

Wisconsin Organizing Fellowship Program Launched

Now that we are rolling into the summer months our organizing program will be picking up steam as we build and maintain volunteer teams throughout the state! The main thrust of our program this summer will be what we are calling “bridge-building canvassing” in which we will engage voters throughout our communities about the issues that are most important to them. Additionally, we will focus on advocating for important local issues such as Medicaid Expansion that are currently being debated in the State Legislature. Anyone with questions on the finer details of this plan is welcome to email me!

Within our summer organizing plan we are also putting enormous emphasis on recruiting organizing fellows to help us achieve our outreach goals in individual communities. Fellowships are a great way to learn more about grassroots community organizing, and equip participants with countless practical and professional skills that are applicable across a wide field of professional and social experiences. Many folks who currently work in politics, as well as other fields, in the state and country have begun as organizing fellows (me included!). While I’m aware that oftentimes fellowships are marketed to high school and college students, our program is open to anyone, regardless of age, background or experience. In fact, I encourage anyone to apply who is interested in learning more about engaging their community and strengthening the progressive fabric in Wisconsin!

Fellowships can start at any time and the duration is very flexible. The weekly time commitment is fairly flexible as well, with options for part-time starting between 17-20 hours per week and ranging all the way to a full time, 40 hour per week program. Anyone interested in applying can find the application link listed below, and anyone with questions about the program is more than welcome to send me an email! My contact information is also listed below.

<https://www.wisdems.org/about/organizing-fellowship-with-the-dpw>

I am so excited to continue organizing in Eau Claire this summer and working to build a strong volunteer foundation for 2020! I hope to see you soon around the Resource Center, until then let’s keep building teams and strengthening the progressive fabric of Wisconsin!

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