Economic Empowerment Intern

BACKGROUND: The International Rescue Committee (IRC) responds to the world’s worst humanitarian crises and helps people to survive and rebuild their lives. At work in over 40 countries and 29 U.S. cities to restore safety, dignity and hope, the IRC leads the way from harm to home. The IRC in Atlanta office was established in 1979 and has resettled over 21,000 refugees from nearly 50 countries into the Greater Atlanta area. As the largest refugee resettlement agency in Georgia, the IRC in Atlanta resettles an average of 1,000 refugees into Georgia annually and provides additional services and assistance to another 2,500 refugees and asylees.

SCOPE OF ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT INTERN WORK: The Economic Empowerment intern works with the IRC in Atlanta’s Employment Specialists to find employment for every eligible adult client. Stable employment is a vital step in the resettlement process.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Provide job coaching and counseling to clients
- Research potential employers and job possibilities for clients
- Prepare clients for job interviews
- Create resumes by working one-on-one with clients
- Assist clients in filling out online and paper applications
- Accompany refugee clients to job interviews and orientations
- Provide general administrative support for Economic Empowerment team

REQUIREMENTS:
- Strong interest in working with international clients
- Proficiency with resume writing and employment related activities
- Proven ability to work with consideration and respect for cross-cultural differences
- Excellent communication and organization skills
- Ability to work independently
- Computer skills, including Microsoft Office programs and internet research
- Enthusiasm for helping people to learn and demonstrated professionalism
- Interns must be able to work at least 15 hours a week for at least three months
- Must have a valid driver’s license and access to an insured vehicle

For more information or to apply, please contact Duncan de la Feld, Volunteer Coordinator, at VolunteerATL@Rescue.org or 678-636-8928. To learn more about us, please visit the IRC website at www.Rescue.org/Atlanta