If conditions allow, PPSF will offer in-person fellowships in the summer of 2022. In the event that in-person summer placements are not approved by Yale University, prospective sites will be notified and asked to modify proposals to reflect remote work.

- Organization: Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce
- Organization’s street address: 900 Chapel Street, 10th Floor
- Website: www.gnhcc.com
- Name and title of person who will be the Fellow’s direct supervisor (the supervisor must be available to supervise Fellow on a daily basis): Anne Benowitz, Director of Economic Development
- Phone number and e-mail address of proposed direct supervisor (please note: during the application process, we encourage prospective Fellows to contact organizations directly with any questions about organization placements or projects): abenowitz@gnhcc.com/203-913-2369
- Placement dates (8-11 weeks between Tuesday, May 31 and Friday, August 12, 2022): June 1st-August 12th, 2022
- Are placement dates flexible? If so, please describe: Yes, if need be, we can accommodate a truncated schedule.

Proposed work schedule (placements should be equivalent to full-time and not more than 37.5 hours/week): 9am-4:30pm (M-Thurs) and 9am – Noon (Fridays)

Placement Description

- Organization description (mission statement, population served. 150 words or less.):

The mission of the Greater New Haven Chamber is to provide value through business resources and services to its partner companies and to lead regional economic growth through bold and effective advocacy. GNHCC is comprised of the 15 municipalities of Bethany, Branford, Cheshire, East Haven, Guilford, Hamden, Madison, Milford, New Haven, North Branford, North Haven, Orange, Wallingford, West Haven & Woodbridge and marshals the physical economic and human resources of the South-Central Connecticut Region for the sole purpose of making Greater New Haven a favorable place to operate a business and a desirable place to work and an attractive place to live. We serve over 1,000 businesses in the Greater New Haven Region.
• Write a 1-2 sentence summary of the proposed work for a summer 2022 Fellow:

GNHCC is engaged in the growth & retention of businesses and the advocacy that supports businesses in the Region. The work would fall into two categories: Economic Development and Public Policy.

• Write a more complete description of the specific project you propose and list the duties/outcomes expected of the Fellow. (Suggested length: one to two pages.)

The Fellow will be asked to research and identify potential organizations for our Economic Development visits. The Fellow would be making telephone calls/interviews with a variety of organizations, in all verticals, to set appointments with the Director of Economic Development.

The Fellows will be assisting the Director of Economic Development on company visits to interview and for data collection and analysis for companies w/in the City of New Haven. These visits are a conversational collection of information to better understand the resources to be provide to companies, to assist in their growth and retention.

Public Policy is informed through the visits to each company. As issues are identified, these advocacy issues are compiled, communicated to the Governmental Affairs Committee and then an agenda is prepared for the next legislative session.

List specific skills/experience required for the project:

Confidence, overall understanding of business, research, public policy experience is a plus.

Additional requirements (e.g., a car or weekend working hours). If a car is required, include information regarding parking arrangements and mileage reimbursement):

No car required, but parking is provided in the event the Fellow needs parking, at no cost to the Fellow. Fellow can work remotely; that is an option.

• Briefly describe the work that Yale PPSF Fellows have done with your organization in the past and present. If you have not worked with Yale Fellows, describe any work that Yale students have done with your organization.

We have had one fellow from the program; last year, and he worked remotely. He was fantastic! Really understood business, what was needed in the discussions we were asking of him during his work; was extremely professional and smart. The work was researching businesses to call and providing resources to them, as we were in the middle of the most intense time of the pandemic. He and his four other teammates (from other colleges) ran a small business retention program, and we won the Gold Level Award for our size city, with the International Economic Development Association. It was a lengthy application process and quite competitive. In addition, we were developing the data for our “Source Directory” with the Chamber. This book is provided free of charge to every member and encapsulates our work over the last year (in Economic Development), as well as statistics from around the Region. The research for this project was completed by our Fellow.