

Winter 2021 - Spring 2022 Internship

COSCDA seeks a highly-motivated candidate to assist the association with research and communications during late 2021 and early 2022. Specifically, COSCDA leads outreach with Congress and the U.S. Housing and Urban Development ensuring policies and resources align with state actions on community development and housing. The internship involves support to COSCDA's government relations lead and gathering critical information detailing how federal investments impact people and communities.

The intern is expected to engage on the following activities:

- Help prepare communications to COSCDA members newsletters, member alerts, and social media.
- Contribute to research on how states are helping communities to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Assess state actions and how member programs are adapting funds and activities to relief measures.
- Assist in preparing materials for outreach and engagement with congressional offices and HUD staff. Documents may include introductory letters on COSCDA, project examples, and impact of HUD funding in state/congressional districts.
- Support development of member profiles showing how COSCDA members (state agencies on community development and housing) deliver federal dollars to community needs and other activities of the agency sponsored by both federal and non-federal funds.

The paid position will be telework-only with flexible hours. Hours and length of internship will be responsive to the academic calendar and individual's related obligations.

Individuals pursuing a graduate degree in public policy, economics, public administration, urban planning, or related field are encouraged to apply.

Interested candidates should send their resume and a brief writing sample to Josh Shumaker, Director of Advocacy and Federal Programs (jshumaker@coscda.org). Please send qualifications for consideration by November 30.

ABOUT:

The <u>Council of State Community Development Agencies</u> (COSCDA) is a national association dedicated to advancing state actions on community development, homelessness, affordable housing, disaster recovery, and economic development. COSCDA members administer programs funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development – Office of Community Planning and Development (HUD-CPD).