

Part-time Independent Contractor Opportunity: Campus Organizer University of Montana, Missoula

American Rivers seeks an independent contractor to serve as a part-time campus organizer that will coordinate on-campus and Missoula-based outreach efforts for our Northern Rockies office. The contractor will help build support for our campaign to gain new protections for rivers flowing across public and private lands in western Montana, with a focus on the Clark Fork and Flathead watersheds. The contractor will primarily work with the Northern Rockies Conservation Associate based in Victor, MT, but will also work in coordination with other members of our Northern Rockies team. The contractor will work from his or her home or campus office in Missoula, MT but there may be opportunities to travel throughout the Clark Fork and/or Flathead Basins in support of the work. This is an excellent opportunity to work with a talented, highenergy team of conservation professionals who are passionate about protecting Montana's rivers.

PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Coordinate a campus based endorsement drive, soliciting support for our Citizen's Proposal for more Wild and Scenic Rivers in western Montana. See: <u>http://healthyriversmt.org/our-proposal</u>
- Table at various events on campus or in the Missoula community and at relevant events sponsored by student organizations (e.g., student chapter of American Fisheries Society, Montana Wilderness Association, etc.)
- Coordinate presentations, meetings and campus events to build support and educate students about our Wild and Scenic Rivers campaign, efforts to protect the Smith River from a proposed copper mine, and other river advocacy efforts
- Assist the Northern Rockies team in planning and staffing other special events in Missoula
- Assist with implementing social media strategies to reach more students and members of the public
- Develop outreach materials geared towards students and the campus community

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

• Pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in environmental studies, political science, communications or a related field at the University of Montana in Missoula

- Experience or interest in working with/volunteering for a non-profit organization
- Passion for protecting rivers, with interest and experience in conservation
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Enjoyment with direct outreach, social and personal interaction with the University of Montana and greater Missoula community
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Experience organizing activities or events

SALARY AND BENEFITS:

Preferred start and end dates are January 23rd 2017 – May 20th 2017 (the length of spring semester respectively). Contract wages are \$2,500 based on approximately 10-12 hours a week over the course of the semester and based upon achieving the deliverables of the contract.

Travel reimbursement and benefits are not included with this position.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Interested parties should submit a résumé and one-page cover letter to: <u>kherron@americanrivers.org</u>. For questions please call Kascie Herron at (406) 546-2316. **The deadline to apply is Friday, December 30, 2016.**

For more information about American Rivers, please visit www.americanrivers.org.