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Impact Interns: Summer 2021

Organization Information					
Organization Name:	Maryland League of Conservation Voters Education Fund				
	Maryland League of Conservation Voters				
Address:	30 West Street, Suite C, Annapolis, MD 21401				
Website:	www.marylandconservation.org				
	https://www.mdlcv.org/				
Organization Description:	Maryland League of Conservation Voters (Maryland LCV) is a state-wide, nonpartisan organization that uses political action and education to protect our air, land, water and public health. We are the leading legislative watchdog in Annapolis, advocating for smart and effective environmental policies and holding elected officials accountable for their votes through our scorecards and elections. We have been a part of nearly every major state environmental policy accomplishment since our founding in 1979.				
	The Maryland League of Conservation Voters Education Fund (MD LCV Ed Fund) is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit committed to building the effectiveness of the environmental community since 2000. We are dedicated to maximizing the participation of conservation-minded voters in public policy decisions made at the state and local levels regarding Maryland's environment and natural resources. Our programs strengthen and build the power of the environmental community, and they expand, deepen, and activate a base of conservation-minded voters around the state.				
Intern Supervisor:	Ben Alexandro, Water Program Director, balexandro@mdlcv.org				
(Name, title, email)					

Position Description

Internship Time Period	⊠Summer 2021			
(include projected dates):	Internship dates: (flexible) mid-May or early June through			
	mid or late August			
Hours Per Week:	30-40			
Number of Weeks:	10-12			
Undergrad/Grad Intern	⊠Graduate			
eligibility:	□Undergraduate			
Internship Description and	Reports to Water Policy Advocate			
Duties:	- Translate complex practices and policies into			
	reports, one-pagers, memos, and other materials			



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that are digestible b	y ad	lvocates,	pol	icy ma	kers,
and/or the general	publ	lic.			

- Research policies on the state, federal and local level across the nation to brainstorm potential policies and campaigns for the organization to execute/ advocate for.
- Research real world implementation of policies and translate them into policy recommendations.
- Help coordinate campaign activities of environmental organizations
- Assist in development of messaging, communications, and campaign strategy
- Attend coalition and government meetings as necessary.
- Calculate and verify pollution reduction measures to ensure compliance with regulations and enforcement in several across the state.
- Interview practitioners to learn compelling stories of pilot pollution reduction practices around Maryland. create visually compelling education materials.
- Exact duties depend on projects chosen.

Description of long-term project the Impact Intern will lead or substantively contribute Project 1: 2022 policy analysis project: In depth policy analysis to inform 2022 Maryland state legislative session. Assess the connections between water quality and climate change, connections between water and racial justice and equity and land and forest conservation to help propose policies and potential bill language for the 2022 legislative session. One specific focus of this work will be Maryland state level **forest conservation policy** research and development: Helping to coordinate decisionmaker education and environmental advocacy programs for county level forest policies in Montgomery, Charles, and Baltimore Counties as well as help coordinate development of Maryland statewide potential bill language for the 2022 legislative session. Another focus of this project will be a '30 by 30' campaign: aid in developing a Maryland state specific campaign to aid the nationwide adoption of a goal to protect 30% of America's Land and Water by 2030.

Project 2: Pollutions Solutions Project: find and showcase pollution reduction projects such as raingardens and riparian buffers as part of a large communications and education campaign. Adding and improving new content and projects and working on a campaign to educate



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	decisionmakers to convince them to fund similar projects.				
	Previous showcased projects can be found here:				
	https://mostcenter.umd.edu/casestories				
Qualifications and/or skills	Required:				
desired:	- Detail oriented, ability to juggle a variety of tasks at				
	once				
	 experience with Microsoft Office and Google Docs. Demonstrated ability as a self-starter and problemsolver. Ability to generate concise memorandums (memos), letters, and detailed reports. Shares Maryland LCV's commitment to increasing racial diversity in our movement and organization, integrating justice and equity into the work we do and ensuring an inclusive organizational culture. Policy research and experience reviewing and 				
	deciphering complex policies/regulations.				
	Preferred:				
	- Environmental, Policy and /or communications				
	 background preferred Watershed, climate, forest, conservation, and/or environmental science knowledge is a bonus but not necessary. Experience and/or familiarity with Maryland state political arena desired but not required. 				
This position requires specific	Not Applicable				
clearances, background checks, or specific documentation upon hiring.					
The following information is required from the intern:	⊠Resume ⊠Cover Letter				
	⊠Writing Sample □Other:				
Interviews will be conducted via the following methods:	⊠Zoom ⊠Google Hangouts □WebEx ⊠Other:(we can be flexible)				
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