



**Position Title:** Defensible Space Program Intern

**Duration:** June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - 15 weeks or 600 hours

**Pay:** \$20.00

**Objective:** The intern will partner with County and community partners to create a replicable defensible space program. The program will need to have one pilot area completed using the program and have a tool for replication in future areas throughout the county.

## Deliverables

- Schedule meetings as needed to ensure communication flow
- Create metrics to show time and money needed for implementation in other areas of the county
- Help change Community Fencing and Landscape Regulations using agency relationships already in place
- Help community move towards becoming a Firewise Community
- Have program piloted on one area and have created a replication tool
- Presentation of pilot program and replication tool to local groups such as Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC)

## Timeline

The internship is expected to last 15 weeks (just under 4 months), with the following milestones:

1. Weeks 1-3: Begin discussion with partners and consideration of geographic area.
2. Weeks 4-6: Select area and dates and begin communications with all partners.
3. Weeks 7-8: Continue communications, set up ongoing maintenance inspection schedule.
4. Week 9-11: Complete property assessments, fuels removal, Home Fire Campaign, and revegetation while tracking details of the process.
5. Week 12-13: Compile documentation and tracked information, create metrics submit summary report to WCEM. Also submit a program replication tool.



6. Weeks 14-15: Final review and evaluation of pilot area and the program replication tool. Presentation to LEPC, or other local groups.

## **Qualifications:**

- Current enrollment in a relevant undergraduate or graduate program (e.g., Emergency Management, Public Administration, Social Sciences).
- Strong project management skills which include planning, organizing and management resources to accomplish the goal within the timeframe agreed upon
- Persistence and creativity – obstacles will arise and must be overcome with creative solutions
- Attention to detail – many components that will need to be planned, executed and tracked
- Interest in mitigation with general understanding of the concept, intention, and application of mitigation actions

## **Benefits:**

- Hands-on experience in developing and implementing a replicable mitigation action program.
- Opportunity to network with professionals in emergency management and community resilience.
- Exposure to real-world challenges and the chance to make a meaningful impact on community safety and preparedness.

**Supervision:** The intern will report to Sabrina Brasuell, who will provide guidance and support throughout the internship period.

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**Adjustments can be made based on specific organizational needs and the intern's background. This scope of work provides a structured framework for the intern to contribute effectively to the development of a successful mass care program.**