



/ 2023 Disaster Resilience Program Project Descriptions

Below are the Disaster Resilience Program Student Fellow project descriptions for the summer of 2023. The Disability Rights California site project description is provided below:

Host Site: Disability Rights California

Topic of Project: Disaster and Disability Rights

Location: Sacramento, CA (primarily a remote position)

Number of Open Positions: 1

Description of Fellow Project:

The Disaster Resilience program responds to the legal needs of Californians with disabilities before, during, and after wildfire disasters. Issues stemming from these disasters include Public Safety Power Shutoff events, housing displacement and a lack of accessible and affordable housing, emergency transportation/evacuation, and the negative health impacts of poor air quality. This team partners with grassroots community groups throughout the state to strengthen existing disaster resource centers and coalitions and provides accessible clinics, trainings, and direct legal services to people with disabilities. Depending on the caseload, the law student fellow may gain experience with:

- Interviewing clients and consumers.
- Providing counsel and advice on self-advocacy.
- Legal research and writing.
- Legislative analysis and writing.
- Conducting trainings in law and multicultural outreach.

Applicant Qualifications:

N/A