deadline: Open

Location: Gainesville Outreach Office

Peaceful Paths Domestic Abuse Network is a local non-profit organization, providing advocacy and support for domestic abuse survivors through many services such as: legal, counseling, shelter, child and youth programs, and economic justice. As a Housing Advocacy Intern, you will work in the economic empowerment department, directly with survivors. In your role, you will help develop our rapid housing program, and will work to foster relationships between Peaceful Paths, landlords, and tenants. This position is unpaid.

### Qualifications

- Pursuing a 4-year degree at an accredited university
- 3.0 GPA minimum
- Preferred majors include: Urban Planning, Anthropology, History, Sociology, Women's Studies, Economics, Political Science, Sustainability, Communications, Marketing, Education, Non-profit Management, Public Administration, or other related fields
- Excellent written and oral communication skills, independent, and self-motivated
- Flexible schedule between 15-20 hours per week (Monday-Friday 9 a.m. 5 p.m. some evenings and Saturday events), and reliable transportation. **Must be able to commit to 2 semesters**.

## **Intern Responsibilities**

- Work closely with the Economic Empowerment coordinator to manage our rapid rehousing program.
- Practice the Housing First Model with local landlords and housing development companies in an effort to place domestic abuse survivors into affordable housing.
- Design and create tenant-landlord training initiative, which will be used to help educate tenants about application processes, lease details, and proper tenant practices.
- Serve as an advocate in the community, attending local events and forums helping to build bridges and inform landlords and property managers about the importance of battling homelessness.

#### **Benefits**

- Internship credit with student's institution
- Florida Partnership to End Domestic Violence [FPEDV] Advocate Certification and training
- Networking connections with local professionals and community leaders from Alachua County Continuum of Care and Homeless Alliance
- Direct interaction with survivors, housing clients and experts in the social services fields
- Attending interesting and exciting organization events

## How to Apply

Email your resume and cover letter to Trish White (Economic Empowerment Program Coordinator) at TrishW@peacefulpaths.org, with the subject line "Housing Intern Application." Please feel free to reach out with any questions.