



State Innovation Exchange (SiX) Position Announcement: Colorado State Director

About the State Innovation Exchange

The State Innovation Exchange (SiX) is a national resource and strategy center that supports state legislators who seek to strengthen our democracy, fight for working families, defend civil rights and liberties, and protect the environment. We do this by providing state legislative offices with top-notch training and research, emphasizing leadership development, amplifying legislators' voices, and forging strategic alliances between our legislative network and grassroots movements. With a long-term vision of building progressive power and infrastructure at the state level, SiX assists legislators who are working to move a progressive agenda forward in the states and it has built a network of more than 3,000 elected officials who represent all 50 states.

Position Summary

SiX is seeking a talented leader with a record of success in coalition building, policy promotion, and legislative organizing to serve as a full-time Colorado State Director. The ideal candidate will be a passionate, results-driven progressive who can take direction and operate independently. The Colorado State Director will work with national staff at SiX as well as in-state and national partners to promote progressive policies and support progressive legislators in Colorado.

Responsibilities Include

- Broaden and deepen the SiX legislative network in Colorado
- Work collaboratively with legislators, staff, and partners to pursue a unified progressive policy vision for the state
- Provide policy and strategic support to legislators
- Align partner and legislator engagement to promote progressive policies
- Oversee issue research to inform policy, framing, and strategic decisions
- Arrange, coordinate, and at times facilitate policy and communications trainings, strategic conversations, and other legislator events
- Organize and facilitate town halls and other public forums on key issues of public and legislative interest
- Act as an in-state presence and state liaison for SiX
- Coordinate with SiX partners and stakeholders
- Perform other duties as assigned

Skills & Qualifications

- A passion for progressive issues and politics at the state and national level
- Experience with state-level advocacy preferred
- Experience working in Colorado and existing legislative contacts a plus
- Outside-the-box, creative thinker
- Ability to maintain familiarity with a diverse set of policy issues
- Excellent organizational skills, with the ability to self-motivate and drive projects to completion
- Ability to work quickly under pressure and juggle several projects at once
- Comfort with representing the organization at in-state meetings and events
- Strong communications and writing skills
- Understanding of state policy and legislative process
- Ability to read and analyze policy language
- Willingness to handle occasional long hours and travel

Project Position

This is a yearly grant-funded project position. We anticipate renewal of grant funding for future years. However, continuation of the position is contingent upon future funding.

Compensation

Salary: \$80,000 - \$90,000 depending on experience. Benefits: comprehensive benefits package that includes health, dental, vision, generous paid time off, 403(b) plan with a match, life insurance and disability coverage.

Priority Application Deadline:

January 15th, 2019 (applications will be accepted until position is filled)

Target Start Date: February 1, 2019

How to Apply

Send a cover letter and resume to jobs@stateinnovation.org. Please include "Colorado State Director" in the subject line. Applications accepted until position is filled.

The State Innovation Exchange is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and encourages applications from all qualified individuals including women, people of color, persons with disabilities, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) individuals.