



Impact Attorney

The Alliance seeks an attorney to support the organization in the areas of impact litigation, legislative advocacy, strategic planning, and public education. The Impact Attorney will focus on issues in need of systemic change for children living in foster care and in poverty in Los Angeles County. The attorney will also support and supervise staff and volunteers to effect change. This position is located in our Los Angeles office.

OUR MISSION AND SERVICES

The Alliance protects the rights of impoverished, abused and neglected children and youth in Los Angeles County. By providing free legal services and advocacy, the Alliance ensures children have safe, stable homes, healthcare and the education they need to thrive. Since 1992, we have helped more than 125,000 children and their caregivers. While our primary focus is direct services, we also have a Policy Unit in Sacramento. Our Policy Unit works with staff in our Los Angeles office to improve child welfare practices in LA County and throughout California.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Impact Attorney will report to the Legal Director in coordination with the Policy Director to:

- Identify and track child welfare practices that adversely impact the populations we serve
- Lead, Co-counsel and/or support impact litigation with pro bono attorneys
- Supervise, support and train pro bono attorneys and student volunteers
- Work with executive management to establish agency priorities and develop and implement strategic plans
- Research and analyze issues related to child welfare.
- Develop litigation strategies, position papers, policy briefs and advocacy tools.
- Train legal and social service providers, legislative staff, and community-based organizations
- Participate in steering committees and taskforces in LA County
- Visit and testify before state and local law and policy makers
- Work with the Communications Director to develop media strategy related to emerging trends and systemic change
- Work with the Development Department to develop funding in support of systemic change.

QUALIFICATIONS

- California Bar Admission, with 5 plus years of litigation experience in state and federal court
- Experience with advocacy work, campaigns, outreach, public education and media preferred
- Excellent writing, research and analytical skills
- Ability to facilitate and build working relationships with pro bono attorneys, elected officials, community groups and policy makers
- Willingness to travel as needed

COMPETITIVE SALARY AND BENEFITS

We offer a competitive salary and benefits. Please submit your cover letter and resume to j.parrilla@kids-alliance.org. For more information about the Alliance visit kids-alliance.org.

The Alliance for Children's Rights believes that all persons are entitled to equal employment opportunities and does not discriminate against its employees or applicants because of race, color, religion, sex, pregnancy, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, sexual orientation, disability or medical condition.