

# Housing & Transit Outreach Coordinator

## About Futurewise:

Futurewise works throughout Washington State to create healthy, livable communities, protect our working farmlands, forests, and waterways, and ensure a better quality of life for present and future generations. We work with communities to implement effective land use planning and policies that prevent waste and stop sprawl, provide efficient transportation choices, create affordable housing and strong local businesses, mitigate climate change, and ensure healthy natural systems. We are creating a better quality of life in Washington State together.

Futurewise is leading outreach and mobilization for [Seattle for Everyone](#), a broad coalition of affordable housing developers and advocates, for-profit developers and businesses, labor and social justice advocates, environmentalists and urbanists united on a foundation of support for the [Housing Affordability and Livability Agenda \(HALA\)](#). HALA is a set of 65 policy recommendations designed to work together to produce and preserve critically needed affordable and market-rate housing in Seattle—the first ever comprehensive package of housing affordability policies that will provide for a growing, inclusive city over the coming decades.

In addition, we are working with transit advocates to support the community engagement and planning process associated with the implementation of Sound Transit 3 (ST3). The ST3 plan will significantly expand light rail and rapid transit throughout the Seattle and Puget Sound region, with engagement opportunities focused on the light rail alignments, station-area planning for multi-modal access, and incentivizing equitable transit-oriented development (ETOD).

## General Job Description:

Futurewise is seeking a Housing & Transit Outreach Coordinator to work closely with our staff on housing affordability and transit advocacy in Seattle. We are especially looking for candidates who enjoy working with people and have strong communication skills. The Housing & Transit Outreach Coordinator will gain first-hand experience in on-the-ground outreach, coalition politics, and housing and transit policy. Work will include engaging with diverse communities and stakeholders in Seattle (bilingual a big plus). Timeframe is June 2017 through December 2017, with the possibility of extension. There is significant opportunity

for an ambitious and enterprising candidate to contribute to converting this position to a full-time, permanent position at the end of the approximately six-month term.

Compensation is \$18/hour, anticipated at 40 hours per week. This position is eligible to receive an all-access ORCA transit pass, but no other benefits will be provided. Some weekend and evening hours may be required, with advance notice.

## **Job Functions:**

### **Housing Affordability Outreach (60%)**

- Support housing affordability outreach efforts in coordination with Seattle for Everyone coalition partners and Futurewise team;
- Develop outreach materials and social media content that provides up-to-date information on HALA and opportunities to engage;
- Coordinate with outreach team on mobilization efforts for key public hearings and policy briefings;
- Assist with and attend community meetings and other events around Seattle;
- Conduct face-to-face outreach to citywide and neighborhood-based institutions, organizations, businesses, and individuals;
- Recruit, support, and provide testimony training to new grassroots supporters;

### **Sound Transit Outreach (40%)**

- Support transit planning efforts in coordination with Futurewise and our coalition partners;
- Attend and provide feedback in community meetings on land use principles that support transit service;
- Assist in community outreach and education efforts that stress the importance between land use and transit;
- Work to advance affordable housing development advocates in conjunction with Sound Transit planning.

## **How to Apply:**

To apply please email a resume and letter of interest to Bryce Yadon at [jobs@futurewise.org](mailto:jobs@futurewise.org) by 5PM on June 12, 2017. Please make the subject of your email *Housing and Transit Outreach Coordinator*.

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