Host Site: Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc.

Topic of Project: Housing

Location: Miami, FL

Description of Fellow Project:

The Rural Summer Legal Corps Student Fellow will support Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc.’s Mobile Home Park Advocacy Project, which serves mobile home park residents in rural South Dade Florida and Monroe Counties. The Fellow will serve some of the most marginalized and isolated low-income residents in the southernmost reaches of Florida by participating in the full range of activities in which a legal services attorney can expect to engage. The Fellow will participate in both individual and group advocacy to address the affordable housing crisis in rural South Florida. This will include working with client groups, engaging in transactional advocacy, assisting in the representation of a group client in state court litigation, assisting in the representation of individual clients, and developing the skills necessary to work with diverse clients.

Additional Applicant Qualifications:

- Strong interest and commitment to serving the low-income community with a focus on families, older adults, and veterans.
- Knowledge and/or experience working with low-income clients and groups.
- Ideally, basic knowledge of mobile home, business, or landlord tenant law.
- Strong communication and legal research and writing skills.
- Spanish or Haitian Creole fluency preferred, but not required.
- Access to reliable private transportation. Mileage reimbursement is paid.
- Regular travel to South Dade and Monroe County will be required. Depending on COVID-19 restrictions, remote work may be required. Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc. provides required technology to support remote/virtual work.