



Position Announcement:
Midwestern States Field Associate
Applications due: Feb 22, 2010

Choice USA is working to empower the diverse, upcoming generation of leaders who promote and protect reproductive freedom – both now and in the future. We are dedicated to the right of each person worldwide to decide when and if they will have sex, when and if they will be pregnant, and when and if they will have a child. Choice USA provides tools, training and leadership opportunities to young people aged 15 – 30 to mobilize for reproductive information and services and win real victories for their campuses and communities!

Midwestern States Field Associate:

Choice USA seeks a committed, experienced individual who is passionate about reproductive/social justice to organize and develop our Midwestern States Field Program. The Midwestern States Field Associate will build a diverse base, lead and create trainings, build relationships with colleagues and partners as well as create and implement campaign strategy. Candidates must have knowledge of and commitment to reproductive health and rights and/or social justice issues, experience with national and/or state organizing and excellent training skills. This position will report to the National Field Director.

Responsibilities:

➤ **Base Building and Outreach**

- Maintain an accurate and comprehensive database of Midwestern chapters, members, community organizations and individuals
- Track and report chapter progress, leadership development and all outreach activities
- Represent Choice USA at campus and community events and at local, state and national conferences
- Serve as the point person between Midwestern state chapters and the national office
- Cultivate knowledge of tools and technologies to increase constituent engagement
- Maintain regular/weekly contact with chapters

➤ **Campaigns**

- Identify, build, train and develop a diverse base of young leaders and activists in the Midwestern States to run local, state and national reproductive justice campaigns
- Identify regional, local, state and campus issues and develop campaign strategies
- Inspire grassroots activism for the purpose of building active, visible local support for reproductive health rights and justice

➤ **Training**

- Work with Choice USA staff to plan, develop and implement trainings for Choice USA's Reproductive Justice Organizing Academy
- Facilitate meetings and strategy sessions
- Provide technical assistance, training, materials and resources to Midwestern members and chapters

Qualifications:

- Strong commitment to women's right to choose; to their rights to make their own decisions about contraception, abortion and childbearing; and to government's responsibility to defend and support those rights
- Demonstrated commitment to youth activism
- 1-2 years experience in Field Organizing (community, union, electoral, youth or campus)
- Willingness to travel at least 2 weeks out of the month
- Knowledge of Midwestern regional issues, political landscape and cultural complexity
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Experience working with diverse communities
- Ability to juggle multiple tasks with attention to detail
- Flexibility and adaptability to change
- Ability to work well with a team, take direction and feedback, and share skills and knowledge
- Willingness to identify, develop and take on new opportunities to further Choice USA's mission
- Knowledge of Microsoft Office programs and web/online tools

Salary: Commensurate with experience. Excellent benefits.

Placement: Washington, D.C.

To Apply: Applications will be considered on a rolling basis until **February 22, 2010**. Incomplete applications will NOT be considered. Please send cover letter, resume, 2 page writing sample and the names and contact information of three references to:

Choice USA
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1317 F Street NW, Suite 501, Washington DC, 20004
or
e-mail: esargon@choiceusa.org

Choice USA is an equal opportunity employer. People of color, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender people and those with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.