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## Fall 2019 Urbanist Journalism Fellowship

Do you want to hone your journalism skills and help make the greater Washington region even greater? Do you want to take a deeper dive into how the region is growing and changing, especially through the lens of equity and environmental sustainability? Do you think you have a unique perspective that is currently missing from regional conversations about transportation, housing, and urban planning?

If so, you may be the perfect fit for Greater Greater Washington's 2019 urbanist journalism fellowship, made possible with the support of the Island Press Urban Resilience Project and the Meyer Foundation!

### **About Greater Greater Washington**

Greater Greater Washington plays an important role in the Washington region's media landscape as a community-driven blog that stimulates dialogue and influences policy and decision-making across the region. To help build a pipeline of journalists who are savvy on urbanist issues, we're continuing our part-time, paid fellowship for writing professionals!

### **About the fellowship**

The fellowship term will last three months, starting the week of September 16 and going through the week of December 16. During their time with GGWash, fellows will:

- Produce a portfolio of local and regional urbanism clips that will be seen by more than 150,000 readers each month including decision-makers, elected officials, reporters, and thought leaders
- Learn to compellingly and approachably tell wonky policy stories that impact the lives of residents across the region
- Participate in professional development opportunities focused on urban planning issues and journalism topics that are relevant to GGWash's work and of interest to fellows
- Meet with regional leaders and officials, key GGWash contributors, and others to discuss fellows' urban planning interests and career goals
- Plug into GGWash's robust network of journalism and urbanism professionals to help find future paid job opportunities

### **Fellows will be expected to:**

- Produce regular posts that reflect a mix of in-depth investigative articles and shorter news stories
- Find and pitch stories that fit GGWash's priorities and brand

- Participate in blogging and urbanism workshops and other professional development opportunities
- Collaborate closely with GGWash's Managing Editor both in person and remotely
- Dedicate an average of 8-10 hours per week to reporting and fellowship activities

Fellows will receive a \$2,500 stipend for their part-time participation in the three-month program, and will also be reimbursed for reporting expenses.

### **About you**

- You are interested and committed to principles of urbanism and excited to report on stories that align with GGWash's vision of a future Washington that is a thriving, accessible, diverse, and sustainable place, where everyone can live in walkable urban communities
- You are able to find, pitch, and execute reported stories
- You thrive in a mission-based, entrepreneurial start-up environment with a small and dedicated core team
- You are self-directed and driven, capable of maximizing performance and operating with significant autonomy
- You are a resident in DC, Maryland, and/or Virginia and can come to our office in downtown DC
- You have a bachelors or masters degree in journalism, media, communications or a related field, or are currently enrolled in such a program, or have relevant experience
- People who reflect underrepresented voices within the Greater Greater Washington community are encouraged to apply, including people of color, women, and/or gender non-conforming individuals, and people from or who currently live in areas of the region that are under-resourced or have been negatively impacted by historic urban planning policies.

### **How to apply**

Please send the following to [jobs@ggwash.org](mailto:jobs@ggwash.org):

- Resume
- Two clips
- Cover letter explaining your interest in and your qualifications for the fellowship, two relevant story ideas, and why you want to be a part of our team
- Two references

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis but no later than Sunday, August 11, 2019.