



## **Internship Announcement: Policy & Project Coordinator Intern**

Voice for Adoption (VFA) is a non-profit advocacy organization. VFA develops and advocates for improved adoption policies. Recognized as a national leader in special needs adoption, VFA works closely with federal legislators and state advocates, as well as other child welfare organizations, to make a difference in the lives of the 112,000 children in foster care who are waiting to be adopted and the families who adopt children from foster care. Voice for Adoption is to be a bi-partisan force, which shapes the future by providing accurate information on adoption issues, encouraging prompt adoption of waiting children, and supporting sound public policy in adoption. <http://voice-for-adoption.org>

### **Description:**

Are you interested in learning about non-profit work, advocacy strategies, public policy, and child welfare adoption issues? As an intern you will have the opportunity to work in a unique non-profit environment, gain invaluable knowledge and experience and work on meaningful projects that will help raise awareness about children in foster care who are waiting to be adopted. Interns will have an opportunity to attend relevant policy briefings and conference calls.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Track federal child welfare/adoption legislation
- Assist with coordination of annual adoption awareness project on Capitol Hill
- Build advocacy outreach lists & Congressional staff contacts
- Research & summarize trending foster care adoption resources
- Assist with social media communications
- Participate in advocacy brainstorming strategies

### **Qualifications:**

- Pursuing any undergraduate/graduate degree. Special consideration for those pursuing MPP/MSW
- An interest in advocacy, child welfare, adoption issues (or related interest)
- Effective time management and project coordination skills
- Excellent oral, written, and communication/ interpersonal skills

The duration and hours of this internship are flexible, based on student schedules. For more information or to share a resume please contact:

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