

Our Revolution Trenton Mercer Internship Program



Get Involved to Save Our Democracy, and Win Progressive, People-First Policy!

The Our Revolution Trenton Mercer (ORTM) Internship Program is meant to allow individuals who have progressive values and an interest in politics to get involved with ORTM by assisting our executive and standing committees, and their Chairs, with various projects and campaigns. Through your project work, you will learn how to be an effective political communicator and change-maker. You will then have the chance to use your newly gained knowledge to take action and impact our current political landscape in a meaningful way.

Interns will be expected to assist ORTM's committee projects relating to progressive values, with the support of their committee and its chair. These projects can include anything from helping run our social media accounts, lobbying elected officials, canvassing voters to assist our endorsed candidates, creating video essays on progressive topics you're interested in, or even hosting events for your communities. We will provide training and guidance to help you learn new skills and feel comfortable working on these projects. Taking the initiative will be encouraged, but support will be available for you as-needed, to help you grow into this role. In doing so, you will become an effective political activist, advocating for a just and equitable future!

Who can be an ORTM Intern?

Anyone with the following skills are encouraged to apply:

- Strong communication skills
- Access to a laptop and good computer skills (Excel, Word) are required
- Interest in politics, campaigns, and willingness to learn
- Ideal candidates are organized, reliable, prompt, detail-oriented and self-motivated
- Able to work independently and as part of a committee/team
- **Able to commit to a minimum of three hours per week**

What are the benefits to being an ORTM Intern?

As part of the ORTM community, you will have the following benefits and opportunities:

1. Practical political experience working directly with your community
2. Shadowing, mentoring, and training opportunities with skilled individuals
3. Opportunity to participate in networking events and democratic meetings
4. Flexible scheduling
5. Work on challenging, impactful, and engaging real-world projects
6. Gain hands-on experience in many different facets of the political process: anything from meeting with and lobbying elected officials, to whipping votes at a Democratic endorsement convention, to canvassing/calling voters, to campaign management, to interviewing candidates for endorsement, and more!

Topics and Responsibilities: How will ORTM Interns be Helpful?

Your role will be primarily to assist an ORTM committee, so it is important that you be self-driven and motivated to pick up and help in areas that do not have member assistance. **Each Intern is expected to complete at least three (3) hours of committee work per week, and no more than 10 hours.**

ORTM Committees Include:

- Executive Committee: Chapter strategy and direction. Meeting planning.
- Communications Committee: Social media, emails, literature, earned media
- Membership Committee: Host social events, attend/table at community events, increase/sustain recruitment, partner with local orgs and leaders
- Elections Committee: Endorsement process, Support candidates, voting rights issues (i.e. the Better Ballots NJ Campaign)

Contact:

Any interested candidate should send a resume and/or a letter of interest to ORTM Chapter Founder and Chair, Joe Marchica at ORTrentonMercer@gmail.com. Email subject should include "ORTM Internship".

About Our Revolution Trenton Mercer

ORTM is a member-driven organization seeking to empower a broad coalition of grassroots activists to bring about needed progressive change. We are grounded in progressive values, and are committed to reflecting the diversity of all members of our community. We work to promote change by listening and responding to the needs of everyday people and working families, not just the wealthy and powerful.

Central to our mission is identifying and supporting candidates, so we can build both a down-ballot bench of progressive champions and support for a slate of progressive policies. We work to hold elected officials accountable at all levels of government, from county committee and town council, all the way up to Trenton and Washington DC.

We are focused on educating and improving the public's understanding of major policy issues, prioritizing the implementation of Medicare for All and the Green New Deal, getting money out of politics, overturning structural racism, and fundamentally transforming both public safety and the criminal justice system.

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