



Neighborhood Legal Services
of Los Angeles County

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:
Equal Justice Works Disaster Resilience Fellow
August 2021

Join 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 training and technical assistance, and community education.

NLSLA's Equal Justice Works Disaster Resilience Fellow will join a national cohort of 14 attorneys who have been deployed at partner organizations to provide direct legal services to disaster survivors. The ideal candidate will be a skillful attorney who can excel in a fast-paced, dynamic anti-poverty law practice and is capable of fiercely advocating on behalf of NLSLA clients in multiple forums. The candidate must have a demonstrated passion and commitment to public interest law and prior experience serving low-income individuals and client groups, with a sensitivity to those in crisis and/or survivors of a disaster. The ideal candidate must have two or more years of experience in public benefits, landlord-tenant, consumer, and/or employment law. The candidate will also possess strong research and organizational skills; the ability to effectively communicate verbally and in writing; and well developed analytical skills. Of critical importance is that the candidate be self-motivated with the ability to work independently. Bilingual proficiency in Spanish is preferred.

- Position:** Equal Justice Works Disaster Resilience Fellow
- Availability:** Availability is Immediate.
- Salary:** Starting at \$68,000 and commensurate with experience. Excellent benefits which include: choice of medical, dental, vision; life and disability insurance plans; 125 plan; 403(b), loan reimbursement, bilingual pay supplement, sick and vacation pay, and 14 employer-paid holidays.
- Duties and Responsibilities:**
- Represent survivors of Wildfires in administrative hearings and court cases with a focus on FEMA, SBA, landlord-tenant, consumer, employment, and other disaster related legal issues.
 - Conduct intakes.
 - Engage in outreach to natural disaster survivors.
 - Supervise pro bono volunteers at legal clinics and in disaster related cases.
 - Develop readable consumer flyers and other materials for disaster survivors.
 - Represent NLSLA at community events and meetings related to disaster preparedness and network with government, NGO, faith-based, and social services organizations relevant to disaster response.
 - Engage in peer-to-peer learning with Equal Justice Works Disaster Resilience Fellows across the country.
 - Actively contribute to and participate in Disaster Resilience Program cohort activities (resource exchanges; mandatory webinars and conference calls; and

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training events, including Equal Justice Works Leadership Development Training, held virtually October 12-14, 2021 and the American Bar Association's Equal Justice Conference in Spring 2022.

- Exercise leadership competencies as an Equal Justice Works Fellow.
- Contribute to required programmatic reporting and overall program evaluation.

Qualifications:

Licensed and eligible to practice law in California. Experience in public benefits, landlord-tenant, mobile home, consumer, and/or employment law. Desire to address systemic issues and develop general knowledge of poverty law. Ability to collaborate with a broad base of partners. Alignment with Equal Justice Works and NLSLA's mission and vision. Please note all Fellows are expected to fulfill the complete duration of the Fellowship and will be required to sign a Fellowship Agreement with Equal Justice Works.

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. 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 unrepresented 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 resume and cover letter to (no phone calls):

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

Human Resources

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All employment decisions at NLSLA are based on organizational needs, job requirements and individual qualifications, without regard to age, race, color, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran, disability status, family or parental status, or any other status protected by federal and CA state laws. NLSLA will not tolerate discrimination or harassment based on any of these characteristics.