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Position **San Antonio Climate Justice Organizer – Public Citizen’s Texas Office**

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF POSITION: The San Antonio Climate Justice Organizer will work with the Field Director, the Director and other Texas office staff to garner support for local climate action in San Antonio. The San Antonio Organizer will be responsible for helping to grow the Climate Action SA coalition by reaching out to and developing relationships with organizations and individuals throughout the San Antonio community. The organizer will actively engage in the city’s climate planning process, and will work with partners to promote a rapid and just transition to renewable energy. Engagement with low-income and other disadvantaged communities will be a priority. This is a grant contingent position based in San Antonio with some travel to Austin required. Fluency in Spanish strongly preferred.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Actively participate in weekly Climate Action SA meetings and calls. Take notes and assume leadership roles, as assigned.
2. Participate in meetings with city council members and their staff, the UTSA climate planning team, CPS Energy, city staff, and other government entities.
3. As necessary, speak at Citizens to be Heard (public comment period) at city council meetings.
4. Attend community events in all parts of town to make new connections. This should include environmental and social justice events, as well as more general events, such as neighborhood association meetings.
5. Follow-up with one-on-one meetings and calls with new and existing contacts to develop collaborative relationships.
6. Work with the Field Director to plan and execute events, such as town halls meetings, happy hours, and rallies, to share information and bring people together.
7. Maintain and update contact lists.
8. Research on various topics, including climate action plans in other cities, renewable energy, energy efficiency, air pollution, transportation, recycling, composting, and other greenhouse gas mitigation and climate change adaptation strategies.
9. Develop factsheets on various topics and fliers for events.
10. Contribute monthly posts to our blog.
11. Work with the Press Officer and Field Director on San Antonio press releases, op-eds, and letters to the editor, to promote our positions and events.
12. Work with the Press Officer and Field Director to utilize social media, including Facebook and Twitter, to build contact lists, promote events and share information.
13. Assist with San Antonio press conferences.

REQUIREMENTS:

Education: College degree preferred.

Knowledge: Strategy for organizing. Knowledge about climate change, renewable energy, and air pollution. Political savvy helpful.

Work Experience: At least two years’ experience organizing. Nonprofit experience beneficial, but not required. Experience working in San Antonio beneficial.

Skills: **Fluency in both English and Spanish strongly preferred.** Excellent written and oral communication skills. Social media skills, particularly Facebook and Twitter beneficial.



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Capabilities: Self-motivated, works well with a wide range of people in a fast-paced environment, works well independently and as part of a team, manages multiple projects and work under pressure, adapts to changing situations on a daily basis; desire to learn about and advance progressive causes.

SALARY AND BENEFITS: Competitive salary commensurate with experience. Medical and dental paid by employer, personal leave, three weeks paid vacation for new employees and more.

TO APPLY:

Send a letter of interest, resume, two writing samples and samples of social media content to kwhite@citizen.org

Public Citizen is an equal opportunity employer. People of color, women, LGBT candidates are encouraged to apply.

About Public Citizen:

Public Citizen is a national, nonprofit advocacy organization founded in 1971 to represent the public interest in Congress, the executive branch and the courts. We fight for openness and democratic accountability in government; for social and economic justice in globalization and trade policies; for clean, safe and sustainable energy; for strong health, safety and environmental protections; for safe, effective and affordable medicines and health care and for the right of consumers to seek redress in the courts. We have six divisions based in our Washington, D.C. offices and an office in Texas.

The mission of Public Citizen's Texas office is to empower citizens to be effective advocates for the environment and against corporate and governmental irresponsibility. Since 1984, the Texas state office has worked to combat global climate change, promote the use of clean renewable energy, reduce the use of coal, and get environmental policies enforced to reduce air and water pollution. We work with numerous partner groups, including other national nonprofits and local organizations. Public Citizen has achieved important victories in Texas on energy efficiency, renewable energy and air quality issues over the past 31 years. Among recent victories, we were involved in legislation that led to Texas' wind boom; we helped draft energy efficiency legislation that led to Texas being the first in the nation to have an efficiency portfolio standard; we helped pass Texas building energy codes in 2001 and we have developed programs to reduce toxic and diesel emissions.