

Senior Child Nutrition Policy Analyst

Position Available

The Food Research & Action Center (FRAC), a nonprofit public policy, research, and advocacy organization that works to end hunger in the U.S., is seeking a Senior Child Nutrition Policy Analyst to support FRAC's work to expand participation in the child nutrition programs; to draft reports and analyze program data; to provide technical assistance; and to develop resources to support efforts to increase participation. The Senior Child Nutrition Policy Analyst will report to FRAC's Director of School and Out-of-School Time Programs. Currently, FRAC is operating remotely. When it is safe to return to the office, this position will require some in-person meetings and work.

The successful candidate will be able to analyze programmatic policy, data, and trends to support the implementation of best practices and proven strategies to increase low-income children's access to the Child Nutrition Programs. The ultimate goal is to ensure that millions more children are receiving the food they need, that families obtain the support such programs provide, that child nutrition policies contribute as much as possible to children's wellness, and that the nutrition programs support low-income children's educational achievement and health. The primary focus of this position will be on the School Breakfast Program and National School Lunch Program. This position offers opportunities to build upon the successful candidate's experience as a program analyst, expertise on the child nutrition programs, and to work in partnership with a wide range of national, state, and local schools, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies.

Organizational Background

FRAC works to improve the nutrition, health, and well-being of people struggling against poverty-related hunger in the United States through advocacy, partnerships, and by advancing bold and equitable policy solutions. To attain this mission, FRAC engages in research, policy analysis and advocacy, coalition-building, outreach, technical assistance and training, and an array of communications strategies. In partnership with hundreds of national, state and local nonprofit organizations, public agencies, corporations, schools, and labor organizations, FRAC addresses hunger and food insecurity, and poverty as their root cause.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Work with state agencies, schools, cities, counties, private nonprofits, and others to implement best practices that increase access to the child nutrition programs, with a primary focus on the school nutrition programs.
- Track and analyze child nutrition program policy, including national, state, and local initiatives.
- Write reports, policy briefs, fact sheets, guides, best practices, and other materials for a wide range of stakeholders.
- Draft statutory language and regulatory comments.
- Speak at meetings, conferences, and on webinars to diverse audiences and community leaders.
- Work with partner organizations to develop training and resources for their affiliates and members.
- Provide technical support to state and local anti-hunger advocates, schools, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies.
- Develop web-based resources for anti-hunger advocates, schools, policymakers, and other stakeholders.
- Strengthen and identify new opportunities for partnerships with school, education associations, and other key stakeholder organizations.
- Travel required.

Skills and Qualifications

- Three to five years of experience in advocacy, program operations, policy analysis, and/or organizing; experience with the school nutrition programs preferred.
- Ability to meet deadlines and achieve goals.
- Very strong writing, interpersonal, analytical, data, research, public speaking, and organizational skills.
- Proficient in Excel.
- Ability to work with a wide range of groups and individuals.
- Knowledge of the child nutrition programs and other government programs for low-income children preferred.
- Bachelors required; JD or MPP preferred.
- Commitment to working for social justice.
- Strong detail-oriented planning and implementation skills.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively.
- Unquestioned integrity, a high level of energy, and a sense of humor.
- Understanding of hunger and poverty and their impact upon communities, families, and individuals.

Salary/Benefits:

The starting salary for this position is \$64,000 and is commensurate with experience; excellent health, dental, vision, retirement, and other benefits; generous leave; enthusiastic and supportive staff.

To Apply

Click <u>here</u> to submit a resume, brief writing sample (no more than three pages), and cover letter providing a summary of accomplishments and experience.

No phone calls please.

Opening/Closing Dates

The position is available immediately. It will close when filled. However, FRAC seeks to hire a qualified individual as soon as possible.

FRAC is especially interested in candidates with lived expertise with hunger or poverty who can contribute to the diversity of the organization.

FRAC is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer. FRAC is firmly committed to a policy against discrimination based on age, gender, race, religious creed, sexual orientation, disability, or ethnic or national origin.