

Undergraduate Internship at Volunteer Legal Advocates in Montgomery County, Maryland January 2026 - May 2026

Volunteer Legal Advocates (formerly DC Volunteer Lawyers Project) is breaking the cycle of violence for survivors and children through pro bono legal aid. We recruit, train, and support a dedicated network of volunteer attorneys who provide free legal representation to survivors of domestic violence, immigrant survivors of gender-based violence, and vulnerable children in dangerous situations. With hands-on staff support, our volunteers handle protection orders, custody, and immigration cases, serve as court-appointed attorneys for children, and staff walk-in clinics that offer legal guidance, safety planning, and referrals to essential resources. Our innovative model expands access to justice for thousands of clients at no cost to them. Learn more at VolunteerLegalAdvocates.org.

Volunteer Legal Advocates is seeking current college students or recent graduates to join our dedicated staff of lawyers and administrators for a part-time spring semester internship in Rockville, MD., beginning **January 20, 2026**, and ending in May 2026. Our Maryland office supports and trains volunteer attorneys to represent domestic violence survivors in the areas of family law and divorce, protective orders, and in our domestic violence and family law clinic. This is a unique opportunity to work with a dedicated team, gain vital experience at a legal services nonprofit, and help increase access to justice for under-served, low-income survivors of domestic violence and at-risk children.

Internship Responsibilities:

- Attend court hearings virtually and in person at Montgomery County District Court and provide legal and administrative support to the supervising and volunteer attorneys.
- Assist in case administration of Domestic Violence matters, including court document management.
- Support the operations of our remote and in-person Domestic Violence Clinics.
- Work throughout the semester to research and present on a topic that interests you regarding services related to the organization.
- Any additional projects assigned.

Requirements:

- Minimum commitment of 12-15 hours per week.
- Availability to attend our weekly legal clinic at Rockville Library from 11:30am-4:00pm every Wednesday.
- Availability to travel to and from our Rockville office, legal clinics, and Montgomery County District Court (a Volunteer Legal Advocates-funded SmarTrip card is provided, if needed, for travel on Metrorail and Metrobus).
- Keen attention to detail and strong organizational, computer, and writing skills.
- Positive attitude and ability to deal with sensitive issues.
- Availability on April 28th, 2026 for the Intern Final Presentation.

The stipend for this internship is \$500, which will be paid in two installments of \$250 (installments are paid during the first and last week of the internship). Volunteer Legal Advocates can also assist in obtaining academic credit if provided with the required documents.

To Apply:

Spanish-speakers and those with an interest in law school are strongly encouraged to apply. If you are interested in applying for this exciting opportunity, please email your cover letter and resume, including Maryland Undergraduate Legal Internship in the subject line by September 19, 2025, to Jakiah Webb at Internships@volunteerlegaladvocates.org.