



## Q-Law Sher Kung Summer Fellowship - 2018 Tacoma/Pierce County Office

TeamChild is seeking a full-time Summer Fellow for our Tacoma, WA office, located at 715 Tacoma Ave. South. The fellow will work in partnership with Oasis Youth Center and be co-located at Oasis and TeamChild. Under the guidance of TeamChild attorneys and in consultation with Oasis Youth Center the fellow will advise LGBTQ youth about their legal rights. The fellow will be asked to research various legal issues frequently affecting LGBTQ youth in the community and develop policy responses to those issues. The fellow will also be asked to develop sustainable policy options to create an ongoing TeamChild/Oasis legal clinic partnership. Duties also include community education, outreach to clients and potential referral sources and collaboration on community based projects that serve TeamChild's and Oasis Youth Center's client base.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** We are seeking candidates who are respectful and open to working with people from diverse backgrounds, enjoy creative problem solving, value the creation of relationships across disciplines, have strong organizational and administrative skills, work well both independently and as a team member, and are enthusiastic about being a part of an innovative method of advocacy. Additional qualifications include:

- Rule 9 eligible law student or recent graduate.
- Strong oral and written communication skills.
- Strong legal skills, preferably in the relevant areas of law.
- Demonstrated interest in working with LGBTQ youth or young adults.
- Demonstrated competence in working with diverse clients and client communities.
- Connections to Pierce County a plus.
- Demonstrated ability to collaborate effectively with other advocates and client groups.
- Sense of humor.
- Willingness to work nights and weekend hours when Oasis Youth Center is open for programming.

All interested individuals, including people of color, women, persons with disabilities, and persons who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or intersex are particularly urged to apply.

**SALARY AND BENEFITS:** \$7,500 for 10 week fellowship.

**TEAMCHILD:** TeamChild is a Washington State nonprofit civil legal services program for youth with offices in King, Pierce, Spokane, and Yakima Counties. TeamChild works closely with public defenders, probation officers and others in the juvenile justice system, and provides legal representation to youth on

their rights to education, Medicaid, safe and stable housing, mental health treatment, and other social services. TeamChild is a nationally recognized, innovative interdisciplinary model of advocacy that works to secure community-based services for young people, with the goal of addressing many of the problems underlying criminal behavior in youth. For more information see <a href="http://www.teamchild.org">http://www.teamchild.org</a>.

**OASIS YOUTH CENTER:** Oasis transforms the lives of queer youth by creating a safe place to learn, connect, and thrive. Oasis envisions a world in which queer youth are valued in the community as strong, creative leaders.

Oasis is the only drop-in and support center dedicated to the needs of LGBTQ youth ages 11-24 in Pierce County. We are a youth-adult partnership in which youth and adults come together for shared teaching learning and action! <a href="http://www.oasisyouthcenter.org/">http://www.oasisyouthcenter.org/</a>

Oasis is committed to creating a safe, affirming space for LGBTQ youth to be proud of who they are with the encouragement they need to become healthy, productive and fully participating members of the community. Supported by a team of dozens of staff and volunteers, Oasis offers an amazing array of activities to more than 900 youth annually. Oasis is the lead Crime Victim Service Center for Pierce County and offers programming that spans the advocacy, prevention, and leadership development continuum.

## Oasis produces activities, programming and advocacy that:

- Supports and empowers youth
- Creates healthy community
- Provides essential resources
- Promotes cultural diversity
- Advocates for civil rights

**E-MAIL RESUME AND LETTER OF INTEREST TO:** Paul Alig, TeamChild Managing Attorney, at <u>jobs@teamchild.org.</u> In the subject line of the email please put "Summer 2018 Intern: Q-Law Sher Kung Summer Fellowship." Questions? Call (253) 204-2761. Position open until filled.

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