The Reinvestment Fund

Fellowship Position

ABOUT TRF

The Reinvestment Fund (TRF) is a national innovator in capitalizing distressed communities and stimulating economic growth for low- and moderate-income families. TRF identifies the point of impact where capital can deliver its greatest financial and social influence. TRF’s investments in homes, schools and businesses reclaim and transform neighborhoods, driving economic growth and improving lives throughout the Mid-Atlantic region. Since its inception in 1985, TRF has made almost $940 million in community investments.

TRF is nationally recognized for its research and housing-related policy analysis. TRF’s data analysis focuses both on helping TRF identify opportunities to invest its own resources as well as providing services to public sector and private clients seeking assistance with their own strategies to preserve and rebuild vulnerable communities.

ABOUT TRF’S POLICY SOLUTIONS GROUP (“POLICY”)

TRF conducts research and analysis on policy issues that influence neighborhood revitalization and economic growth. Policy Solutions has built a solid track record of analyzing issues critical to our mission and our financing portfolio. Our reputation for finding evidence-based solutions to public policy problems has made us a leading provider of such services in the Mid-Atlantic region and beyond. Governments at all levels and private investors often turn to TRF for practical and actionable frameworks to guide their investment strategies.

Our analytic rigor and commitment to finding measurable, lasting solutions is evident in our work -- from our real estate market analyses to customized program assessments. Recent projects have addressed such topics as the consequences of mortgage foreclosures on local and national markets; quantifying the disparity of access to fresh, healthy foods to low- and moderate-income communities; evaluating the impact and effectiveness of foreclosure mitigation and other subsidized housing programs; and quantifying the positive impact that school quality has on residential sales prices. More information and recent publications can be found at http://www.trfund.com/policysolutions/index.html

ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP

Policy Solutions, the research and advisory group of The Reinvestment Fund (TRF), invites applications for a post-doctoral research position. Qualifications include a Ph.D. in Economics, Statistics, or other quantitative social science discipline; experience working with large data sets; strong econometrics skills; strong oral and written communications skills; the ability to work as part
of a team and to meet deadlines. Interest in housing; residential and commercial real estate; development of program evaluation; and knowledge of GIS are pluses, but not absolutely necessary.

Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume or curriculum vitae, transcript and 3 letters of references. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Fellowships generally last one or two years and may begin as early as Summer of 2010. Salary is $50K the first year; $55K the second, plus generous benefits and the possibility to be published.

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