



Neighborhood Legal Services
of Los Angeles County

**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:
PEHP HOUSING STAFF ATTORNEY
FEBRUARY 2021**

Join the Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County (NLSLA) and become part of an energetic team of advocates that provides a wide-range of legal services aimed to address issues that disproportionately impact the poor. These services include litigation, providing litigation, training, policy advocacy, technical assistance, and community education.

NLSLA is seeking an attorney who will be part of a team of advocates focused on serving the needs of people experiencing homelessness and those at-risk of homelessness in conjunction with a collaborative of community partners. The ideal candidate will have a demonstrated passion and commitment to public interest law and prior experience assisting low-income individuals and client groups, with a sensitivity to those in crisis. The ideal candidate must possess strong research and organizational skills; the ability to effectively communicate verbally and in writing; and well-developed analytical skills. The candidate should be self-motivated with the ability to multi-task. Bilingual proficiency in Spanish, Armenian, Mandarin, Cantonese or another language spoken in poverty communities is strongly preferred.

Position: Housing Staff Attorney – Lawyers Preventing and Ending Homelessness Project (PEHP)

Availability: Availability is Immediate.

Salary: Starting at \$60,000 + commensurate with experience. Excellent benefits which include: choice of medical, dental, vision; life and disability insurance plans; 125 plan; loan reimbursement, bilingual pay supplement, sick and vacation pay, and 13 employer-paid holidays.

- Duties and Responsibilities:**
- Representation of families and individuals that are at-risk of homelessness or experiencing homelessness, with a focus on housing litigation.
 - Provide holistic and comprehensive legal services in a broad range of legal practice areas, including housing, re-entry, and public benefits.
 - Creating and conducting trainings for community partners and community members, Know Your Rights workshops, and staffing community outreach events.
 - Responsibility for maintaining relationships with community partners by attending regular case management meetings.
 - Regular travel to other NLSLA branch offices, courts, government agencies, shelters and community-based organizations throughout the Antelope Valley, San Fernando Valley and San Gabriel Valley expected once remote operations are lifted.

Qualifications: Must be licensed and eligible to practice law in California. Prior experience in housing or other poverty law is helpful. 2-5 years of housing experience preferred. Prior experience working with the unhoused population or poverty law is helpful.

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About NLSLA:

Founded in 1965 as part of our nation's War on Poverty, NLSLA is now one of the largest and most prominent public interest law firms in California. NLSLA provides free assistance to more than 150,000 low-income residents of Los Angeles County each year. Its operating budget for 2020 will reach \$22 million, with a staff of more than 160, including 80 attorneys.

NLSLA serves all of Los Angeles County with a special emphasis on the poverty communities of the San Fernando, San Gabriel, Pomona and Antelope Valleys, as well as the central county cities of Glendale, Burbank and Pasadena. NLSLA staff members are housed in four regional offices located in Pacoima, El Monte, Boyle Heights, and Glendale - where the program's administrative offices are also located. In addition, NLSLA advocates are co-located in courthouses in Van Nuys, Lancaster, Chatsworth, Pomona and Downtown LA; Hospitals and health centers in Sylmar, Van Nuys, North Hollywood and El Monte; and with social services providers in the Antelope Valley.

Advocates specialize in areas of the law that disproportionately impact the poor, including affordable housing and eviction defense, access to public benefits, support for domestic violence victims, access to healthcare, worker and consumer rights, as well as employment and training. NLSLA is particularly known for its innovative programs and collaborative models for delivering services across the County. Among those are the NLSLA Health Consumer Center (HCC) and Medical Legal Community Partnership projects ensuring that everyone receives the health care they need; Shriver Housing - LA providing right to counsel for evictions; Self-Help Legal Access Centers assisting the un-represented with domestic violence, family law and eviction cases in nine courthouses; Preventing and Ending Homelessness Project (PEHP) providing legal help to the homeless in Antelope, San Fernando and San Gabriel Valleys; and Disaster Legal Assistance providing support and help to low-income disaster survivors.

To apply:

Forward cover letter, resume, and writing sample to (no phone calls):

Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and writing sample to:

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