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LORENA GONZALEZ FLETCHER

ASSEMBLYWOMAN, EIGHTIETH DISTRICT

Legislative Internship Program

About Assemblywoman Gonzalez Fletcher

Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher was elected in May of 2013, promising to fight for our state's working and middle classes, and she hasn't stopped yet. In her first three months in office, Lorena authored two bills that empowered California's immigrant communities by providing them safeguards against immigration fraud and allowing qualified DREAMers who pass the State Bar exam to practice law, regardless of their immigration status. Then, in 2014, Lorena authored historic legislation to allow 6.5 million Californians the ability to earn paid sick leave. When AB 1522 was signed by Governor Brown, California became the first state in the nation to guarantee earned sick days for every single private sector worker. Assemblywoman Gonzalez Fletcher also passed legislation prohibiting HOAs from fining homeowners for replacing grass lawns with drought resistant landscaping, created the first workplace bullying training requirement in the nation, and paved the way for stronger safety standards for high school student athletes by classifying high school cheerleading as a sport. She also co-authored the nation's toughest rules to close the gender pay gap, and passed California's New Motor Voter Act to streamline the registration for nearly seven million eligible voters.

The daughter of an immigrant farmworker and a nurse, Lorena learned the value of hard work and determination at an early age. After graduating from public school in San Diego County, she earned a Bachelor's Degree from Stanford University, a Master's Degree from Georgetown University and a Law Degree from UCLA. She is a member of the California State Bar.

Prior to being elected to the Assembly, Lorena was the first woman and first person of color to be elected CEO and Secretary-Treasurer for the San Diego and Imperial Counties Labor Council, AFL-CIO since the organization's inception in 1891. Lorena also previously worked as the Senior Advisor to California's Lt. Governor Cruz Bustamante and she served on the California State Lands Commission and the California Coastal Commission.

Assemblywoman Gonzalez Fletcher currently serves as the first Latina in California history to Chair the Assembly Appropriations Committee, and as Chair of the Select Committee on Women in the Workforce.

For her work in the community, Lorena received the California State Bar Association's first Presidential Recognition Award for Public Service, the Cesar Chavez Foundation's Legacy Award for her career supporting immigrants and working families, and was named the Neighborhood Market Association's 2014 Public Official of the Year.

Nonetheless, Lorena's most cherished title is that of mother. Her daughter, Tierra, is studying at New York University and her son, Antonio, is in middle school in San Diego. Lorena lives in the City Heights neighborhood of San Diego.

Where is the 80th Assembly District?

California's 80th Assembly District is comprised of portions of Chula Vista, National City and the City of San Diego. It includes the communities of City Heights, Paradise Hills, Barrio Logan, Golden Hill, Sherman Heights, Logan Heights, Otay Mesa, Nestor and San Ysidro.

What are the requirements to become an intern?

You must be a team player, self-starter, and have an interest in empowering our communities. Interns are expected to assist with various District Office duties and may be asked to represent Assemblywoman Gonzalez Fletcher at community meetings or events, so reliable transportation and willingness to travel within the district are a must. A minimum of 1 quarter/semester (3-4 months) commitment is required. Weekly scheduling is flexible.

Why become an intern for Assemblywoman Gonzalez Fletcher?

Assembly Interns have the opportunity to work on a variety of research and service projects, helping staff plan and execute community events & programs and assisting constituents resolve issues. A legislative internship can help individuals develop a deeper understanding about our government and build a strong track record of civic engagement. A letter of recommendation may be earned upon completion of the program. Though this internship is unpaid, we hope you'll find the experience, skills, and network gained invaluable.

Legislative Internship Program Application

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

High School _____

College (If Applicable) _____

Year in School/Year Graduated _____ Major _____

Availability

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Day <input type="checkbox"/>	All Day <input type="checkbox"/>	All Day <input type="checkbox"/>	All Day <input type="checkbox"/>	All Day <input type="checkbox"/>	All Day <input type="checkbox"/>	All Day <input type="checkbox"/>

Desired hours per week?	
Do you have reliable transportation?	
Are you able/willing to drive to district events?	
How did you learn about this internship program?	
Are you eligible to receive school credit for this internship?	

Reference:

Name _____

Organization _____ (Title/Position) _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Writing Sample:

In about 500 words, please describe your educational or professional goals for the coming five years. Which of your skills do you believe will best position you to attain these goals? Which of your skills would you most like to develop as an intern?

I certify that the information contained in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statement is grounds for dismissal from the legislative internship program.

Signature _____ Date _____

Email your completed application and resume to District Director, Francine Maigue, at Francine.Maigue@asm.ca.gov. After review, an interview may be scheduled.