

Internship Opportunities

Note: this list is subject to change based on program needs. Please contact Emily McKee for an up-to-date list.

Counseling and Crisis Services

Counseling Services: F&CS clinical therapists serve hundreds of children and families each year. Counseling services are offered at the Honey Alexander Center and at numerous partner locations throughout the community. Therapists assist clients with a full range of individual and family needs.

We accept counseling interns who are enrolled in master's level programs (social work, psychology, clinical mental health, etc.). Previous experience in a clinical or case management role is preferred.

Crisis Contact Center: The Crisis Contact Center provides free, telephone and text-based crisis intervention to anyone that needs it, 24 hours-a-day, seven day-a-week. Crisis counselors assist callers struggling with thoughts of suicide, grief, depression, anxiety, domestic violence, addiction, or trauma. Language interpretation services are available.

We accept Crisis Center interns who are enrolled in bachelor's or master's programs in social work, psychology, mental health, or related fields. As this program is 24/7, evening and weekend hours are available with this opportunity. Position is semi-remote, as applicant must live within Tennessee and have capacity to travel to our main Nashville office for training.

Family Focused Solutions (FFS): FFS Life Coaches assist families receiving TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) benefits who experience barriers to employment and self-sufficiency. Participants address mental health, domestic violence, alcohol and drug addiction, learning disabilities, parenting needs, and health issues. F&CS operates FFS programs in 26 Middle Tennessee counties.

We accept FFS interns who are enrolled in master's level programs (social work, psychology, clinical mental health, etc.). Previous experience in a clinical or case management role is preferred.

Child Welfare and Community Services

Relative Caregiver Program (RCP): RCP provides emotional and practical supports for children and the non-parental relatives who care for them. These caregivers step in to care for children when their parents cannot due to incarceration, substance abuse, abandonment, abuse, or other issues. The goal of the program is to keep these children with loving family members and out of state custody.

We accept RCP interns who are enrolled in bachelor's or master's programs in social work or related fields (master's level preferred). RCP Programming is centered out of our Nashville office.

Community Schools: Community Schools connect students and families to a broad range of services (such as basic needs assistance, social services, academic enrichment, social-emotional learning, and adult

education) that remove barriers to success in school. An on-site Coordinator brings community partners together to provide support and opportunities for children, youth, families, and communities. F&CS administers the program for 34 Metro Nashville Public Schools.

We accept Community Schools interns in bachelor's or master's level programs in social work or related fields. Some evening hours may be required.

Child and Family Permanency Support: F&CS clinical therapists provide individual and family counseling, case management, and educational activities for families at risk for or currently engaged with the child welfare system in Davidson County. All interventions are designed to help build life skills and coping strategies to ameliorate the adverse effects of trauma and empower children and families to live healthier, more productive lives.

We accept Permanency interns who are enrolled in master's level programs in psychology, social work, or clinical mental health. Previous experience in a clinical or case management role is preferred.

Questions about any of these opportunities? Please contact Emily McKee, Director of Training and Staff Development at emckee@fcsnashville.org or 615-340-9732