Community Organizer Description

TITLE: Lead Street Team Organizer

Status: Full Time

Salary: Contact PUSH Field Organizer Christian Parra, christian@pushbuffalo.org

Through the lens of PUSH Buffalo’s philosophy of working for a Just Transition in housing, joblessness, and oppression, the ideal candidate’s primary duties will include:

1. Regular community outreach for PUSH’s community work and campaigns. This outreach will include regular street canvassing, door to door knocking, phone calling, data entry, attending community events, attending meetings, and in other ways as directed by PUSH Buffalo’s Field Organizing Manager.
2. Using these modes of community outreach for PUSH Buffalo to build community relationships and bring new people into the organization.
3. Managing the plans to go out canvassing and Phone banking. Managing and checking in regularly with each member of PUSH Buffalo’s Street Team on the work that is being done.

The candidate should be able to speak English but possessing fluency in speaking other languages spoken in PUSH’s primary organizing area including Karin, Burmese, Thai, Arabic, Somali, Swahili, Spanish is very helpful. The candidate should have an above average ability to use a computer and the internet which includes knowledge of Microsoft Word. The candidate should be outgoing, comfortable with some public speaking, comfortable with meeting new people, and able to lift at least 50 lbs.

Candidate should have at a high school diploma or a GED. A bachelors or associates degree is not required but may be considered.
The ideal candidate should be adept at working with neighborhood residents and the Buffalo community to identify problems in the community to work to fight oppression by knocking on doors to build people power with the Street Team. The ideal candidate should be highly interested in creating a more diverse Push Buffalo by bringing the immigrant and refugee community into the social justice arena. The ideal candidate should be highly motivated to organize people in the community for leadership development for PUSH Buffalo’s membership Base. The ideal candidate will conduct regular meetings with people in the community to create strategies to stop oppression. The ideal candidate will have one on one meetings with community members and neighborhood residents to build networks of relationships and build community. The ideal candidate will organize the record keeping of the daily canvassing and other activities of the PUSH Buffalo Street Team.