Tennessee Alliance for Legal Services

Strengthening the Delivery of Civil Legal Help to Vulnerable Tennesseans

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Volunteer

TALS wouldn't be able to reach as many people as we do without the help of volunteers and interns. TALS seeks the following types of volunteers:

Lawyers

Licensed Tennessee attorneys are invited to volunteer with tn.freelegalanswers.org or 1-844-HELP4TN.

Local legal aid programs also have opportunities to volunteer for both lawyers and non-lawyers. If you are interested in volunteering or providing pro bono legal assistance to vulnerable Tennesseans, you can find more information about volunteering with legal aid programs in your area below.

East Tennessee

Legal Aid of East Tennessee

Middle Tennessee

Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands

West Tennessee

West Tennessee Legal Services

Memphis Area

Memphis Area Legal Services

Community Legal Center
Statewide Online Legal Assistance

If you are interested in providing online legal assistance, please click on the link below to learn more about Tennessee's state-wide online legal clinic.


The Tennessee Faith & Justice Alliance (TFJA)

The TJFA is a project of the Access to Justice Commission. It is an alliance of faith-based groups in Tennessee who commit to providing legal resources to their congregations and communities. To learn more, please follow the link below.

Faith Based Initiative

Interns

TALS works with undergraduate, graduate, and law students to develop meaningful internship plans. We accept interns and externs during fall, summer, and spring. Unless otherwise noted, TALS does not offer paid internships but will work with your school for academic credit or funding opportunities.

The intern(s) will provide legal research on various civil legal issues and support TALS staff attorneys to create innovative service delivery models. The intern(s) will be able to shadow 1-844-HELP4TN staff attorneys and sit in on helpline calls, attend staff meetings, and learn about all of TALS' programs. This internship provides the opportunity to strengthen legal research and writing skills, gain in-depth knowledge of civil legal issues, and learn more about access to justice and pro bono work in Tennessee.

To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and short writing sample to Kirsten Jacobson at kjacobson@tals.org.

Volunteers

TALS accepts organizational volunteers for other areas such as administration, training, communications, design, and more. Law students and college students seeking internships for credit are welcome too.
TALS also seeks volunteers during Equal Justice University. This year's event is August 28 - 30, 2019. Volunteer activities would include:

- Before the conference, prepping materials like nametags, event bags, etc.
- Assisting with registering 200+ attendees and guests
- Ensuring each of four training rooms are prepared for each training session
- Coordinating with speakers to ensure they are ready to present

What's Next?

If you're interested in volunteering or interning with TALS, contact Tim Hughes at thughes@tals.org - please include which area of TALS' work most interests you.