

Job Posting – Full-time, short-term

Community Energy Campaigner – January 2017

The Ecology Action Centre's Energy Action Team is seeking a full-time Community Energy Campaigner for a three month contract with possibility of extension. The successful candidate's responsibility will be to strengthen the EAC's work in community-level energy research and campaigning. The position will also support the work of the Energy Action Team, more generally. The Community Energy Campaigner will work closely with the Energy Campaign Coordinator and Energy Action Team and report to the Energy Campaign Coordinator.

This position will principally work toward community-based energy and climate change research and campaigning in Nova Scotia and Atlantic Canada, with a focus on the justice-based transition to a zero-carbon economy. Specifically, it will involve the following duties:

- Report-writing, research and support for various projects of the Ecology Action Centre;
- Building and strengthening relationships with Nova Scotian communities to support their existing needs, research and campaigns, with a focus on Workers, Mi'kmaq communities, African Nova-Scotian communities and other communities of colour;
- Research related to workers making the transition from high-carbon to low-carbon industries, and workers joining the low-carbon economy from other sectors and communities;
- Supporting the Energy Campaign Coordinator in monitoring and shaping climate change and energy policy in Nova Scotia, Atlantic Canada, and Canada;
- Supporting the Energy Conservation Coordinator in work relating to energy efficiency programs and multi-stakeholder initiatives in Nova Scotia and Atlantic Canada;
- Meeting with regional, national, and international organizations related to the Energy Action Team's work;
- Supporting the Energy Action Team's work in media, social media and various publications;
- Participation in stakeholder consultations, regulatory proceedings and advisory boards;
- Identifying and supporting the pursuit of fundraising opportunities; and
- Supporting the overall work of the Energy Action Team and the Ecology Action Centre.

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Skills and Experience Required

- Strong interest in the greater effects of climate change on indigenous communities and communities of colour, and the relationship between climate change and social justice.
- Interest in and knowledge of environmental matters related to community capacity, health, well-being, and environmental racism.
- Interest in and knowledge of energy systems and how they effect, benefit or harm people at the community level.
- Experience working with Aboriginal communities, African-Canadian communities or other communities of colour to support their operations, projects, events or political endeavours.
- Excellent communication skills, both oral and written.
- Demonstrated ability to develop and strengthen relationships within and between communities, including Aboriginal, African Nova Scotian or other Nova Scotian communities.
- Proven skills in reviewing and compiling topics of interest.
- Project management skills: ability to work independently and as part of a team, effectively manage multiple tasks and manage and use time efficiently.
- Computer literacy in MS Office, including Word, Excel, PowerPoint, etc.
- Available some evenings and weekends and willing to travel.

Desirable Skills and Experience

- Experience with social media and traditional mass media.
- Experience bringing people together, and leading or supporting community events or workshops.
- Experience working with an NGO, First Nation Band, co-op, Labour organization, non-profit or community enterprise.
- Experience working with volunteers.
- Experience working with governments and policy matters.
- Experience with public speaking.
- Web-based skills.
- Education or training in social sciences, community organizing, natural sciences or public policy.
- Related experience with sustainable energy.
- Experience managing projects and budgets, and develop funding proposals.

Wage and Benefits: \$20.00/hour; 30 hours/week; three month contract with possibility of extension and/or increase in hours based on funding and performance

Location: Halifax, Nova Scotia in EAC's newly renovated, highly efficient office

Application: Cover letter, resume and three references.

Please submit your application via email with "APPLICATION – Community Energy Campaigner" in the email subject line. All applications should be in the form of a pdf document with required elements in the following order: cover letter, resume, references.

Deadline: 4:00, Monday, January 9, 2017

Attention: Stephen Thomas, Energy Campaign Coordinator, stephen@ecologyaction.ca

We thank all applicants for their time and interest, however only short-listed applicants will be contacted. Interviews will begin the week of January 16, 2017.

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The Ecology Action Centre was founded in 1971 and is one of Nova Scotia's most active environmental organizations. The Centre always welcomes new members and volunteers:

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