JOB POSTING: WSLC Legislative and Policy Director

Washington State Labor Council

The Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO, is the largest labor federation and considered to be the voice of labor in the State of Washington. The WSLC represents over 600 local unions and over 600,000 union workers, serving as the political, legislative and policy, communications and solidarity arm of the labor movement.

Position Overview

The Legislative and Policy Director is part of the WSLC lobbying team and is directed by the President, who is the WSLC's chief administrative officer. Working with the Government Relations Director, who also serves as the lead lobbyist for the council, the Legislative and Policy Director will help develop the WSLC's biennial legislative agenda. The Legislative and Policy Director is part of the administrative staff of the WSLC and, as such, is part of the collective bargaining agreement between the WSLC and Office and Professional Employees International Union, Local 8. The Director is a member of OPEIU Local 8.

Description of Duties

As part of the legislative development process, the Director will chair, co-chair, or serve on a number of internal and external policy committees, work with affiliated unions and community partners on policy goals, draft convention resolutions, conduct workshops, and represent the WSLC by speaking at various union, legislative and administrative hearings, writing testimony, talking points and positions papers, and helping our affiliates and community allies navigate the legislative process. The Director will also be responsible for other policy assignments made by the President.

Desired Job Qualifications

This position requires at least three (3) years of legislative/lobbying experience at the local, state or federal levels. Content expertise is required in at least two (2) of the following areas: workers' compensation, farm labor, immigration, unemployment insurance, workforce training, health care, health and safety, employment standards, education, or tax and revenue policy. Excellent written and verbal communication skills are required. Knowledge of the Washington State Legislature, Washington State legislators, and the Washington State Labor Movement is preferred.

Compensation and Benefits

- Salary Range: competitive salary with step increases starting at \$75,000
- Benefits: health care, vision and dental, defined benefit pension, deferred compensation program, 4 weeks' vacation, sick leave, family leave, auto or auto allowance, employer-paid auto insurance and more

To Apply

Send a cover letter expressing interest and qualifications to Larry Brown, President, Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO. Include current resume, a writing sample on a policy position, and three references.

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Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.