



**McKinney Climate Fellows and Resilience Cohort Programs
City of Bloomington- Economic and Sustainable Development**

2022 City of Bloomington Climate Action Intern – Job Description

Who We Are

The mission of the City of Bloomington's Department of Economic & Sustainable Development (ESD) is to foster a livable and resilient community through partnerships, collaboration and outreach. Through strategic initiatives that expand economic opportunities, the Department aims to preserve the health of our environment, provide for social equity to residents, and advance the principles of sustainable development.

Summary

City of Bloomington Economic and Sustainable Development Department seeks a highly motivated student to assist with the development of an EV workplace charging initiative during summer 2022. The EV workplace charging initiative will help fulfill Climate Action Plan Goal TL2-B-2 to increase access to electric vehicle chargers citywide. This work will build on technical assistance provided to the City of Bloomington by the Electrification Coalition during the 2021 Resilience Cohort, as well as research provided by the National Research Energy Laboratory EV and Solar Co-Deployment Program.

During the 10 week period, the intern will be responsible for evaluating other workplace charging initiatives sponsored by local governments across the country, as well as evaluating public-private partnerships and utility sponsored programs. The final deliverable of the internship should be a designed workshop for local businesses and a toolkit of resources for business to implement EV charging infrastructure on-site. The intern will be expected to provide a presentation and final report to City of Bloomington staff and stakeholders in August.

The intern will work directly with the Assistant Director of Sustainability. Throughout the internship, the intern will also develop technical and project management skills beneficial to a career in local government, climate science, policy, environmental management and related fields.

About City of Bloomington Sustainability and Climate Action Programs:

ESD leads the strategic direction of City sustainability efforts, while also implementing sustainability and climate programs. In 2021, ESD project managed LEED for Cities and Communities certification by the U.S. Green Building Council, created a comprehensive framework for emissions reduction and resiliency through the Bloomington Climate Action Plan, and launched three new sustainability programs with Recover Forward funding to reduce building greenhouse gas emissions and grow the local food economy. The residential Bloomington Green Home Improvement Program (BGHIP), the Bloomington Nonprofit Solar and Energy Efficiency Loan Program (SEEL), and the launch of the Rose Hill Farm Stop have

utilized funds appropriated by Council to operationalize goals of the organization's plans to improve energy efficiency and improve local food access. Through these programs, ESD has directly engaged with a broad range of constituencies including neighborhoods, nonprofits, and with farmers to take action on climate and reduce the community's environmental impact.

Fellow Duties will include:

- Engage with community members and stakeholders to receive input and feedback
- Communicate with government agencies, industries, and local government officials to develop actionable emissions reduction goals
- Assist with other climate action projects depending on time and interest
- Participate in regular cohort webinars and conference calls
- Attend the Climate Fellows virtual bootcamp training, hosted by the Environmental Resilience Institute, May 16-20, 2022
- Attend weekly (virtual) "Lunch and Learn" sessions
- Submit weekly reports on Canvas over the course of the fellowship

Qualifications

- Prior coursework or research experience, preferably in a discipline applied to sustainability such as environmental science, environmental management, engineering, chemistry, environmental economics, or a related field
- Experience summarizing research in reports and presentations
- Effective written communication, especially for a public audience
- Exemplary verbal communication, including speaking publicly
- Self-motivated, proactive, and flexible with careful attention to detail
- Ability to prioritize and manage multiple ongoing tasks
- Experience coordinating events
- Equity mindset and an understanding of diversity, equity, and inclusion in climate
- Enthusiastic about climate action and sustainability

Compensation

Compensation will be in the form of a scholarship through the Environmental Resilience Institute. The Fellow will work full time for 10 weeks, beginning June 1st- August 10th.

Feedback and Evaluation

The Fellow will be given regular feedback from staff on progress and performance. Success in the fellowship will be determined by the completion of specified projects in a professional and timely manner. The Fellow should learn how this organization identifies its sustainability priorities, effective principles of communication, and how to develop and maintain professional relationships.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

The McKinney Climate Fellows and Resilience Cohort Programs support the continual advancement and development of diverse, inclusive, and equitable spaces. Indiana climate

change solutions should be equitable in implementation, and projects with equity considerations are encouraged to reduce climate change impacts on marginalized communities in the state.\

Application Process

To apply for this position, complete an application on the Environmental Resilience Institute's website. If you have questions about the program or any of the positions available, email Matt Flaherty, Implementation Manager @ flahertm@iu.edu. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis (first come, first serve) until Monday, February 14, 2022.