



**Host Site:** East River Legal Services

**Topic of Project:** Consumer Law/Family Law/Housing

**Location:** Aberdeen, SD

**Description of Fellow Project:**

The Fellow will provide outreach and support to the Aberdeen Staff Attorney and Executive Director as they continue to develop relationships with agencies in the northern part of the state, where ERLS has previously not had a strong physical presence. There are several communities in the Aberdeen area with new immigrants who have moved to the area for meat packing plant work. A recent statewide needs assessment highlighted the legal needs of immigrants and includes housing, consumer, and family law. ERLS is interested in connecting with the local immigrant communities to understand their legal needs and provide information and advice to individuals in rural areas.

The Student Fellow in Aberdeen will provide direct case service assistance to clients in the Aberdeen area by supporting the Staff Attorney with client interviews, research, drafting pleadings, and hearing preparation.

**Additional Applicant Qualifications:**

The Fellowship will be in-person. Karen, Spanish, Vietnamese, and Kurdish as a second language would be preferred, but are not required.

