**Qualitative Research Intern – Youth Arts Initiative Afterschool Project**

**About the Organization**

Research for Action (RFA) seeks to use research as the basis for the improvement of educational opportunities and outcomes for traditionally underserved students. Our work is designed to strengthen public schools and postsecondary institutions; provide research-based recommendations to policymakers, practitioners and the public at the local, state and national levels; and enrich the civic and community dialogue about public education.

**Location of the Internship**

This is an on-site internship position at RFA’s headquarters, at 100 South Broad Street, Suite 700, Philadelphia, PA 19110. In case RFA’s offices remain closed, this internship may be offered remotely. To be considered for remote internship, interns must meet tech requirements described in Other Requirements section below.

**Project Description**

The Wallace Youth Arts Initiative (YAI) brings Professional Practicing Teaching Artists into Boys and Girls Clubs to provide high quality arts instruction to youth in afterschool programs. The initiative is currently in place in eight cities across the country. RFA is the external evaluator, using qualitative and quantitative analysis to understand the impact of the initiative and provide formative feedback.

**Intern Role**

RFA is currently seeking a Qualitative Research Intern to assist with the development of qualitative analytic memos summarizing themes across the five YAI sites, based on interview and focus group data from Spring 2020 observations.

**Intern Tasks**

The main tasks include but are not limited to:

- Coding (estimated 20% of time)
- Drafting analytic memos (estimated 80% of time)
- Other research tasks, as requested

**Skill Sets and Experience**

Prior experience with qualitative data collection and analysis would be helpful; strong writing skills
Other Requirements*

If working remotely, we require that you have access to a personal computer with an up-to-date Mac or Windows operating system, up-to-date antivirus software, a functional webcam and microphone, and a stable internet connection at your residence.

Hours Per Week: 10 to 20 hours per week. Not to exceed 20 hours.

Other Information

- For this position, interns not receiving work-study will be paid $8.00/hr.
- Only complete applications including Resume & Cover letter will be taken into consideration for the internship hiring.
- At the time of application, must be actively enrolled in an accredited college or university, as a sophomore, junior, senior or graduate student in good standing. Students might be eligible for continuation of their internship after graduation.
- Summer internships run from May-September.
- Exact start and end dates are based on the needs of the project and the availability of the intern.
- Applications will be considered on a rolling basis until all positions have been filled.
- Research for Action qualifies for work-study and PHEAA. Interns may also be eligible for course credit.
- If hired, please note that RFA will require a technology check of your remote system to ensure your working environment is compatible with ours.

Research for Action is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer that is committed to building a culturally diverse staff. We strongly encourage applications from candidates of all backgrounds.