



**Position:** Health and Housing intern – Public Health  
**Semester:** Fall 2019  
**Location:** Abrams Public Health Center, 3950 S Country Club Rd  
**Supervisor:** Program Coordinator - *PCHD Manager of Tobacco Prevention Program*

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## Background

Housing is an essential component of the reentry process for justice-involved individuals. Stable housing can give former justice-involved individuals a safe base to secure employment, education, medical and mental health treatment, substance misuse treatment, and reduce recidivism for newly released individuals.

Despite these clear benefits, attaining stable housing can be a challenge for individuals with a criminal record. Housing bans, discriminatory screening processes or application requirements from landlords, long waiting lists for public assistance housing, and insufficient affordable housing options can lead to homelessness. Counties are well positioned to assist with housing for justice-involved individuals as this issue intersects with justice, health, and human services systems.

To further local conversations on how to integrate and align housing and health care services for justice-involved individuals, the Pima County Health Department Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) Program and the Chronic Disease and Tobacco Program are mobilizing community and governmental stakeholders to centralize reentry services centered on health and housing.

## Position Summary

The Pima County Health Department is seeking a graduate level student intern to assist with local projects that support reentry housing and continuity of health resources for justice –involved individuals.

The position will provide the intern with an opportunity to gain a greater understanding of how housing practices and community-based work can be blended to improve health outcomes, improve quality of life, and improve population health, and strengthen local communities. The strategies identified for this internship project are:

- Investigate Reentry Justices resources for Justice involved individuals around the nation
- Collect and analyze data and document how to access resources
- Share resources learned with community coalitions through PowerPoint presentations and informal discussion forums



- Develop a report of techniques that Pima county can used by Pima County stakeholders to improve continuity of health resources for former justice-involved individuals
- Work with Pima County’s GIS Department to develop a resource map of housing for low-income individuals
- Attend coalition meetings regularly and assist with documenting project plans and reporting of project status
- Meet with preceptor weekly to submit completed assignments and discuss progress
- Comply with all Pima County policies

## Preference

The ideal candidate will be a Masters of Public Health (MPH) student majoring in public health policy or administration. The student will also be a quick and eager learner, detail oriented, organized and highly efficient, and has excellent communication and writing skills.

This is an unpaid position with a flexible work schedule.

## Responsibilities

### Graduate Student:

- Take lead in the development of project plans and reporting of project status along with other documentation;
- Plan, coordinate, and execute project/tasks with support from project managers;
- Coordinate team meetings, develop the agenda, track follow up activities, and report project status along with other documentation;
- Coordinate internal resources for project as needed;
- Investigate and formulate solutions in conjunction with project managers;
- Coordinate data collection logistics, including proper preparation of all materials;
- Conduct data entry as needed;
- Conduct secondary Investigate and literature reviews as needed;
- Develop method for collecting and analyzing data with support from project managers;
- Develop a summary report of all data findings;
- Meet with Preceptor weekly to submit completed assignments and discuss progress;
- Comply with all Pima County policies.

## Minimum Qualifications

- Currently enrolled with an accredited college or university
- Able to dedicate a minimum of one-semester
- Able to pass a background check



- Reliable transportation to and from the Pima County Health Department located at: 3950 S Country Club Rd.

## How to Apply

Submit a completed [internship application](#)

Immediate submissions are welcome and will be reviewed promptly. This internship position posting will be removed once the position is filled.

**No phone calls, please.**