The Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA) is accepting applications for a fellowship program to provide new opportunities to people who have successfully completed a period of probation, parole, or supervised release. This program, similar to “Credible Messenger” efforts around the country, calls for the selected candidates to use their own life experiences to work with CSOSA’s supervision and treatment staff to assist offenders in a variety of ways, including goal-setting, social and emotional support, and decision-making. The program is part of a broader “Hire One” jobs initiative the agency launched in 2020 to better engage area employers.

We are accepting applications through April 26, 2022, for several temporary positions (GS-3 or GS-4). The new hires will be with CSOSA for up to six months, with the possibility of one six-month extension. These paid positions are expected to help those selected for the program move forward with their own careers, while helping others. The object is more than just employment. CSOSA also hopes to provide these temporary employees with the opportunity to enhance their skills and obtain vocational certifications that private employers may need.

As the President reaffirmed in his Proclamation on Second Chance Month, 2022, the Federal government must work to eliminate barriers to reentry, including by expanding opportunities for employment. This fellowship program, designed with support from the Office of Personnel Management, is consistent with that policy direction.

The job application can be accessed on USA Jobs at https://www.usajobs.gov/job/647157600.