



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT – LOCAL POLICY SPECIALIST

Public Health Advocates (PHAdvocates) brings a health and equity lens to some of the most important issues of our day. We have two decades of successful state and local campaign experience focusing on prevention and challenging the social, political, and economic systems that perpetuate racial, economic and health disparities. Over the past 20 years, PHAdvocates has helped 200 California cities enact more than 600 local policies. At the state level, we led the campaigns to get soda and junk food out of public schools, fund elementary school physical education, require that restaurants put calorie information on their menus, and fund statewide diabetes prevention.

PHAdvocates seeks a dynamic Outreach Specialist who can build upon the current successes of our Within Our REACH (Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health) project to forge a path forward for Public Health Advocates in the City of Stockton. Strong applicants will have a track record of community organizing, policy development, and facilitation. Knowledge of the intersection of health and city planning is a plus.

Project Description

Within Our REACH is a project funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. It serves African American residents living in low-income census tracts in Stockton. Its prime strategy is advancing policy, systems and environmental change within churches and organizations that service African Americans and in the City of Stockton's General Plan. The CDC has recognized Stockton's Within Our REACH project as one of its top programs. PHAdvocates has augmented Within Our REACH with programs focusing on trauma and on community organizing.

The Outreach Specialist will support the operations of community-based organizations Within our REACH programs including, leading our Active People Healthy Stockton initiative, convene our resident coalition and support ongoing city level policy efforts. The Outreach Specialist reports to the REACH Program Manager and will assist them with the preparation of funding proposals to expand current and new program opportunities.

Responsibilities

- Support development of community action plans and their implementation
- Lead the Active People Healthy Stockton Initiative
- Convene the community leadership workgroup
- Serve as liaison between organizations and partners involved in the project
- Support advocacy campaigns to encourage implementation of health elements in the City of Stockton General Plan
- Support sustainability planning and implementation, including identifying and developing new funding opportunities

- Assist organizations in developing policy
- Perform other duties as assigned

Qualifications

- BA/BS. preferred
- 3+ years of experience in local policy development, community outreach/organizing and leadership of strategic advocacy campaigns
- Strong leadership skills
- Strong interpersonal skills to build and maintain relationships
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Experience with grant writing and reporting

Position details:

- This is a full-time non-exempt position based in Stockton, CA.
- Eligible for full health benefits available to spouses, domestic partners and dependents
- 40 to 48k salary based on relevant experience
- Position available immediately
- New hires must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 by start date. Accommodations will be made for those who cannot be vaccinated for medical or religious reasons.

Submit cover letter, resume, and writing sample electronically to: **Sergio Zepeda, Director of Human Resources:** SZ@PHAdvocates.org.

Public Health Advocates provides equal employment opportunities to all applicants without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability, or genetics.