



## **BeHeLP UP**

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# **Mental Health Advocacy Services, Inc. Seeks Law Student for Veterans Legal Corps – AmeriCorps JD Position**

BeHeLP-UP at Mental Health Advocacy Services, Inc. (MHAS) is an Equal Justice Works Veterans Legal Corps AmeriCorps program that provides direct legal services to veterans in the greater Long Beach/San Pedro area of Los Angeles County. This unpaid national service position provides a law student with the opportunity to earn a **\$1,230 Segal AmeriCorps Education Award** for dedicating 300 hours of service to a qualifying legal project with a nonprofit program or other qualifying organization. AmeriCorps law students are immersed in a network of more than 80,000 AmeriCorps Members nationwide and receive invaluable experience in various legal areas.

As a BeHeLP-UP service member, students provide legal assistance that ultimately leads to higher incomes, better health, safer and more secure housing, and family stability for veteran clients. Students will be exposed to direct services that can include government benefits advocacy for veterans with complex physical and mental health challenges, work to eliminate legal barriers to housing and employment, resolution of consumer debt, and advocacy to reduce or dismiss fines, warrants, and tickets.

## **AMERICORPS REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS LAW CLERK POSITION**

- Be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or Lawful Permanent Resident of the United States
- Complete the AmeriCorps application process
- Agree to criminal background checks during application process
- Be supervised by licensed attorney
- Have less than four terms of AmeriCorps service

## **MHAS REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS LAW CLERK POSITION**

- Have completed at least one year of education at an accredited law school at time clerkship commences
- Agree to complete at least 300 hours of unpaid volunteer legal service work with MHAS prior to August 31, 2018

Law students may complete the required volunteer hours as part of MHAS's 10-week summer internship program during summer 2018, which begins May 29, 2018.

To apply, email your cover letter, resume and writing sample to [pmarx@mhas-la.org](mailto:pmarx@mhas-la.org). Applications accepted until positions are filled.