

# PRRAC

## *Poverty & Race Research Action Council*

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### **Affirmative Fair Housing Goes Live: A Fellowship in Civil Rights Policy sponsored by the Poverty & Race Research Action Council, Washington, DC**

The Poverty & Race Research Action Council (PRRAC) is a civil rights policy organization based in Washington, DC, utilizing legal and social science research to inform our analysis of how federal programs impact low income families of color. Founded in 1989 by major national civil rights and poverty law organizations, PRRAC's primary mission is to help connect advocates with social scientists working on race and poverty issues, and to develop innovative approaches to structural inequality issues. Our current work is focused in the areas of housing, education, and environmental health, with a particular emphasis on the causes and consequences of housing and school segregation, and appropriate remedial strategies. PRRAC works closely with other national civil rights groups including the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, the ACLU, the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights, the National Fair Housing Alliance, and others. We are also actively involved in the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights and the National Coalition on School Diversity.

PRRAC is currently seeking applicants to host for Equal Justice Works and Skadden Fellowships beginning in Fall 2017. The incoming Fellow's project will involve advocacy and implementation work relating to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's new "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing" (AFFH) rule, which requires that jurisdictions assess their fair housing challenges, develop related goals, and deploy the results of the AFFH planning process in local and regional plans in order to address segregation and related harms. The AFFH process is highly intersectional, examining access to environmental health, education, transit, and jobs, and contains a robust public participation component. The Fellow's work in this area will involve development of resources and advocacy documents aimed at federal agencies involved in AFFH implementation, as well as on-the-ground advocacy and public education in jurisdictions undergoing the AFFH process.

Applicants should have strong writing skills, intellectual curiosity, and motivation to work for civil rights. A demonstrated interest in housing, education, regulatory advocacy, and the intersection of law and social science is strongly preferred, as is experience working with diverse communities.

To apply, please send a resume and writing sample to Megan Haberle, Policy Counsel, at [mhaberle@prrac.org](mailto:mhaberle@prrac.org). No phone calls, please.

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