

## Missouri Health Care for All Story Bank Organizer



Missouri Health Care for All, a non-partisan, faith and community based grassroots movement committed to securing access to affordable, high-quality health care for all Missourians, is seeking a full-time Story Bank Organizer.

**About the Organization:** Missouri Health Care for All was founded on the principle that every Missourian should have access to quality affordable health care. We work with faith communities, community groups, service providers, people who need health care, and grassroots supporters statewide to advocate for these principles. We work to defend current health care programs and funding and to advance policies that improve access to care. We are actively working to become an anti-racist organization.

**Job Description:** Missouri Health Care for All's values and work inform our belief that stories are a critical tool for impacting change and improving health policy through centering the experience of impacted Missourians. The Story Bank Organizer is responsible for leading Missouri Health Care for All's statewide story bank program, as well as completing goals set forth in story collection. The Story Bank Organizer will identify and build relationships with Missourians whose experiences illustrate the need for health policy improvements.

In addition to collecting stories, the Story Bank Organizer will be responsible for engaging story tellers in sharing their stories. This will include recruiting story tellers to volunteer, speak with legislators, speak with reporters, and otherwise share their stories. The Story Bank Organizer will also work with other staff to create written and visual materials that highlight stories.

**Location:** This position is based in St. Louis, Missouri. Due to the COVID pandemic, this position will be working from home until it is safe to return to in-person work. At that time, the Story Bank Organizer would work from our office in St. Louis (exact location TBD). When it is safe to travel, this person would have frequent regional travel and periodic statewide travel (1-2 trips per month, average). Some trips will require an overnight stay.

**Reporting and Staffing Structure:** The Story Bank Organizer will report directly to Missouri Health Care for All's Organizing Director, based in St. Louis, Missouri. Other staff are based in St. Louis, Joplin, Springfield, Festus, Kansas City, and Jefferson City, Missouri.

### Major Responsibilities:

- Lead Missouri Health Care for All's statewide story bank program.
- Amplify organizing and advocacy efforts through the strategic deployment of health care stories in various campaigns and efforts across the organization.
- Improve and implement program structure to identify people with personal stories. Sources will include partner organizations, outreach events, phone calls, social media and other means.
- Create and deepen relationships with partner organizations to aid in the identification of Story Bank participants.
- Set up and conduct interviews with Missourians with health care stories, especially Missourians who are uninsured or who use Medicaid.
- Maintain database of collected stories for storage and retrieval.

- Facilitate and support story collection with MHCFA's staff of regional organizers.
- Work with Communications Manager to create written materials, including story summaries, social media posts, and storybooks.
- Assist with statewide organizing activities such as in-Capitol Lobby Days, including inviting and supporting story tellers who can attend.
- Other duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**

We are seeking candidates who excel in **authentic connection, relationship-building, networking**, and have strong **project management** skills. The ideal candidate will also have the following skills and experiences:

- Passion for Missouri Health Care for All's mission of *quality, affordable health care for all people*
- Strong grounding in values and ethics and an ability to connect values to health care
- Strong ability to analyze social power and identify structural oppression and privilege
- Commitment to anti-racist work, and enthusiasm about participating in organizational efforts to become an anti-racist organization
- Ability to connect authentically on deeply personal issues with people from diverse backgrounds
- Connections to and relationships within the local community
- Ability to tell compelling stories
- Ability to plan work to meet numeric goals and deadlines
- Ability to work collaboratively with MHCFA's regional grassroots organizers and other staff
- Basic computer skills and ability to learn new software programs
- Reliable transportation and driver's license
- Experience with electronic databases and creating digital and audiovisual content is a plus but not required

**Salary and Benefits:**

Salary of \$39,140 per year, increasing to \$40,640 on 1/1/21. Benefits include generous health, dental and vision insurance; generous vacation and sick leave; paid holidays; paid parental leave; and retirement plan. Intangible benefits include great coworkers, a growing and thriving organization, and an opportunity to make a difference.

**To Apply:**

Please send cover letter and resume to Chelsea Berkhout at [chelsea@mohealthcareforall.org](mailto:chelsea@mohealthcareforall.org). Please use "Story Bank Organizer" as your subject line.

Zoom interviews will be conducted on a rolling basis until the position is filled. For greatest consideration, please submit your application by Wednesday, October 21.

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*People of color, people with disabilities, and members of other minority groups are encouraged to apply.*