

JOB NOTICE
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ORGANIZER FOR NY GREEN SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN
Part-Time Staff Position with National Organization

The Center for Health, Environment & Justice (CHEJ) is a national organization that empowers communities to create safe, healthy and sustainable environments. CHEJ was instrumental in establishing some of the first national policies to protect communities such as the Superfund Program and Right-to-Know. Our recent work is on issues such as polyvinyl chloride (PVC), dioxin, bisphenol A (BPA), green purchasing and greening schools. CHEJ's goal is to prevent harm from toxic exposures-particularly among vulnerable populations such as children.

CHEJ is seeking a part-time campaign organizer for a new New York State campaign to green schools inside and out. On the outside, the campaign is focused on passing a statewide policy to establish a safe siting process to ensure schools are not located near or on contaminated sites or toxic facilities. On the inside of schools, the campaign is focused on creating local/regional PVC-free policies for school supplies and building materials. We are looking for a part-time organizer with campaign organizing skills to assist two CHEJ staff, located in New York City and Albany area offices, to pass these green schools policies.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Provide administrative, program and campaign support to New York greening schools campaign. Assist with outreach to community, health, environmental justice, labor and school organizations, policymakers and the media. Assist with set up and coordination of media events, advocacy meetings and events. Assist with statewide, local/regional and college-level initiatives to pass green school policies. Conduct research to address information needs. Assist with field, online, and statewide campaign activities.

SKILLS REQUIRED: Independent, self-motivated, and creative thinker. Strong logistical skills, detail oriented, extremely organized, and good team player. Strong communication skills through written and public speaking opportunities. Strong interpersonal skills, organizing and campaigning skills and time management. Strong computer and internet research skills. Online organizing experience preferred.

QUALIFICATIONS: Two years grassroots campaign and/or organizing experience strongly preferred. Experience with children's environmental health issues and campaigning preferred. Commitment to grassroots organizing as a means to achieving social and environmental justice.

APPLICATIONS: Position can be located at a home office in NYS. Travel to Albany, New York City and other targeted urban areas or college campuses will need to be done on a regular basis for events and meetings. Salary commensurate with experience. People of color and women are encouraged to apply. Send cover letter with salary requirements and resume to: Sharon Franklin at sfranklin@chej.org.