

Michael Stoops Diversity Fellowship

Seeking a few good interns

Some people wonder if their work will ever make a difference. Those who work at [Street Sense Media](#) don't have that problem.

An award-winning weekly paper based in Washington, D.C. is seeking a Diversity Fellow to join our staff for a semester for a chance to get involved with some of the most exciting work in American journalism today. We are looking for someone who has a deep willingness to learn about homelessness and poverty issues to pursue one of three career tracks for a semester: [Audience Engagement Track](#), [Graphic Design Track](#), and the [Editorial track](#).

By joining Street Sense Media as a fellow, you will learn from an elite team of top-notch journalists and storytellers who are passionate about informing the public on some of the most pressing issues facing the region. We produce compelling stories about everything from homelessness to the impact local government policy has on the city's most vulnerable communities.

The fellowship honors Michael Stoops, a human rights activist who dedicated his life to advocating for the rights of people experiencing homelessness. For many years, Stoops helped to uplift the voices of people living in extreme poverty and helped to foster a public dialogue around issues surrounding homelessness. He played an instrumental role in assisting with the initial creation of Street Sense Media and served for many years on our board of directors.

Until 2020, Street Sense relied on a single full-time journalist and a staff of unpaid interns and volunteers to produce issues of the paper. Today, we have tripled in size thanks to the work of our [previous editor](#). We now offer one paid fellowship opportunity per semester. We aim to provide this opportunity to people who would not otherwise be able to pursue an unpaid internship.

This fellowship provides a \$2,000 stipend per semester.

Requirements for the fellowship:

- A cover letter that provides an overview of how pursuing this paid opportunity would benefit you and your career.
- Must have a willingness to learn about homelessness and poverty.
- Must publish at least two stories (for journalism-track students), design two covers and two separate graphics (graphic design track), or produce ten original social media posts (audience engagement track).
- Agree to represent Street Sense as our Diversity Fellow for the entire semester.