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## **Director of Government Relations**

The National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV), a national organization dedicated to creating a social, political and economic environment in which violence against women no longer exists, is seeking a **Director of Government Relations** to work alongside our Director of Public Policy and policy team to represent the needs of domestic violence survivors and their advocates before Congress, the White House, and various federal agencies, including DOJ, HHS, and HUD.

This includes: (1) adoption and/or reauthorization of laws, policies and regulations to broadly enhance safety and economic empowerment for victims and survivors; (2) attainment of funding to support core and emerging survivor-focused advocacy and services; (3) collaboration with governmental, non-profit and corporate stakeholders to holistically address domestic violence and its intersecting issues; and (4) provision of accurate information and resources to guide public discourse.

### **POSITION:**

This is a full-time, hands-on, Washington D.C. based, exempt position reporting to NNEDV's President and CEO and serving as a co-leader of the Public Policy team with the Director of Public Policy. The Government Relations Director will be responsible for the organization's successful relationships with federal partners, and jointly responsible for the overall accomplishment of policy initiatives and impact, including developing bold and innovative strategies for success.

### **CANDIDATE:**

The Government Relations Director will be an ambassador for the organization and will have and build relationships within the Congress and the administration, as well as in federal agencies, will increase their understanding of domestic violence, and will work to advance the organization's mission with those bodies. This role would suit an individual of outstanding ability and integrity with at least eight years' solid experience in the field.

Applicants must have extensive experience in the federal legislative and executive processes, successful experience advocating for and negotiating legislation and policies, and working in a bipartisan manner with both the legislative and executive branches. Must be willing and able to register as a lobbyist and report accordingly.

Excellent written and verbal communication skills, demonstrated leadership, flexibility, a sense of humor, the ability to work quickly and nimbly under pressure, and an ardent respect for domestic violence survivors are all essential qualifications for this position.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES:**

*Congress, the White House and Federal Government Agencies*

- Building and maintaining strong relationships with the Administration, relevant Congressional committees, Members of Congress and their staffs, as well as with related federal administrative agencies, policymakers and personnel.

- Leading efforts to increase Congress' and the Administration's commitment to and investment in ending violence against women.
- Promoting passage and reauthorization of strong violence against women laws like VAWA, FVPSA, and VOCA, as well as other laws to enhance victim empowerment, safety and economic security, and opposing or amending legislation, policies and practices that may be harmful to survivors.
- Employing cross-issue and intersectional analysis to evaluate the impact of legislation and regulations on victims of domestic violence.
- Understanding and responding to emerging issues.
- Providing timely information, fact sheets, testimony, reports, letters and other communications to Congress and the Administration, and helping to raise awareness of policy issues.

#### *Coalitions and Local Shelters/Programs*

- Collaborating with state & territory domestic violence coalitions to build understanding in Congress and the Administration of domestic violence victims' needs.
- Advocating for national solutions that allow meaningful regional, state, local and community-specific approaches to ending domestic violence.
- Engaging coalition and program leadership, as appropriate, to reach common goals.

#### *NNEDV Colleagues and Staff*

- Supporting and working alongside NNEDV's Public Policy Director and policy team to meet robust policy goals.
- Working with NNEDV's President and staff to reach the organization's substantive goals.
- Participating in fundraising, grant advocacy and proposal-writing for policy related projects.
- Contributing to the stewardship of organizational ethos, both internally and externally, promoting a culture of high performance, cross-team collaboration, continuous improvement and a commitment to quality.

#### **LOCATION, SALARY, & BENEFITS:**

This position offers a flexible and collegial working environment in our new offices on Thomas Circle in downtown Washington, DC, near McPherson Square Metro. Modest travel required.

The anticipated salary range, based on qualifications and experience is \$89,000 - \$105,000 annually.

NNEDV pays the entire cost for each employee's Health, Dental, Life, and Short-Term and Long-Term Disability Insurances. NNEDV contributes 3% to each employee's 401k retirement plan (no match required). NNEDV also provides 17 paid holidays (including the last full week of each year), three weeks of annual leave, and 10 days of sick leave each year. NNEDV offers vision insurance at nominal cost.

#### **TO APPLY:**

Please email your (a) cover letter, (b) resume, and (c) salary expectations to Kim Gandy, NNEDV President & CEO, at: PolicyJob@nnedv.org. Please also paste your cover letter into the body of the email. (*No mail or faxes please.*) The position will remain open until filled, but priority will be given to applications received on or before April 22, 2017.

**NNEDV is an equal opportunity employer and we encourage your application to join our highly accomplished team!**