

# MORPC LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

## **WHO WE ARE**

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) is Central Ohio's regional council with over 70 members comprised of counties, cities, villages, townships, and regional organizations. We take pride in bringing communities of all sizes and interests together to collaborate on best practices and plan for the future of our growing region. We do this through a variety of programs, services and projects and initiatives – all with the goal of improving the lives of our residents and making Central Ohio stand out on the world stage.

**The MORPC Local Government Summer Internship Program** is designed to provide qualified college students with the opportunity to obtain practical work experience with a local government within the 15-County area to prepare them for possible careers in public service. MORPC member governments are eligible to participate as hosts. Hosts pay MORPC a \$650 program fee per intern which covers training, mentors and special forums to supplement the intern's experience. MORPC coordinates the placement to match the host's request. Hosts make the final selection decision and provide the hourly wage.

Interns work for a host for a minimum of 12 hours to a maximum of 40 hours per week for a 14-week period. Interns may gain applicable knowledge to enhance classroom learning through working with current government professionals as well as insights on the services provided by a regional planning commission. Interns have the opportunity to attend commission meetings, and/ or special MORPC-sponsored events and forums during their internship program period.

#### **WHO**

# Qualified college students that meet the following requirements:

- 30 hours of completed college coursework
- Interest in public service careers
- GPA 3.0 or higher (preferred)
- Legally eligible to work in the USA
- Reliable transportation to and from work (preferred)

### WHAT

- 14-week summer internship (Minimum 12 hours per week)
- \$11 minimum per hour undergraduates
- \$14 minimum per hour graduates (minus applicable taxes)

#### WHEN

May 10, 2021 – August 13, 2021



#### **BENEFITS**

Interns will...

- Gain practical work experience for a possible career in public service
- Be mentored by a professional in the field
- Gain exposure to the services offered by a regional planning commission by attending commission meetings, program work groups and/or special MORPC-sponsored events and forums

#### **HOSTS**

Host governments gain fresh perspectives from talented college students and valuable assistance on projects. Hosts can obtain an intern request form by visiting morpc.org/careers, then click Local Government Summer Internship Program.

## **APPLY**

Applications will open November 1, 2020 at morpc.org. Visit morpc.org/careers, then click Local Government Summer Internship Program.

## **QUESTIONS**

Email Eileen Leuby, MORPC Membership Services Officer eleuby@morpc.org or call 614.233.4135