COMMUNITIES FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT (CBE)

LEGAL FELLOW POSITION AVAILABLE

CBE seeks applicants for a Legal Fellow in its Los Angeles office. The position is full-time for one year, beginning immediately.

CBE is an environmental health and justice organization that combines grassroots organizing, legal advocacy, and science-based research to achieve its goals. CBE’s mission is to build power in communities of color and low-income communities to achieve environmental health and justice by reducing pollution and building healthy and sustainable communities. Most of our legal work focuses on energy (both transition to alternative energy and phasing out fossil fuel dependence) and improving communities in California’s urban communities through more effective and sustainable land use and air pollution regulation. (Visit our website: www.cbecal.org).

Legal Fellow

Essential Responsibilities:
- Prosecute environmental lawsuits in state and federal courts on behalf of CBE;
- Represent CBE at hearings in courts and before various administrative agencies responsible for enforcing federal, state and local environmental and energy laws;
- Engage in public education and outreach to promote CBE and CBE’s legal work;
- Attend and provide support at community meetings with CBE staff and members;
- Work with CBE interns.

Minimum Qualifications:
- 0-3 years relevant legal experience, including litigation experience;
- California Bar Membership, or anticipated;
- Working knowledge of California and federal environmental law;
- Demonstrated commitment to environmental justice;
- Excellent legal writing and public speaking skills;
- Spanish language skills preferred;
- Willingness to travel in California and work frequent evenings and some weekends.

Preference will be given to applicants with experience in public interest work, the environmental movement, civil rights, community organizing, scientific training, and/or personal history with communities highly impacted by pollution.

Salary: Commensurate with other California legal non-profits.

Submit via email to legalcandidates@gmail.com with subject “Legal Fellow [last name].” Position open until filled.

CBE is an equal opportunity employer that does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, disability, gender, nationality, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or any other prohibited category. We strongly encourage people of color, women, and all qualified persons to apply for this position.