



Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness

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MCAH Introduction

The Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness (MCAH) is a nonprofit membership organization formed in 1991 as an association of emergency shelters, transitional housing programs, nonprofit housing and service programs, government programs, and concerned citizens from across the state.

MCAH empowers over 650 Michigan homeless service agencies through public awareness activities, advocacy at the state and federal level, and support services that bring in national expertise and best practices. Our understanding of homelessness is driven by extensive and varied experience in the field and on-going primary and secondary research and analysis.

Our mission is to serve as an inclusive statewide voice to improve systems and support communities to prevent and end homelessness in a way that leaves no one behind.

Position Description

The Public Policy intern will work closely with MCAH's Chief Executive Officer, Director of Public Policy, and other team members to support policy initiatives, coordinate advocacy efforts, assist with legislative research, and engage with statewide partners. Interns will gain experience in nonprofit advocacy work, policymaking processes, and coalition coordination at both the state and federal levels.

This position will contribute to a variety of ongoing projects and responsibilities, including:

- **Support MCAH Policy Priorities**
Help develop and promote annual policy priorities by incorporating input from partners, members, and organizations working across Michigan's housing and homelessness response systems.
- **Legislative Action Committee**
Provide administrative and technical support for MCAH's monthly Legislative Action Committee calls. This includes developing slides, conducting research, and helping implement MCAH's Legislative Liaison program with statewide Continuum of Care (CoC) partners.
- **Legislative Engagement & Tracking**
Participate in advocacy efforts supporting tenant protections such as source-of-income protections. Help track state and federal legislation, including bill status, committee hearings, and votes.

- **Coalition & Voter Engagement**

Support the Coalition to End Homelessness Advocacy (CEHA) group through note-taking, research, and coordination. Contribute to MCAH's participation in *Our Homes*, *Our Votes*, supporting voter registration, education, and candidate engagement with a focus on individuals experiencing homelessness or housing instability.

- **Communications & Research**

Assist with the development of public comments, policy briefs, one-pagers, and other materials related to housing and homelessness issues. Represent MCAH at meetings and events as needed.

Location

Hybrid; Lansing Office