

# UTAH HEALTH POLICY PROJECT

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## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Utah Health Policy Project seeks **Community Organizer** (*full time or negotiable*)

**Position Summary:** The organizer will manage the agency's civic engagement and organizing activities pursuant to covering the uninsured, protecting Medicaid, and reducing disparities. **Sample activities:** town hall meetings, workshops, training, and follow-up activities to help people (middle class voters, individuals directly impacted by health care crisis, and small business owners) gain the skills and confidence to become effective participants in health policy decisions that impact their lives.

## QUALIFICATIONS

- 2-3 years experience in community organizing or in managing a legislative coalition or campaign;
- Strong analytic and political skills, including a thorough understanding of the political and legislative processes related to Utah health policy and the state budget process;
- Excellent communications skills, including ability to listen and to write clearly and effectively for a wide range of audiences under a deadline.
- Outstanding organizational skills, including the ability to prioritize and manage various complex projects simultaneously;
- High energy level;
- Ability to interact effectively with a broad range of people;
- Working knowledge of health policy and Medicaid issues and health care delivery systems;
- Ability to think strategically;
- Strong leadership, collaborative and team building skills;
- Demonstrated commitment to social justice in general and expanded health coverage in particular;
- Experience with grant writing and fundraising a plus; computer, photography skills also a plus.
- B.A. degree or equivalent.
- Bilingual language (Spanish) skills desired.

## RESPONSIBILITIES

In collaboration with established statewide networks (local chambers, Utah Community Action Partnership Association, Disability Law Center, and AARP), organize advocacy training sessions and results-oriented town hall meetings on health policy issues; provide tools for effective participation in health policy decisions;

- Build, manage, and activate the growing community of individuals and organizations dedicated to systemic and sustainable health care reform in Utah;
- Develop and maintain a *storybank*: collect stories from uninsured Utah residents, Medicaid enrollees, and small business owners and adapt for various educational purposes;
- Build enduring relationships with community partners and business leaders and workshop participants in order to sustain civic and grassroots participation in health policy discussions and to improve accountability of policymakers to the health priorities of Utah voters;

***UHPP is an equal opportunity employer. Persons of color are encouraged to apply.***

**Closing Date:** July 31, 2008

**Web site:** [www.healthpolicyproject.org](http://www.healthpolicyproject.org)

**Location of Position:** Salt Lake City (extensive travel across state required)

**Salary Range:** \$38,000-40,000, depending on experience    **Benefits:** Health, dental, holidays & vacation.

**Send resume with cover letter and 3 references to (*may be sent electronically*):**

Utah Health Policy Project (Attn: Hiring Committee)

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