

Job Opportunity: Delaware County Community Organizer

Location: Delaware County, PA

Schedule: Full Time

Application deadline: Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Ideal start date is

February 2024.

About Clean Air Council

The Council is a member-supported environmental organization dedicated to protecting everyone's right to a healthy environment for over 50 years. The Council uses public education, community organizing, and legal action to advocate for environmental justice and the right of all residents to clean air, pure water, and a healthy environment. The Council believes that all residents should have the opportunity for meaningful input on the decisions that impact their health, environment, and quality of life.

The Council is an equal opportunity employer and has a strongly held belief in the importance of having a diverse workforce. Clean Air Council strongly encourages people of color, women, LGBTQI individuals, and those with disabilities to apply.

Position Description

The Delaware County Community Organizer will be responsible for implementing Clean Air Council's outreach, organizing, education, and advocacy work in Marcus Hook, Trainer, and Chester, PA. The organizer will be working in three program areas: environmental justice, air quality monitoring and watershed protection. The organizer will work to support Marcus Hook, Trainer, and Chester area residents in gaining an understanding of local environmental issues and health impacts from industrial facilities, raising their concerns with decision makers at the local, county, and state level, and advocating for positive change. The organizer will mainly support the implementation of an air quality monitoring program and will also support parts of a watershed protection campaign. The organizer will be a part of the Council's Delaware County Environmental Justice team, which includes the Delaware County Advocacy Coordinator and the Delaware County Programs Director.

Responsibilities

General Environmental Justice Organizing

- Educate the public, including residents and local groups, about pollution impacts to public health and the environment from industrial facilities
- Teach residents how to recognize potential pollution incidents and report them to the appropriate agencies.

• Organize and support residents in testifying at public meetings and submitting public comments about pollution concerns

EPA Air Quality Monitoring Program (80-90%)

- Work with the Delaware County EJ team to implement a community outreach and engagement plan, including activities such as organizing events, tabling at community events, and knocking doors
- Outreach to residents, businesses, and organizations to recruit them to host air monitors as part of the two-year program
- Assist residents in installing monitors and follow-up with them to ensure monitors are functioning properly and that they know how to read the monitors and collect data
- Support the distribution and presentation of air quality monitoring data and reports (developed by our experts) to community members and local stakeholders

Watershed Protections Program (10-20%)

Work with the Delaware County EJ team to support ongoing watershed protection
work including: watchingdogging pollution sources, supporting outreach to
residents around permit applications and renewals for industrial facilities,
encouraging residents to submit public comments and/ or attend public hearings,
engaging residents and groups in advocating for stronger water quality protections
on industrial polluters, and supporting other watershed related meetings, projects,
and events

Qualifications

- Previous experience in community outreach, community organizing, advocacy campaigns, teaching, or work that required similar skills
- Knowledge of local community assets and concerns
- Excellent written and oral communications skills
- Public speaking experience is a plus

Other Considerations

- The Council will prioritize candidates that live in or near Marcus Hook, Trainer, and/ or the City of Chester, PA
- Some local travel may be required.t (the Council will cover the cost of public transportation, mileage reimbursement, or rental cars)
- Some occasional evening and weekends may be required

Compensation

The salary range for this position is \$40,000-\$65,000, commensurate with experience and skills.

Benefits

Council staff benefits include the following:

- Health insurance, vision insurance, and dental insurance
- Optional flexible spending account
- 21 vacation days per year, plus 2 personal days
- 8 paid holidays
- 401k with a 4% match
- Long-term disability insurance
- Life insurance
- Septa Key Advantage, covered 100%
- RideEco pre-tax transit
- Flexible working hours and flex time
- Remote and hybrid work options (in addition to in-person meetings and events)

How to Apply

Applicants should send a cover letter and resume to Matt Walker, Advocacy Director, at mwalker@cleanair.org. Please cc Eve Miari (emiari@cleanair.org) and use the subject "Delco Community Organizer Application_[LAST NAME]."