SEIU LOCAL 73

Deputy Political Director

Based in Chicago Illinois

Are you looking for a job with a growing, fighting, diverse and dynamic, member driven union? If so, a career with SEIU Local 73 may be for you!

ABOUT SEIU Local 73:

With nearly 30,000 members, SEIU Local 73 has a proud history of raising standards for workers and their families. The Local represents service, technical and professional workers primarily in the public sector in Illinois and Indiana, who are employed in state and local government, school districts, publicly funded social service agencies and universities.

Local 73 is committed to helping workers organize and build a powerful collective voice on the job to win fair wages, meaningful benefits, a sustainable retirement, dignity, and respect.

ROLE:

The **Deputy Political Director** works under the guidance of the Local 73 Political Director to develop and implement a political program and legislative agenda that builds power for Local 73 members and working people throughout Illinois and Indiana.

DUTIES:

- Supervises the work of staff political organizers and volunteers.
- Develops a field operation to turn Local 73 members out to vote.
- Creates and presents political education curriculum for members in conjunction with the Local's Director of Member Education.
- Recruits and trains Local 73 members to take on significant roles in key political races and run for public office.
- Works in coalition with allied labor and community organizations on key campaigns and legislative initiatives
- Produces high quality written plans and presentations.
- Coordinates the work of consultants, contractors and lobbyists as required.
- Creates a Local wide voter registration program.
- Partners with division directors to boost COPE (Political Action Fund) participation.
- Other duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- A college education or equivalent life experience
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- A proven strategic thinker who is committed to helping workers win.
- Basic computer skills (Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint etc.)
- Ability and willingness to work long and irregular hours, including weekends.
- Personal commitment to the mission and goals of SEIU Local 73.
- Bi-lingual English/ Spanish a plus, but not required.
- Experience working on political and/ or union organizing campaigns.

- Experience with voter tracking systems such as VAN, Nation Builder etc.
- Can work independently and as part of a team.
- Possess an understanding of the myriad challenges working people face today.
- Committed to social, racial, and economic justice.
- Physically able to walk and stand for extended periods of time for canvassing etc.
- A basic knowledge of the legislative process.
- A solid understanding of City of Chicago, Cook County, and Illinois State politics.

The salary range for this job is \$75,000 - \$85,000 per year depending on skills and experience, and the position comes with substantial benefits, including, paid holidays and vacations, excellent fully paid health insurance benefits, a \$7200/year combined phone and car allowance, and a defined benefit pension plan fully paid by the employer.

SEIU Local 73 is an equal opportunity employer committed to a diverse and inclusive workforce. Women, people of color, those with disabilities, and members of the LGBTQ community are strongly encouraged to apply. This is a confidential position and exempt from Local 73's staff union CBA.

TO APPLY

Interested applicants should send a cover letter and resume to the Hiring Committee at careers@seiu73.org. Interviews will begin in early November and continue until the position is filled.