



AMERICA'S UNIONS

LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY SPECIALIST- CLEAN ENERGY JOBS

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WASHINGTON, DC [HEADQUARTERS]

Are you passionate about economic fairness and social justice? Do you want to improve the lives of working people and strengthen the labor movement? If you answered, “Yes!” then the AFL-CIO may be the right place for you. We are the largest federation of labor unions in the United States, and our team of dynamic professionals is dedicated to growing worker power and ensuring every working person has a voice on the job. When you work at the AFL-CIO, you’re more than just an individual employee—you’re helping to lead a movement with a proud history and a bright future ahead.

Clean Energy Jobs is a priority area of work for the AFL-CIO. The Legislative and Policy Specialist - Clean Energy Jobs works as part of the Clean Energy Jobs and Advocacy teams to help formulate and deliver comprehensive legislative strategies for this priority area. This includes delivery of strategy towards federal committees of jurisdiction, legislative offices, and government agencies. The Legislative and Policy Specialist may also support development of model state and municipal policy in this issue area, via the AFL-CIO’s state and local government advocacy unit.

This is a joint hire between Clean Energy Jobs and the Advocacy hub.

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES:

Technical Skills

- Lobby Congress on issues pertaining to union jobs in the value chain of clean energy.
- Develop material on issues in forms appropriate for Washington lobbying as well as for grass roots lobbying, including AFL-CIO policy letters, fact sheets and legislative updates.
- Respond to requests for information, draft comments, and provide technical assistance as required to Congressional members and staff, the Administration and department/agency staff, affiliate union departments and members, the media, education institutions, national and local organizations and the general public.
- Conduct briefings on issues for hill staff, assist Congressional members and staff in preparation for hearings and markups.
- Analyze legislation and prepare written materials for use by Congressional members and their staff, the Administration and department/agency staff, and AFL-CIO staff as required.

Liaison

- Represent the AFL-CIO in a variety of public settings including at congressional hearings, conferences, meetings with Members of Congress and congressional staff, appropriate government agencies, educational institutions and before other allied organizations.

Reporting

- Keeps the Director and the Strategic Adviser to the President for Clean Energy Jobs fully

informed on a regular basis on legislative and policy issues relating to clean energy jobs.

- Prepares and submits regular and ad hoc reports on legislative activities as required.

Other

- Performs other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Education and experience

- A bachelor's degree in a relevant field, such as political science, economics, environmental science, or labor studies.
- At least 5 years' experience working with climate and/or energy issues, preferably in the context of lobbying, policy advocacy, or employment on Capitol Hill.
- At least 5 years of lobbying experience at the national or local level, or 5 years of experience on Capitol Hill.
- Strong knowledge of the labor movement; actual experience working for a union is highly desirable.

Skills

- Must be able to effectively articulate the AFL-CIO's position on issues and be able to negotiate the resolution of differing points of view within the labor movement and on Capitol Hill.
- Demonstrate effective ability to get along well with a wide variety of people.
- Strong interpersonal skills and ability to work in teams.
- Demonstrate excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Excellent public speaking skills, including demonstrated ability to appear before large groups.
- Proficiency in Internet-based research, word processing and e-mail programs.
- Demonstrate ability to work effectively in politically sensitive and high-pressure environments.
- Ability to work independently within the context of a plan.
- Flexibility to travel as required in performance of duties.
- Ability to work long and irregular hours when needed.

Starting annual salary: \$106,756.49

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