

Needed: More Attorneys In Public Interest Law

(NAPSA)—Here's good news for young lawyers who are interested in public interest law.

New programs are being created that may encourage the best and brightest legal minds to enter public service. That's significant because important public sector jobs protect the most basic human rights.



Loan repayment assistance programs make it easier to repay student loans.

The new initiatives are loan repayment assistance programs or LRAPs—that help pay lawschool debts if attorneys pursue careers in social justice. A law degree can cost over \$100,000. Many public sector attorneys have the same school loans as private sector lawyers, but receive much smaller paychecks. Heavy debt and low salaries have resulted in what's been called an epidemic problem of recruitment and retention in public law. LRAPs are not vet offered nationwide or by every law school but the number of programs is growing each year.

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