SISTERLOVE, INC. SEEKS YOUTH HEALTH ADVOCACY INTERN

ABOUT SISTERLOVE: Headquartered in Atlanta, GA, and with offices in South Africa, SisterLove, Inc.'s (SLI) mission is to eradicate the impact of HIV and sexual and reproductive oppression upon all women, their families, and communities locally and internationally. Established in 1989, SLI was the first organization in the US South to explicitly focus on the needs of Black women living with HIV (WLHIV) and other communities disproportionately impacted and least recognized in direct services, research, and advocacy in the HIV epidemic. SLI utilizes an interdisciplinary human rights, harm reduction, and Reproductive Justice (RJ) approach to its direct services (testing, counseling, sexuality education), community mobilization and support among WLHIV, and its Policy and Advocacy Program (PAP).

ABOUT THE POSITION: SLI seeks a part-time, youth advocacy intern to assist SisterLove's Policy and Advocacy team in local community organizing efforts. The intern will have an opportunity to gain valuable experience working at the intersection of HIV and public health policy, reproductive justice advocacy, youth leadership, and social justice. Interns will be expected to engage in direct educational advocacy with relevant state and local agencies and elected officials; provide public testimony (oral and written) on relevant issues; engage in public mobilization via social media, other digital communications, and traditional media; attend and report on public hearings and meetings; draft public education materials, as well as assist with the day-to-day administrative and office duties.

INTERNSHIP DATES:

Spring: January-April (ideally at least 15 hours per week)

Summer: May–August (ideally at least 25 hours per week)

Fall: September–December (ideally at least 15 hours per week)

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- ❖ Must be able to work a minimum of 15 hours/week
- ***** Experience working with youth (ages 13-24)
- ❖ Familiarity with sexual and reproductive health challenges youth face
- ❖ Demonstrated interest in social/racial justice, women's rights, and/or LGBTQ rights
- ❖ Familiarity working with people of all ages and diverse, intersecting social identities
- Strong proficiency in Microsoft Office
- Experience using various social media sites
- Clear and effective written and verbal communication skills
- ❖ Education and/or experience in public health, public policy, LGBTQIA rights, women's rights, advocacy

BENEFITS: This is an <u>unpaid internship</u>. Applicants are encouraged to seek external funding and/or academic credit throughout the course their internship.

TO APPLY: Please submit the following documents as one PDF via email with subject line "your name_internship application" to Sequoia Ayala, sayala@sisterlove.org.

- o Resume;
- O Statement of interest, *no longer than 1 page*, identifying relevant experience with specificity and explaining why you are passionate about SLI's work;
- o Reference List with contact information for (2) two references;
- o Short Writing Sample (no longer than 3 pages).

For questions regarding this position, please email Sequoia Ayala at savala@sisterlove.org.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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