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## **2019 Goldmark Equal Access to Justice Internship**

The Goldmark Equal Access to Justice Internship is a 10 week, paid summer internship for 2Ls and 3Ls created in honor of the Legal Foundation of Washington's second president, Charles Goldmark. The Goldmark Internship provides hands-on experience in providing legal aid through research, writing, casework, and client services. In addition to gaining valuable experience in public interest law, the Goldmark Intern receives an \$8,000 stipend. The 2019 host organization for the Goldmark Internship is TeamChild.

### **About TeamChild**

TeamChild is a nationally recognized nonprofit serving vulnerable youth across Washington State. TeamChild is best known for its legal services program reaching children in crisis in King, Pierce, Spokane, and Yakima counties. Our clients are generally 12-18 years old or older and many are involved in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems. Our legal services program is designed to keep young people out of juvenile court by supporting them in how they want to reconnect to education, healthcare, housing, and other community supports. We work closely with families, public defenders, juvenile court staff, and the community to positively impact the young person's life while helping the youth to accomplish their goals and reduce further contact with the courts. Our mission is to uphold the rights of youth involved, or at risk of involvement, in the juvenile justice system to help them secure the education, healthcare, housing, and other support they need to achieve positive outcomes in their lives. In our work we aim to move systems away from exclusion, arrest, and incarceration towards more effective strategies that have the best chance of promoting the well-being and success of our most vulnerable children.

At TeamChild we believe that racial and other social identities should be respected and affirmed. In support of this belief, we are building an equitable and inclusive organization and providing our team of staff, volunteers, and Board members with the tools to address institutionalized racism and other forms of oppression. All members of our team are responsible for providing and supporting an equitable and inclusive work environment that will enrich our interactions with each other and our products and services. This responsibility provides the foundation for empowering the children and families that we serve so their needs are justly represented and their desires amply fulfilled.

**About Our Programs:**

TeamChild JR Institutions and Reentry Project– This workgroup serves youth and young adults incarcerated in Juvenile Rehabilitation facilities across the state. Our JR Institutions and Reentry Project attorneys provide direct legal representation to these youth and young adults on a wide range of legal issues.

**About the position:**

Along with good research and writing skills, we seek a law student intern who is culturally competent and adept at working with incarcerated youth, and youth of color. TeamChild encourages previously incarcerated applicants, as well as candidates from diverse backgrounds.

The position itself will entail a wide mix of tasks and opportunities. Interns will research and write memoranda about legal issues impacting our clients. Additionally, interns will research and create one-pagers for distribution to youth clients regarding basic issues and legal rights. Interns will also create or revise template pro se documents and information or instruction packets on issues that include relief from sex offender registration, reinstatement of firearm rights, and record sealing. The position will also require direct case work responsibilities, including making and processing records requests. Interns will likely do some traveling with attorneys to meet with incarcerated youth clients. This position will be based in our King County office in Seattle.

This is a full-time (35 hours per week) position that lasts for ten weeks.

**Qualifications:**

- Current 2L or 3L law student available to work full-time (35 hours a week) at TeamChild in the King County office for at least ten weeks during the 2019 summer. TeamChild is flexible regarding start and end dates.
- Prior experience working with disadvantaged youth preferred.
- Strong initiative, creativity, problem solving abilities, and thrives in work environment that nurtures growth, exploration, and innovation.

To Apply:

Applicants should send the following application materials to [Kristin Parker](#), Goldmark Internship Coordinator

- Current resume
- Registrar-provided official transcript reflecting Fall 2018 enrollment
- Cover letter or essay, minimum 500 words, describing your interest in the internship host program.