

ABOUT CJCJ

The Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice (CJCJ) is a nonprofit nonpartisan organization that promotes a balanced and humane criminal justice system through the provision of direct services, technical assistance, and policy analysis. The agency's mission is to reduce society's use of incarceration as a solution to social problems. Visit www.cjcj.org to learn more.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Become part of CJCJ's CWR team and supervise children in activities that strengthen skills, both physically and academically. The CWRs provide youth with a safe and nurturing environment, so they are not exposed to the often-adult happenings in a courtroom. While their parents attend the civil courts located at 400 McAllister, often related to family law, or the criminal courts at the Hall of Justice, 850 Bryant Street, the youth are supervised and encouraged to engage in healthy learning and positive play activities.

VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTION

An internship or volunteer position (used synonymously) with CJCJ's Children's Waiting Rooms (CWR) grants individuals a unique opportunity to work with youth in one of CJCJ's direct service programs. The CWR provides a safe and positive environment for children whose parents have business before the courts, at either the Hall of Justice or the Civil Courthouse. Additionally, the CWR staff facilitate family visits between youth and their incarcerated fathers in County Jail #4. Dependent on the available time commitment and one's interest, interns/volunteers can choose to support our staff with the youth and his/her families through one or both of these direct service opportunities. See below for additional information about the two direct service options offered through the CWR.

QUALIFICATIONS

Ideal volunteers will have the following qualifications:

- Enthusiasm for working with children and families
- Exhibit and practice cultural competency, sensitivity, and maturity when working with children and families
- Interest and ability to provide a variety of educational and recreational activities to children of different ages and diverse backgrounds
- Professional work ethics while maintaining a good sense of humor
- Dependable, reliable, and punctual, while working with other professional colleagues
- Excited to offer a commitment lasting nine months or more
- Willing to undertake a background check, so as to work with youth in San Francisco

HOW TO APPLY:

Individuals can apply by completing our Intern Application Form and submitting it via email to CJCJ Deputy Director Dinky Manek Enty at dinky@cjcj.org.

Thank you for your interest in CJCJ's Children's Waiting Room Internship/Volunteer Program!