Kentucky Refugee Ministries- Lexington Spring 2022

Internship Opportunities

All Interns will primarily keep hours during regular business time (M-F 8:30-4:30). Preferred start dates would be in January 2022 and preferred end dates would be in May 2022.

To apply, please submit an application (kyrm.org), cover letter, and resume to Jessica Ashcraft at internships@krmlex.org.

The application window will close on December 10, 2021.

Immigration Legal Services Intern
Immigration Intern will assist staff attorneys and legal caseworker with administrative duties such as answering the phone, reminding clients about appointments, scanning, copying, filing, and letter writing. Immigration Intern will also be able to observe client interviews and the completion of immigration applications for permanent residency, citizenship, family reunification, and other forms of humanitarian relief. 8-12 hours/week.

Resettlement Intern (Case Management)
Intern will support case workers in providing and documenting services to clients within their first 90 days post arrival to the US. This position will include both office admin support and direct client work. Duties may include filing, scanning, scheduling, meeting with clients, visiting clients in their home, and accompanying clients to appointments. Interns must have a driver’s license and reliable vehicle, and willingness to transport clients. 8-10 hours/week.

Volunteer/Communications Intern
Intern will support the Volunteer Coordinator in recruiting, screening, training, and matching volunteers with appropriate service opportunities. Requires outstanding organizational skills, strong computer/software/database skills, an interest in non-profit organizational management, strong interpersonal and communication skills, and ability to work well with people of diverse cultural backgrounds. 8 hours/week (one 8 hour day or two 4 hour mornings preferred).

VOCA Intern
Intern will work with KRM’s Victim’s Advocate to implement a new program to assist refugees and underserved immigrants who are victimized by crimes. Will assist with outreach and communication tools to reach LEP individuals to understand their rights. Will work with the Advocate and interpreters to offer direct assistance to clients to navigate the process of reporting crimes, working with police, shelters, hospitals, accessing emergency resources, etc. Interns with Spanish and/or ability to transport clients preferred. 8-10 hours/week.

Donations Intern
Intern will assist Donations coordinator with donations pickups, apartment set-ups, and organizing and updating inventory. Will be also assist with cataloging in office donations and help keep track of current donation needs, working with community groups to organize donation drives. Intern must be able to lift furniture with no limitations, oftentimes up and down stairs. 6-8 hour days preferred. 8-12 hours/week.

Youth Services
Youth Services Intern will help with lesson planning, organizing Youth Services documents and materials. The position will also include occasional administrative and direct client support with school enrollment and referrals to out-of-school programs. Recruitment and networking are integral aspects of this position: recruiting youth for KRM youth programming, ensuring that contact information is up to date, and networking with local organizations to better inform youth and their families about resources available in the community. 8-10 hours/week, 2:30p to 6:30p on Tuesday and Thursday with flexible scheduling M-F for remaining hours. This intern would preferably be January 2022-August 2022

Housing Internship
Intern will assist Pre-Arrival and Housing coordinator with housing acquisition, apartment set-up, and various projects for arriving clients. Work with existing clients on housing applications, resolving maintenance issues, and other housing related inquiries as they arise. Additionally, help maintain and develop relationships with current and potential landlords for KRM clients in the Lexington area. 8-10 hours/week.

ESL/Cultural Orientation Intern
The ESL intern will assist our teachers in assessing and providing English language instruction to students at varying levels of language ability. Previous teaching experience, especially at the pre-reading level, is preferred. Intern will also assist with the logistics and presentation of Cultural Orientation classes. This may include modifying existing presentations and developing new topic presentations. Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays preferred.

Employment Intern
Employment intern will have the opportunity to assist in the development of programs to help clients attain employment. Programs include: job readiness, computer literacy, youth employment, essential skill development, and others that involve technology. Additionally, interns will have the opportunity to work directly with clients to help them find job opportunities by working on job applications, resume development, and networking with the community to build relationships. Interns with willingness and means to transport clients are preferred. Two 8 hour days/week preferred.