

## Full Job Description

We are hiring passionate environmentalists and activists to help build grassroots momentum around environmental public advocacy campaigns! During election years, we work hard to do the same for strong progressive candidates at the local, state and federal level.

Clean Water Action is mobilizing our members to put pressure on the US Congress and Executive Branch to enact strong environmental and public health protections. We're also working on the local environmental fights happening right here in our state!

In this role, **you** will develop your professional organizing skills to build power for our grassroots campaigns on protection of rivers, lakes, and streams from industrial pollution, and getting the best candidates for the environment put in office.

One of Clean Water Action key goals is our commitment to justice, equity, diversity and inclusion. We are working to recognize and address ways in which racism has affected our organization. Taking steps to eliminate many forms of systematic oppression from our organization and its operations will aid our work to end racism in society. That is where **you** come in as a potential future member of our team.

You might be asking yourself, ***“Am I a good fit for this position at Clean Water Action?”*** So here's some information to help you determine if this is the next step in your professional career!

### Do you have:

- Strong verbal communication skills, especially with one-on-one interactions
- Good attention to detail
- Team-oriented attitude
- An interest in environmental or social justice issues, non-profit work, or politics

### Can you work:

- 2pm-9pm, Monday through Friday with a minimum commitment of 3 days a week

### Does this benefits package sound appealing to you:

- Starting rate of \$17/hr+ bonus
- Gain valuable experience in the non-profit sector
- Relaxed, fun and casual workplace culture
- Paid Training
- Flexible Scheduling
- Paid Sick Leave
- Get to know your local neighborhoods

- Outstanding benefits package available to permanent employees (includes paid health and dental insurance, life insurance, 401k plan, 2-3 weeks paid annual vacation, holiday, and sick leave.)

**Molly K. Ahern**

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Vivian Richard

134 Thurbers Ave Suite 118

Providence, RI 02905

Dear Ms. Richard,

I write this letter to express my interest in becoming an environmental policy advocate with Clean Water Action. I am a senior at the University of Rhode Island studying political science and environmental science. My goal post-graduation is to specialize in and advocate for environmentally friendly legislation. I want to use my time at Clean Water Action to demonstrate my communication and canvassing skills, broaden my knowledge of grassroots campaigning, and make connections with professionals in the environmental and political sectors.

I have a variety of skills that I can incorporate into my work as an environmental policy advocate. For instance, I have five years of experience in politics. I began canvassing in 2016 for Phil Murphy's gubernatorial campaign in New Jersey and continued to canvass in-person and over the phone throughout high school. This experience taught me how to communicate one-on-one with constituents in support of a goal. My courses in political science (State and Local Government, American Politics: Theories and Applications) have taught me about how legislation gets passed in Rhode Island and nationally. In 2017, 2018, and 2019, I aided a team of eight in planning and hosting Speak 5K, an event with over 500 attendees, to raise money for survivors of abuse in Somerset County, NJ. I demonstrated attention to detail by ensuring that roads were completely unobstructed to guarantee a smooth race. With my help, the nonprofit (Safe+Sound Somerset) raised over \$3000 each year.

In short, I would like to become an environmental policy advocate at Clean Water Action because I wish to learn more about how people, policy, and the environment work together. I would like to meet in person to discuss my qualifications and goals. I can be reached by phone at 908-635-0515 or by email at mollyahern26@gmail.com. I thank you kindly for your consideration and am eager to hear back soon.

Sincerely,

Molly Ahern

## Molly K. Ahern

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### Education

The University of Rhode Island, *Kingston, RI*

Graduate Certificate: GIS and Remote Sensing — *December 2023*

Bachelor of Art: Political Science — *May 2023*

Bachelor of Science: Environmental Science & Management — *May 2023*

GPA: 3.86/4.00, Centennial Scholarship, Honors College, Dean's List, Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society

### Coursework

Wetland Ecology and Management

Communicating Environmental Research

Ecohydrology and Green Design

Environmental Economics and Policy

Endangered Species Conservation

Watershed Hydrology and Management

State and Local Government

Conservation Biology

### Work Experience

Field/Lab Technician — *URI Watershed Watch, Providence, RI*

April 2021–present

- Testing water quality and collecting samples at four sites of high concern
- Computing water quality statistics for samples collected at over 700 locations statewide
- Providing local governments with information regarding water quality and protection strategies

Server — *Phil's Main Street Grille, Wakefield, RI*

September 2021–present

- Managing multiple tasks at once to meet guests' needs during rush times
- Collaborating with coworkers to provide a fulfilling experience to hundreds of customers per day
- Interacting personably with guests to gain repeat customers for the restaurant

Canvasser — *Somerset County Democrats, Somerville, NJ*

November 2015–July 2019

- Spoke one-on-one with constituents to determine voting behavior
- Collaborated with a team of fifty students to phone bank for Democratic candidates

### Leadership Experience

Chapter President — *BridgeUSA of URI, Kingston, RI*

December 2019–present

- Organizing guided political discussions to provide students with a fulfilling experience
- Leading a team of five officers in holding cross-chapter events with up to 300 participants
- Attending virtual and in-person summits to communicate chapter progress with a national team

Presenter — *Teach-in on Environmental Justice, Kingston, RI*

October 2019

- Prepared lesson plans for fellow students to educate them on environmental injustice
- Outlined the long-term effects of pollution on low-income communities using Google Slides

Organizer — *SPEAK 5K, Bridgewater, NJ*

April 2017, 2018, 2019

- Assisted a team of eight in organizing a teen-led 5K to raise over \$3000 annually for domestic abuse survivors
- Oversaw race safety for 300 participants and was praised for attention to detail