



County of Santa Barbara Department of Planning and Development

Internship Opportunities Available

The County of Santa Barbara Planning and Development Department is seeking interns in the Long Range Planning Division, and potentially in the Development Review and the Energy, Minerals, and Compliance Divisions. This is an exciting opportunity to gain professional experience working for a leader in California public sector land use planning and environmental regulation. Specific assignments will depend on the current work program and the applicant's area of study and interests. Potential projects are listed below.

Starting Date: Mid-June 2019

Qualifications & Compensation: Participants must be a college senior, graduate student, or have recently graduated with a major in urban and regional planning, environmental studies, geography, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), or related field. Preference is given to students who can commit 10-15 hours a week to the position. No compensation or benefits can be offered. However, the internship provides valuable experience in public sector community planning.

General Responsibilities:

- Research and analyze land use, zoning, and policy issues;
- Prepare maps, graphics, and documents for publishing in hard copy and on the County website;
- Provide support for public meetings and workshops; and
- Other assignments as needed.

Desired Skills:

- Superior written and oral communication skills;
- Knowledge of the principles of land use planning, public policy, economics, environmental law, earth sciences, biological sciences, and/or related fields;
- Basic knowledge of computers and software, including MS Office, Adobe graphics, and web design software suite. GIS mapping skills desirable but not necessary.

Potential Internship Projects & Tasks:

- Transportation:
 - Prepare a transportation network background report for the Circulation Element update
 - Research estimated housing buildout under current zoning for Transportation Improvement Plan update
- Housing:
 - Assist with Senate Bill 2 grant applications for housing development projects
 - Research County records and current/potential buildout under the Mitigation Fee Act (AB 1600)
- Climate Change and Energy:
 - Focused research for ongoing projects (e.g., Energy and Climate Action Plan update, Utility-Grade Solar Ordinance Amendments, Safety Element update)
- Other
 - Research landowner participation in the Hollister Ranch Public Access Program (payment of in-lieu fees)
 - Assist in updating divisional webpage content
 - Assist with online permit application submittal process
 - Marketing or assisting with developing or maintaining GIS efforts
- Public Meetings and Outreach
- Environmental Review/California Environmental Quality Act Research

Application Process: Please submit the following in one email: (1) a cover letter stating your particular planning interests; (2) a resume including a list of relevant coursework and experience; (3) one example work product; and (4) three references to Selena Evilsizor at sevilsizor@countyofsb.org by **May 28, 2019**.