

Interning with Amara

Amara offers a variety of different experiences to help students learn more about non-profit operations, client services, donor relations, communications, event planning, and more. At Amara, we strive to provide:

Mutually Beneficial Relationships

Interns gain hands-on experience and grow professionally under the supervision of a professional in the field of their interest while Amara benefits from the skills, motivation, and work ethic of the intern.

Diversity

We strive for equality and justice by working to address racism, unequal treatment and other barriers to inclusion. Amara strongly encourages candidates from diverse backgrounds-including communities of color, the LGBTQ+ community, veterans, and people with disabilities-to apply to our internship program

We seek interns who are interested in:

- Learning more about child welfare
- Gaining knowledge of the foster care system
- Understanding non-profit management
- Making a difference!

Our expectations of Amara Interns:

- Have a passion for excellence
- Be self-motivated to complete all internship learning objectives, including service hours
- Express all professional development interests so they can be offered opportunities that support these interests

Internship requirements:

- Age Requirements
 - 21 years of age to intern at the Emergency Sanctuaries and with our Clinical Team
 - 16 years of age or older to intern in the office in an administrative capacity
- Commitment
 - Emergency Sanctuaries: Minimum of 8 hours per week, for six months
 - Administrative: Minimum of 4 hours per week, for three months
 - Clinical/Social Work: Minimum of 8 hours per week, for nine months
- Complete a background check and fingerprinting (fingerprinting for Sanctuaries only)
- Complete all training and other licensing requirements as outlined for each position

Internship positions available:

- Emergency Sanctuary – Direct Childcare
- Communications - Administrative and Outreach
- Volunteer Engagement – Administrative and Outreach
- Clinical – Administrative
- Development – Administrative

Internship Application Process

Thank you for your interest in applying for an internship with Amara. Below, please review the application process and letter of interest instructions. We accept Emergency Sanctuary internship applications no less than 60 days before the start of your internship, and no less than 30 days for all other internships.

1. Complete our online intern application by [clicking here](#).
2. Submit your completed Internship Letter of Interest to volunteers@amaraputskidsfirst.org
3. Expect to be contacted within 7 business days from the date your Letter of Interest is submitted.
4. If there is an internship opening that meets your requirements, we will contact you via email to schedule an interview.

Letter of Interest Required Content

Your Letter of Interest provides us with the information needed to fully understand your unique internship requirements and gives us a glimpse into why you want to intern with Amara. This information ensures we are able to meet those requirements, before scheduling an interview.

Contact Information

- First and last name
- Phone number to best reach you
- Primary email address

In your letter, please include the following:

- Why Amara?
- Desired internship location (Seattle or Tacoma)
- Learning objectives
- Hours requirement
- Start and end date of internship
- Site supervisor requirements (BSW, MSW, LICSW, # of years in the field, etc)
- Any relevant past work or volunteer experience
- Availability for interview scheduling

If you have any questions, please email volunteers@amaraputskidsfirst.org