

Project LEAD 9- Legal Aid for District 9

CLASSIFICATION: Union- Attorney I	SALARY: \$60K + DOQ
DEPARTMENT: Legal	FLSA STATUS: Exempt
REPORTS TO: Directing Attorney	APPLICATION DEADLINE: Until filled

Following the deaths of George Floyd and Breonna Taylor that spurred nationwide civil rights demonstrations and demands for community reinvestment, Bet Tzedek has undertaken an effort to increase services to communities of color—particularly Black and Brown Communities. In line with that effort, Bet Tzedek is seeking a junior attorney to help staff a partnership with the City of Los Angeles to provide comprehensive, trauma informed, wrap-around legal services to community members of Council District 9. The LEAD 9 staff attorney will work on a wide range of legal issues aiming to achieve economic justice and housing stability for district residents. Council District 9, or the “New Ninth,” is a collection of neighborhoods and communities that are rich in history and cultural diversity located in South and Central Los Angeles.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES

- Provide intake and assessment for potential clients referred through partnership.
- Advocate on behalf of clients on a wide variety of legal issues that may include eviction defense, housing, employment, public benefits, consumer, immigration law, and other issues impacting obtaining and maintaining housing, income, and employment.
- Represent clients in various forums, including administrative law and superior court proceedings.
- Co-counsel with pro bono volunteers to represent clients.
- Collaborate with Development Staff to meet all relevant grant reporting requirements, including helping compile and interpret data and draft narratives.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Active member of California State Bar in good standing (required).
- Willingness to train and work with volunteer attorneys and students (required).
- Spanish-language proficiency (required).
- Minimum one-to-two years non-profit legal services experience (preferred).
- Experience in landlord-tenant law, employment law, public benefits law, administrative law (preferred).
- Demonstrated commitment to applying principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion in performance of job duties.
- Demonstrate an understanding and commitment to Bet Tzedek’s mission of equal justice for all and Bet Tzedek’s core values of leadership, community-based advocacy, and innovation.

HOW TO APPLY

- Email letter of interest, resume, and minimum salary requirement to bettzedek.26.628@applynow.io (Subject: “Reinvest LA”)

Note: All positions are subject to funding; ongoing funding or employment cannot be assured.

To best serve our communities Bet Tzedek seeks a diverse staff with cultural competency reflecting our client populations. We strongly encourage candidates from traditionally underrepresented communities and historically oppressed groups to apply.