



2016-2017 STAR OF THE NORTH FELLOWSHIP

OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

The [Department of Human Services](#)' Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) is seeking a full-time Star of the North Fellow.

OVERVIEW:

The fellow will develop a report and supplemental materials that highlight OEO programs and illustrates the movement of people out of poverty through OEO funded programs. A final report may describe a portrait of a family served by OEO programs.

The fellow will work with existing outcome reports, strategic partners, grantees and stakeholders to gather data and material, highlighting individuals who have received services.

In addition, there will be 3 small special projects focusing on each program area: Housing, Community Action, and Food.

WHAT WE REQUIRE:

- Must be a recent graduate of a graduate program or law school with a degree conferred in 2015 or by July 1, 2016 in the field of:
 - Social Work
 - Public Policy
 - or other related subject areas
- Strong written and oral communication skills
- Coursework, knowledge, and/or experience with programs and issues related to people in poverty

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

About the Office of Economic Opportunity: Delivered by community-based organizations, economic opportunity programs seek to remove the barriers imposed by poverty on the health and development of children and families. Economic opportunity programs share the common philosophy that families and individuals who have the resources to promote their own growth and development are motivated to support themselves and contribute to the community. These programs function together to support families and individuals as they fulfill their basic needs for food, clothing and shelter and attain the skills and knowledge to become more self-sufficient.

Economic opportunity programs include:

- *Community Action Agencies:* a statewide network of participant-influenced agencies and Tribal Governments with a common purpose to fight the effects of poverty in Minnesota.
- *Homeless and Shelter Programs:* programs that provide emergency shelters, transitional housing and other supportive services through an array of non-profit organizations across the state. These programs assist participants to secure and maintain stable housing and increase self-sufficiency.
- *Emergency Food Programs:* a combination of food assistance, nutrition education and outreach programs to meet basic nutritional needs of low-income Minnesotans.

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