2022-2023 The Fortune Society Volunteer/Internship Program

About Fortune: The Fortune Society, Inc. (Fortune) has evolved into one of the nation’s preeminent reentry and justice-informed service organizations, providing formerly-incarcerated people with the skills and wrap-around services needed to break the cycle of crime and incarceration and to build productive lives in their communities. Our Mission: The Fortune Society’s mission is to support successful reentry from incarceration and promote alternatives to incarceration, thus strengthening the fabric of our communities.

Opportunity Title: Policy Advocacy Intern
Type: Intern, unpaid
Department: David Rothenberg Center for Public Policy (DRCPP)
Location: In-Person (Long Island City)
Tentative Schedule: 10 hours per week commitment (sometime Mon-Fri 9am-5pm)
Duration: Fall (Sept 1-Dec 15); Spring (Feb 1-May 15); Summer (June 1-Aug 15)
Application Deadline: Ongoing until opportunity is filled.

Position Summary: The role of the Policy Advocacy Intern within the David Rothenberg Center for Public Policy (DCRPP) will be to support our advocacy efforts around ending mass incarceration, addressing conditions of confinement, and supporting successful re-entry.

Tasks / Primary Responsibilities
▪ Research and analysis that supports development of advocacy strategies and policy work.
▪ Support existing advocacy activities as well as contributing ideas for future legislation/policies.
▪ Open to attend rallies supported by The Fortune Society.

Learning Objectives
▪ Develop familiarity with legislative advocacy processes and strategies.
▪ Gain experience collaborating with diverse stakeholders in criminal legal system reform efforts.
▪ Intern will develop an in-depth understanding of public policy and urgent social issues by integrating research, policy analysis, advocacy, and information technology.

Preferred Qualifications:
▪ Must have an interest and appreciation for the challenges faced by people who have criminal justice involvement, including collateral consequences that last well beyond time spent in prison or jail.
▪ Demonstrate a commitment to social justice and policy advocacy
▪ Proficient in using Google Suite and Excel;

Additional Requirements
- Must be 18+ of age
- Must have personal laptop/computer with reliable internet connection
- Must show proof of completed COVID-19 vaccination (boosters not required to comply with EO47).

To Apply
- Submit an online application at https://fortunesociety.org/volunteer-or-intern-with-us/.
- Applications selected for a phone/zoom interview will be contacted via email to schedule. If selected to interview, candidates will need to submit their most recent resume.