



Host Site: Blue Ridge Legal Services, Inc.

Topic of Project: Homelessness

Location: Harrisonburg, VA

Description of Fellow Project:

Blue Ridge Legal Services, Inc. (BRLS) is seeking a Rural Summer Legal Corps Student Fellow to conduct outreach to homeless individuals in the Shenandoah Valley in need of birth certificates. The Fellow will be responsible for replicating this project which has already been implemented in part of our service area by our Roanoke office, in collaboration with the Roanoke Homeless Assistance Team. The Fellow will follow this model of service delivery and be responsible for replicating the project throughout the rest of the BRLS service area: the cities and counties served by our Winchester, Harrisonburg, and Lexington offices.

Under the supervision of BRLS staff attorneys, the Student Fellow will be responsible for developing the project, including tasks such as: researching existing similar programs, surveying organizations that serve homeless individuals across the Shenandoah Valley, establishing partnerships with those organizations as needed, conducting outreach to homeless individuals, and helping clients complete the birth certificate application process.

Additional Applicant Qualifications:

None

