

Outreach Coordinator (part-time/hybrid)

Children's Advocates for Change is an independent advocacy organization committed to the well-being of every Illinois child. We champion policies and investments to make families stronger and improve the lives of children so that they may grow up well-educated, safe, and healthy. Our goal is to see that every child is afforded every opportunity to succeed in life regardless of that child's race, ethnicity, or zip code.



Equity is at the forefront of Children's Advocacy for Change's efforts. The organization uses a racial, ethnic, and inclusion lens in all its policies, programs, employment practices and operations. Disaggregating the data by race and ethnicity helps us pinpoint the barriers children may face and the solutions needed.

Our organization also seeks to complement our data collection with community input. Our "Local Exchange" Program allows us to garner that input by establishing diverse groups of community members (10-15) - that play a vital role in identifying potential issues, supply local views to help determine how policy can be tailored to address the problems of communities, offer forums for individuals to learn about and become engaged in advocacy efforts, and present opportunities for people to connect with a diverse group of community leaders.

Our activities also include a Youth Public Policy Leadership Program that involves training young people in the communications and advocacy skills to become effective spokespeople for themselves and their communities.

Responsibilities

This position is designed to assist with the organizing of the Local Exchanges and community groups of young people to participate in the Youth Public Policy Leadership Program.

- Identifying stakeholders in each community
- Coordinating Local Exchange meetings
- Assist with coordinating Youth Public Policy Leadership Program (YPPLP) training sessions
- Establishing email chains/listservs for the Local Exchanges
- Helping to build out our social media channels with community members
- Assist with policy work related to the Local Exchanges

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree (Ideally in political science, social work, or related field)
- Preferably two to three years' experience community/grassroots engagement
- Strong project management skills
- Working knowledge with Microsoft Office Suite
- Excellent interpersonal, verbal, and written communication skills

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- Must have a valid Driver's License, access to reliable transportation, and willingness to travel.
- Ability to work on occasional evenings

The individual fulfilling this position would work approximately 20 hours a week over six months. The individual should be based in the Chicago metropolitan area and would work from home when not in the field.

Anticipated pay around \$22/hour. Benefits are not included.

Children's Advocates for Change is an equal opportunity employer that values qualified applicants without regard to disability, race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran status, and other legally protected characteristics.

Interested persons should forward a letter stating the applicant's interest and availability and a resume to:

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No phone calls please.