

# **Development Internship**

Wish of a Lifetime (WOL) is a nonprofit based in Denver, CO whose mission is to shift the way society views and values our oldest generations by fulfilling seniors' dreams and sharing their stories to inspire those of all ages. These meaningful experiences connect seniors with the passions, people, and purpose that bring meaning and joy to life. Wish of a Lifetime strives to engage the community in supporting and celebrating these amazing seniors, and contributing to the accomplishment of their lifelong dreams.

## Eligibility

The internship program is designed for individuals with the goal of becoming leaders in the non-profit sector. Interns work closely with staff members in a collaborative environment and during their term of service are expected to complete projects that contribute to the execution of the organization's mission and vision. Ideal candidates will possess a desire to enact meaningful social change within the community. Participation will provide interns with the opportunity to gain skills and experience in communication, business writing, fundraising, donor development and stewardship, event management, and customer relationship management.

### **Positions**

WOL offers both academic and non-academic internships. Internships provide the opportunity to engage in meaningful nonprofit work through WOL's communications department. Development Interns could be asked to:

- Assist with planning/execution phases of one or more of the organization's four major annual fundraising campaigns - Valentine's Day, Annual Gala, Skis Suds and Soul, and End of Year
- Solicit in-kind donations for events
- Work in donor database to pull reports and update donor data
- Assist with creating written materials for stewardship outreach
- Stewardship calls to donors, thanking them for their support
- Research new grant opportunities
- Collaborate with Development team to write grant applications
- Assist with planning and implementation of individual donor campaign(s)
- Work with Development team to develop and print collateral for fundraising campaigns
- Assist other departments as needed

#### Details

- Interns receive a stipend of approx. \$166 per month for the three-month internship, intended to defray expenses associated with the volunteer internship
- All positions are based in Denver, Colorado
- Some flexibility for working offsite is available
- Internships typically run for 12 weeks and are concurrent with the academic schedules of Colorado institutions of higher learning. WOL attempts to be flexible with internship scheduling.
- Accommodations will be made for holidays and academic and/or work schedules
- Interns are expected to follow the WOL Intern/Volunteer handbook and are responsible for fulfilling the time commitment as noted
- Interns are expected to fulfill a minimum of 16 hours per week and a total of 200 hours throughout the course of the internship
- Interns are responsible for their own transportation, parking and housing

#### Qualifications

- Knowledge of the non-profit sector, either through coursework, volunteerism or employment experience.
- Excellent communication skills with the ability to confidently and clearly communicate information verbally and in writing.
- The ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality with information that will be obtained in daily interactions.
- Proficiency in all MS Office programs with an emphasis on MS Word, Excel, and internet research tools.
- Some volunteer experience preferred, although not required

#### General

- Other duties as assigned
- All interns are expected to spend a portion of their time engaged in administrative support to staff and Board of Directors

## **Application Process**

- Please submit a cover letter and resume/work history via email addressed to Jared Bloomfield
  - Jared@wishofalifetime.org
- We are interested in learning the following about you:
  - o Academic and career goals
  - o Skills, work and volunteer experience, coursework relevant to the internship
  - Employment history
  - Any information that you think will help explain why you should be chosen for this internship.
  - o Why is it important to value senior citizens?
  - o Availability and schedule preferences
- Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is chosen for each available position