Development Internship

Washington, D.C.

Washington, D.C. has the highest rate of homelessness per capita in the United States and is one of the most economically divided cities in our country. Street Sense Media is looking for a socially conscious individual passionate about elevating the voices of people living without housing and leveraging their stories to create impact.

Street Sense Media (SSM) was founded in 2003 as a street newspaper. Today, it has evolved into a full-spectrum multimedia center that offers people experiencing homelessness and living in extreme poverty with economic opportunity, media training, arts workshops, and case management services. As a Development Intern, you’ll work with the director of development and communications to generate resources to support our organization’s mission and work. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about non-profit fundraising in a fast-paced, dynamic environment.

Internship periods: Fall semester, spring semester, or summer

Compensation: This is an unpaid internship. Academic credit may be provided.

We’re looking for someone who...

- Can dedicate 15+ hours per week to this position, half-time or full-time preferred.
- Is enrolled in or recently graduated from a communications, social sciences, or public policy degree program, or related field of study.
- Has strong writing skills.
- Has a commitment to social justice and is comfortable interacting with diverse audiences.
- Has a can-do attitude.

Preferred but not required qualifications include...

- Experience in individual fundraising, grant writing, or digital marketing.
- Experience with database management.
- Graphic design experience.
- Event planning expertise.

What you’ll be doing:

- Planning fundraising events and executing strategies for donor engagement and marketing.
- Drafting content for email updates to donors, annual reports, grants, or other fundraising content.
- Managing our donor records and processing donor gifts and thank you letters.

Contact: If interested, please send a resume, cover letter, and one short writing sample (2-3 pages), using this subject line: “[Semester, Year] Development Intern” to jobs@streetsensemedia.org.

Note regarding COVID-19: This internship can be a remote opportunity if needed.

Deadlines for application: November 15 (spring) | April 1 (summer) | August 15 (fall)