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Two Grant-Funded Positions Available at The Arc of Texas—Apply Today!

ADVOCACY COORDINATOR

The Advocacy Coordinator is responsible for coordinating and implementing The Arc's Leadership Development & Advocacy Skills Training Grant, a grant funded by the Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities for up to three years. Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- the development of curriculum and other materials on the history and philosophy of the disability movement, public policy and legislative processes, effective advocacy skills including public speaking and providing testimony, various disability policy issues, and more;
- providing training, support and technical assistance;
- organizing and mobilizing local communities to educate policy makers and impact public policy issues;
- networking and coalition building;
- scheduling travel, meetings and trainings;
- evaluating grant activities and developing quarterly reports for the funding agency; and,
- providing continuous education and advocacy support for advocates through statewide training and advocacy activities, web-based training and use of a web-based Action Center.

Minimum of bachelor's degree in human services or related field required. The individual must have experience in community organizing, volunteer recruitment, legislative advocacy and training, research and writing. Persons with experience in the disability field are encouraged to apply. The position is grant-funded on an annual basis for up to three years. The salary is \$38,500 per year with excellent paid benefits. Send resume on or before January 31, 2012, Attention: Advocacy Coordinator to resume@thearcoftexas.org.

More Information about the Grant: The purpose of the grant is to build grassroots advocacy capacity by partnering with local chapters of The Arc and other local groups to provide training and ongoing support to mobilize and organize self advocates, families and allies to use their voices to empower communities and create meaningful change. The grant will develop curriculum based on nationally accredited organizing strategies, provide training (including train-the-trainer) and ongoing technical assistance to ensure local groups can implement and sustain advocacy efforts. The grant will provide advocates with the skills and power to take collective action on their own behalf, win concrete improvements in their lives, and shift current relations of power. The grant will be implemented in four key communities (Austin, San Antonio, the Rio Grande Valley and Amarillo/Central Plains Region).

SELF-ADVOCACY COORDINATOR

The Self-Advocacy Coordinator is responsible for coordinating and implementing the Texas Advocates' Leadership Development & Advocacy Skills Training Grant, a grant funded by the Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities for up to three years.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- the development of curriculum and other materials on the history and philosophy of the disability movement, self advocacy and self determination;
- supporting and training self advocates to speak up for themselves on real life issues (i.e. transition, employment);
- providing training, support and technical assistance;

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- promoting partnerships and peer support;
- scheduling travel, meetings and trainings;
- evaluating grant activities and developing quarterly reports for the funding agency; and,
- providing continuous education and advocacy support for advocates through statewide training and advocacy activities, web-based training and use of a web-based Action Center.

Minimum of bachelor's degree in human services or related field required. The individual must have experience in self advocacy, volunteer recruitment and training, research and writing. Persons with experience in the disability field are encouraged to apply. The position is grant-funded on an annual basis for up to three years. The salary is \$38,500 per year with excellent paid benefits. Send resume on or before January 31, 2012, Attention: Self Advocacy Coordinator to resume@thearcoftexas.org.

More Information about the Grant: The purpose of the grant is to train and support State Supported Living Center (SSLC) residents and community organizations so that self advocate voices are engaged to create change for themselves and their community. The grant will provide trainings for Austin and San Antonio SSLC and the Rio Grande State Center with community participants on the history of the disability movement, self determination, self advocacy and public policy issues. The grant will teach and support self advocates to speak up for themselves on real life issues.