



River Advocate Position at MCE

Apply by **September 30, 2019** by sending a cover letter, resume, and contact information for 2 references to Maisah Khan at mkhan@moenviron.org.

The Missouri Coalition for the Environment (MCE) is seeking an enthusiastic, energetic “River Advocate” to amplify the voices of river communities all along the Missouri River. We anticipate this position will require an average weekly commitment between 10- 20 hours and may be part-time, hourly, or on a contract-basis.

The River Advocate will enjoy building relationships and engaging directly with people in river communities. The River Advocate will build up a base of activated community members, and they will know how to mobilize those supporters to show their support during key moments. The River Advocate may have to mobilize their networks quickly and with short turnaround times (for example, educating people about specific issues during Missouri’s legislative session).

A few examples of River Advocate’s duties :

- Plan regular, reoccurring informal community events (community dinners, happy hours, potlucks, etc.) that will bring together diverse members of the community interested in taking action to protect water quality in Missouri
- Establish relationships with local residents and community leaders
- Find opportunities to table on behalf of MCE at large events (such as Earth Day Festivals, river races, or clean-ups)
- Create content for a social media account on a weekly basis, and create public-facing content (blog posts, letters to the editor, etc.) as needed on priority water and river issues
- Mobilize supporters and activists to show their support during key moments
- Become a respected representative of water issues and community action on the ground

You might be a good fit if you:

- Believe Missouri’s rivers and waterways are worth protecting
- Have experience talking about water, river, or environmental issues - at school, at work, or as a hobby
- Have experience organizing (knocking on doors, making phone calls) to gather a group of people around a common goal
- Are comfortable asking members of the general public to sign a petition, fill out a postcard, or write a letter-to-the-editor on an important water issue
- Don’t mind working remotely from other MCE colleagues
- Don’t mind working on nights and weekends since community events and meetings are most likely to happen outside of regular business hours
- Bonus: You already consider yourself a “river rat,” live in a river community, or are actively engaged in community issues along the Missouri River.