



The Network: Advocating Against Domestic Violence

2025-2027 EJW Fellowship Attorney Solicitation

Location: 33 N. Dearborn St., Ste. 2210, Chicago, IL 60602

Supervised by: Director of Housing Advocacy

Status: Full time, exempt

The Network: Advocating Against Domestic Violence (The Network) is a collaborative membership-based organization dedicated to ending domestic violence and the underlying systems of oppressions that sustain it. The Network is the leading systemic advocacy voice on behalf of victims, survivors, and service providers within the Chicago metropolitan area. The Network is committed to leading the development of evidence-based services and advocating for policies that are informed by the unique social and cultural dynamics that all victims and survivors face. Through the strength, knowledge, and first-hand experiences of the membership, The Network can amplify voices and build a complement of services that best meets the needs of victims and survivors in the Chicago area.

The Network's Housing Advocacy team works directly with survivors of gender-based violence ("GBV") and member organizations on housing legal issues, conducts housing assessments for the GBV coordinated entry system, conducts trainings, ensures the development and effective implementation of The Network's programming related to housing access for individuals and families affected by abuse and violence, and works to develop and implement strategies to close gaps and improve overall policy and system responses to those who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness due to GBV.

OPPORTUNITY

The Network is seeking to host recent graduates for Equal Justice Works Fellowships beginning in September of 2025. This is an exciting opportunity for individuals interested in housing and families affected by GBV to make a difference in how survivors are able to access and maintain their housing. Candidates should submit their application materials with a brief, no more than one-page outline of the project that are proposing in this area of law.

Potential projects could address one of the following, or be tailored to the applicant's lived



or professional experience:

- The intersection of safe housing and economic justice (e.g., credit repair, debt defense and safety considerations, identity theft)
- The impact of crime-free housing programs on survivors of gender-based violence
- The intersection of safe housing and immigration (language access, housing eligibility denial based on immigration status, eviction defense of immigrant survivors)

QUALIFICATIONS

Education

- JD anticipated by May 2025, recent law graduate, or experienced attorney seeking to make a career change to public interest work.

Experience

- Ideal candidate will have 1-2 years experience working with individuals in crisis, including survivors of gender-based violence or people experiencing housing instability
- Knowledge of service and housing needs of survivors of gender-based violence preferred
- Demonstrated commitment to social change in the area of violence against women.
- Excellent verbal and written communications skills
- Ability to work independently.
- Ability to effectively establish and maintain working relationships with peers and constituents at all levels of the association.

APPLICATION

The Network is an equal opportunity employer and seeks to employ qualified individuals based on individual merit. The Network does not discriminate against any individual with respect to the terms and conditions of employment based on that individual's race, sex, age, religion, color, national origin, disability, genetic information, marital status, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, housing status, or any other non-merit factor protected under state, local or federal laws. Equal Employment Opportunity applies to all personnel actions such as recruiting, hiring, compensation, benefits, promotions, training, transfer, termination, and opportunities for training. The Network is



committed to a fair and equitable workplace where everyone is a respected and valued member of the team. Black, Indigenous, Latinx, and other People of Color, women, LGBTQIA+ people, and those who have experienced domestic violence are strongly encouraged to apply.

Please send your resume, cover letter, and one-page proposal outline to Jaclyn Zarack Koriath at jkoriath@the-network.org. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Please do not call regarding the position.

For consideration for fellowships that begin in 2025, applications will be accepted until June 30, 2024.