**Intern, Community Health Improvement Partnership**

Hennepin County Public Health (HCPH) is seeking an intern to support the Community Health Improvement Partnership (CHIP) of Hennepin County. The intern will work with community-based organizations and community members, the CHIP executive committee and action teams.

**Background information**

This internship is funded through a Cross-Sector Innovation Initiation grant Hennepin County received on behalf of CHIP from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Public Health Accreditation Board. The grant helps advance the unique role of public health in catalyzing work across multiple sectors and with communities to develop innovative solutions to societal issues. CHIP of Hennepin County was awarded 1 of 10 nationally awarded grants.

**Wages**

This internship pays $15.00 per hour and is non-benefit earning and non-permanent.

**Location, hours and duration of the internship**

This position will be based at the Health Services Building in Minneapolis at 525 Portland Avenue South, although much of the work will be at various locations in communities. The intern’s schedule is generally Monday through Friday but includes some community meetings which may be in the evenings or on weekends.

**NEW:** The internship will begin in early summer of 2020 with potential to extend based on availability of the selected candidate. The estimated time commitment is 12-15 hours per week with some flexibility.

**Description of duties**

1. Support CHIP funded community organizations in grassroots engagement of their communities:
   a. Support community organizations in identifying community strengths and challenges and engaging key stakeholders in their community

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b. Assist community organizations in developing a work plan that aligns with one of CHIP’s priorities: community mental well-being or housing stability. Work plan may include concrete actions and timelines, and methods for monitoring and tracking progress.

c. Build relationships with community leaders and members

2. Participate on the CHIP planning team to support the CHIP executive committee and action teams
3. Fulfill your school’s internship requirement while adding successful projects to your resume

Candidates must
Be enrolled in a post-secondary academic program working toward a certificate, undergraduate or graduate degree in community health, public health, public policy, urban planning or similar discipline. This internship must fulfill a requirement for field experience. Selected candidate must also have skill in using Microsoft Word and Excel.

Desired skills
1. Interest in engaging underrepresented members of our communities and developing lasting relationships
2. Ability to draw from lived or other prior experiences, particularly related to working with diverse communities
3. Some knowledge and skill in project planning
4. Strategic, flexible, and creative thinking

Candidates will receive
Unique opportunities to engage with leaders representing multi-sectoral organizations and build relationships with community organizations; gain wisdom, knowledge, and experience from community interactions; and opportunities to practice grassroots engagement while fulfilling grant and school required activities.

Please email your resume and cover letter by 3 PM on Friday April 3, 2020 to:
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