**Summer 2018 Center for Parenting & Family Well-Being Internship**

**CHILDREN AT RISK – Houston, TX**

CHILDREN AT RISK is currently seeking candidates for our Summer 2018 Center for Parenting and Family Well-Being (CPFWB) Internship position. This position is a unique opportunity to conduct research, public policy analysis, and develop strategic communication systems within all projects related to the work of CPFWB. Our team works to see all Texas parents empowered to create homes that are safe, stable, nurturing, and aspirational for their children.

The selected candidate(s) will also work in partnership with CHILDREN AT RISK’s widely recognized Public Policy and Law Center (PPLC) and Center for Social Measurement & Evaluation (CSME) in the field of public policy and research respectively. Participants will have the opportunity to learn from a dedicated and creative staff of attorneys, public policy analysts, and researchers. PPLC & CSME have been tremendously successful in understanding passing legislation in the areas of human trafficking, juvenile justice, health and nutrition, education, and parent support.

Founded in 1989, CHILDREN AT RISK is an active research and advocacy non-profit dedicated to improving the quality of life of Texas’ children. We are the leading source of accurate information on children’s issues and an advocate and catalyst for change concerning the needs of all children in Texas.

**Responsibilities/Potential Projects**

Specific responsibilities will be dependent upon each candidate’s skills, career goals, interests, and CHILDREN AT RISK’s priorities. CHILDREN AT RISK anticipates that this internship will be utilized as a career development tool for the selected candidates and hopes to maximize the selected individual’s internship experience.

We are seeking dedicated, focused, and detail-oriented candidates that possess excellent research and writing skills to assist in research, advocacy, and communication efforts in the areas of family engagement, parent education, and child abuse prevention.

**Potential Projects include:**

* Researching child abuse and neglect prevention strategies;
* Conducting an assessment of parent education programs;
* Analyzing state funding of parent education programs;
* Exploring opportunities to expand access to parent education in innovative settings
* Compiling research and data into parent-friendly materials;
* Coordinating events, trainings, and webinars; and
* Developing content for websites, outreach materials, and social media.

**Preferred qualifications**

We are in search of dedicated individuals to be key members of our team. A sense of humor and a passion for social justice issues, along with the belief that education and advocacy on children’s issues are essential for societal improvement are strong plusses.

All candidates must be professional, with good written and verbal communication skills. Candidates should have a strong work ethic, positive attitude, and work well individually and in a team-oriented environment.

Benefits include a fun and engaging office atmosphere, recognition for tangible products that will benefit the organization beyond the spring, and the ability to have an impact on Texas children.

**Application Instructions:** Our positions are competitive and fill quickly. Interested candidates should submit a resume, a brief letter of interest, and a writing sample to Edith Rahimian at ERahimian@childrenatrisk.org. The deadline to submit applications for the position is January 8th, 2018. For more information on CHILDREN AT RISK please visit [www.childrenatrisk.org](http://www.childrenatrisk.org).

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