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## Meet our Summer Interns

We are thrilled to welcome four interns to The Shared Humanity Project this summer. They are helping us with every aspect of growing our organization and [The National Plan to End Poverty](#). You will see their impact immediately on our social media accounts and in our outreach. Behind the scenes, they are working on everything from management to grant writing and from best practice research to updating our websites. Take a moment to get to know these remarkable, dedicated, and talented individuals by reading their entries below.

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### I am sure that there is a clear path forward



My name is **Jamie Chornoby**, and I am an intern with The Shared Humanity Project. In August, I will begin my Master of Public Policy at Duke University. Prior, I earned my Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Anthropology.

What brings me to The Shared Humanity Project is the belief that together we can overcome the biggest problems in our society. When I led campaigns, I fostered this power of connection to improve healthcare accessibility, get out the vote, and champion reproductive rights. Despite positive results, I saw people neglected by outreach efforts. To have greater impact, we need an innovative approach – that is what I see in the National Plan to End Poverty.

This summer, I am supporting expansion efforts at the organization. I focus on development and also contribute to management, outreach, education, and plan refinement. When I entered this role, I knew poverty harms our communities, neighborhoods, and families. I knew that to fix this, we must dissolve cycles of hardship. Now, I am sure that there is a clear path forward for all. No matter who

you are or where you are, there is something you can do to counter poverty.

A fun fact about me is that I have a knack for baking. Some may say it is controversial, but I elevated my grandmother's coffee cake recipe. (Double the crumble and fold in walnuts!).

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## My understanding of poverty has changed

Hi! My name is **Catie Jacobs**. I am a senior, public relations major at the University of Florida. Go Gators! I love to see what the world has to offer by traveling and experiencing different cultures.

I was drawn to The Shared Humanity Project, first, because of its mission, and, second, because of its approach. The National Plan to End Poverty is a great tool with so many ideas and courses of action. I like the approach that The Shared Humanity Project takes; it emphasizes community involvement in the battle for economic security. It's going to take all of us, one step at a time, to make a change



My goal for this internship is to learn. This internship has already given me many opportunities to try new things and work on different projects.

Even just three weeks in, I have learned a lot. My understanding of poverty has changed, and it evolves daily. I've realized that poverty is much more than a monetary issue; poverty consists of lacking all of one's basic needs. It limits individual freedom, which is paradoxical for a country built upon that right.

I am looking forward to the experiences to come and knowledge to gain during the rest of my summer with The Shared Humanity Project!

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## I instantly connected with its mission

Hi! My name is **Calvin Melloh**, and I am from Minneapolis, MN. I have always been passionate about helping to make a difference, and I've learned throughout my work experience that I can do so by collaborating with effective organizations advancing



human well-being.

When I discovered The Shared Humanity Project, I instantly connected with its mission and methods of fighting poverty. I am privileged to be a part of such an amazing team, and I hope to continue analyzing best practices, building partnerships, and expanding the reach of this wonderful nonprofit.

One of the most important lessons I have taken from this internship is that economic need is relative and varies greatly by geographic location, household makeup, and other factors.

I want to make the most of my time here by empowering everyone to fight poverty through our human connections. When I am not working, I love reading, writing, and playing guitar.

### I wanted to put my passion into action

Hi! I am **Abby Newland**. I will graduate from Wayne State University in December of 2022 with a bachelor's degree in Political Science with minors in English and Urban Studies. In my free time, I can be found watching movies and tv shows, at a concert, or at the softball field.

With interning at The Shared Humanity Project, I wanted to put my passion into action and work to alleviate the stress and insecurity that poverty can cause, as well as it being a symptom of other struggles. I want to continue to grow my knowledge of how nonprofit organizations work and how to broaden my perspective when it comes to complex issues like poverty during my time in this internship.



Since beginning my journey at The Shared Humanity Project, I have already learned so much. I have started to look at poverty in a different light. While I had always recognized the effect that poverty can cause, the National Plan to End Poverty showed me how broad the scope of poverty really is. It helped me realize that everyone can be doing something to end poverty.

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