DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

MnDOT Planning Internship Program

District 8 Planning Position Details

Work Description

This internship is with the Planning Unit at MnDOT District 8, in Willmar, MN. Willmar is approximately 100 miles west of the Twin Cities. Working within a District will provide a broad range of experiences, including public engagement, project selection and programming, local planning studies and project development. Specifically, this internship will be focused around the following activities:

- Local and Districtwide Plans and Assessments:
 - Glencoe Comprehensive Transportation Plan
 - District 8 Bicycle Plan
- Public and Stakeholder Engagement:
 - o Participation in the Area Transportation Partnership (ATP)
 - Project Specific Engagement
 - Engagement for the District Program and project scoping
- Working with District Saff and Stakeholders on Bicycle and Pedestrian Counting
- Data Analysis for Project Prioritization

This internship will also allow for time to learn about transportation funding, project selection and programming. The intern will gain valuable exposure to all functional areas with a district - Planning, Materials, Land Management, Hydraulics, Design, Traffic, Construction and Maintenance.

Desired Qualifications

- Enrolled in a graduate degree program within the last 12 months in Transportation, Urban Planning, Public Policy, Public Administration, or other similar field
- Strong written and verbal communication skills
- Experience with Microsoft Excel, ArcGIS, and Adobe Creative Suite
- Ability to work independently and seek guidance when needed