

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

DataHaven
New Haven, Connecticut

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DESCRIPTION

[DataHaven](#) is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization that directly supports hundreds of community, academic, government, health care, and institutional organizations throughout Connecticut by collecting, interpreting, and sharing high-quality public information. As an organization with a 25-year-history of public service, DataHaven is also a formal affiliate of the [National Neighborhood Indicators Partnership](#) (NNIP), a collaborative national effort by the Urban Institute and local partners to further the development and use of neighborhood information systems in local policymaking and community building.

The Research Associate is a full-time or part-time position based in downtown New Haven, Connecticut. The Research Associate will help collect and analyze [Connecticut town data](#) pertaining to demographics, health, economics, and quality of life. The ideal candidate will enjoy working with different research techniques to document and answer questions about social and economic well-being in our communities, and will use their strong written and oral communications skills to communicate these issues to a broad audience.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Educational background in statistics, social science, city planning, public health, or related fields.
- At least 1 year of work experience processing and analyzing data through the use of Microsoft Excel, Access, R, SPSS, and/or similar software programs, and a rigorous attention to detail;
- Expertise in at least one of the following: Web application development, Python, database development (SQL), GIS, and statistical analysis software (R, SPSS);
- Ability to work both independently and collaboratively with staff on multiple projects in a fast-paced, dynamic environment and within tight timeframes;
- Curiosity and love of data.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Demonstrated interest and knowledge of methods used to analyze, visualize, or describe existing raw data sets in ways that make them more useful to the general public;
- Knowledge of principles and applications of social science and public policy, including but not limited to statistics, survey methods, geography, urban planning, economics, environmental issues, education, and public health; and/or experience working with raw data from large-scale, high-quality national or statewide surveys;
- Experience working within Connecticut, Greater New Haven, or Fairfield County and/or an understanding of the diverse communities that live in these areas;
- A bachelor's degree or advanced degree, or the equivalent combination of training or experience, with a strong track record of academic achievement.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND BENEFITS

- Competitive hourly salary, work schedule, start date, and term of service to be negotiated.

- Sixth-floor downtown office overlooking City Hall, Yale University, and New Haven's beautiful public square. New Haven is one of the nation's most walkable cities, and is located 60 miles from New York City and 130 miles from Boston.
- Help change public policy and improve your community.

DataHaven is an equal opportunity employer. We do not and will not discriminate in employment and personnel practices on the basis of race, sex, age, handicap, religion, national origin or any other basis prohibited by applicable law. Hiring, transferring and promotion practices are performed without regard to the above listed items. We commit to affirming the value of diversity and promoting an environment free of discrimination.

TO APPLY

Please submit your cover letter, and a resume with salary history, via email to info (at) ctdatahaven.org, or via mail to 129 Church St, Suite 605, New Haven, CT 06510. Due to our small staff size, we may be unable to respond to inquiries about this position, and phone calls will not be accepted. The cover letter should explain your interest in the position and describe your relevant experience, as well as indicate your potential availability or preferred start date.