

POLICY FELLOWSHIP

Connecticut Voices for Children seeks a highly qualified recent college graduate to fill a full-time, two-year policy fellowship researching and advocating for equitable opportunities for all children. This policy position at Connecticut Voices is designed for people who have been out of college for no more than two years and are interested in doing state-level policy work before entering graduate or professional school.

Connecticut Voices for Children is a non-profit, non-partisan research and advocacy organization that works statewide to promote the well-being of Connecticut's children, youth, and families. Our efforts are founded on quality research and public policy analyses, active and strategic communications and legislative advocacy programs, and a growing network of organizational partnerships. For more information about areas of focus and recent publications, please visit our website at www.ctvoices.org.

The Associate Policy Fellow will work with and learn from senior staff trained in law, public health, fiscal policy, and education on a range of research and policy analysis initiatives including early care and education, state fiscal policy, child poverty and family economic security, juvenile justice, foster care, K-12 education, and health policy. The Associate Policy Fellow will specialize in one or two of these areas based on the needs of the organization, with exposure to projects in all areas. In addition, the Associate Policy Fellow will learn about Connecticut's state legislative, executive, and judicial structures and will be registered as a lobbyist.* This work may include preparing and delivering testimony for legislative hearings, participating in advocacy coalition meetings, meeting with legislators and staff, creating educational materials for policymakers, and providing general support for Connecticut Voices for Children's policy agenda.

Candidates must have a bachelor's degree, excellent research, writing, and presentation skills; strong interpersonal skills and initiative; and a commitment to social justice and racial equity. They must also demonstrate passion about issues that affect children and their families. Basic quantitative/statistical skills and additional experience with data analysis are preferred. Experience in policy research and analysis is advantageous. Candidates must possess a valid Driver's License. Connecticut Voices for Children is an affirmative action employer. This is a salaried position with excellent benefits. The fellowship will begin in the summer of 2019.

To apply, please send an email with the subject "CT Voices Fellowship 2019" to Karen Siegel at ksiegel@ctvoices.org. Attach your cover letter, resume, a writing sample (maximum of five double-spaced pages), college transcript (unofficial accepted), and contact information for three references (including one academic reference). References will not be contacted without prior notification. **Applications will be accepted until midnight EST on Sunday, December 6, 2018.**

^{*} A lobbyist is any person who either expends or agrees to expend, or receives or agrees to receive, \$3,000 or more in a calendar year to communicate directly or to solicit others to communicate with any public official or their staff in the legislative or executive branch, or in a quasi-public agency, in an effort to influence legislative or administrative action. Connecticut General Statutes §§ 1-91 (11) and (12).