

# NETWORK is rooted in Catholic Social Justice and the lived experience of real people. We are open to all who share our passion.

### 2021 Summer Student Volunteer

Temporary, Part-Time, Virtual

**About NETWORK:** A national network of social justice advocates — and the organization behind Nuns on the Bus — NETWORK educates, organizes, and lobbies for economic and social transformation. Founded in 1971 by Catholic sisters in the progressive spirit of Vatican II, we value women's leadership, we appreciate people from religious and secular backgrounds, we affirm members of the LGBTQ+ community, and we engage in the ongoing work to become a multicultural anti-racist organization.

#### What you'll be doing:

Depending on your work hours (10-20 hours/week, 4-6 weeks depending on your availability), your interests, and the current needs of the teams, you will be asked to contribute to various projects. Your tasks could include:

*Government Relations:* Help with policy research, blog writing, memo drafting, setting up virtual meetings, materials creation, metrics, documentation, and legislative tracking. Areas of special interest:

- Restorative justice
- Democracy, including H.R. 1 For The People Act, and DC Statehood
- Healthcare and economic justice

*Communications:* Help with NETWORK social media and blog writing, especially holiday and anniversary posts. Looking for a strong communicator and creative thinker with a passion for justice!

- · Write blogs, and draft social media
- Design graphics (if you have graphic design interest)
- Research data and use NETWORK messaging to create compelling arguments online

#### Issues we work on:

See next page for a summary of our Build Anew Agenda. A volunteer will have an opportunity to work on one or more of these policy areas, depending on what is happening in Congress and the Administration.

#### What it's like working at NETWORK:

Rooted in Catholic Social Justice, NETWORK is open to all who share our passion for justice. Staff and members are people from a variety of religious and nonreligious backgrounds. As an organization and workplace, NETWORK values work-life balance and strives to be a supportive workplace environment where staff embrace the "Sister-Spirit" of our foundresses by rooting our understanding in encounter, not ideology; prioritizing the well-being of others; seeing everyone as people first, not just roles; and using humor and being feisty in order to be bold and do the unpopular. Read More.

#### How to apply:

Complete the form at <a href="www.networklobby.org/studentvolunteer">www.networklobby.org/studentvolunteer</a>. Make sure to let us know how we can collaborate with providing evaluations for academic credit or fellowships, and what your timelines are for making decisions. Questions? Email us at <a href="mailto:employment@networklobby.org">employment@networklobby.org</a>

It is the policy of NETWORK to conduct all personnel activities in a manner that will ensure equal opportunity for all persons without regard to religion, race, creed, gender, color, age, national origin, marital status, veteran status, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression. Every employee has the right to work in dignity in an environment free from all forms of discrimination or harassment.



In a world of growing economic disparity and increasing individualism, we call for federal policies that dismantle systemic racism, eliminate the wealth and income gap, improve the wellbeing of our communities, and allow all people to thrive — especially those most often left out: women, people of color, people on the economic margins, and those at the intersections of these identities.

Emerging from encounter with families and communities across the United States, the **Build Anew Agenda** is a pathway to realizing our vision of a just and inclusive society.

## **Cornerstones to Build Our Country Anew**

- 🍀 Dismantle Systemic Racism
- Cultivate Inclusive Community
- Root Our Economy in Solidarity
- Transform Our Politics

# **Policy Areas to Build Anew**

We build our country anew by prioritizing racial equity, caring for the Earth, and improving the wellbeing of all people and communities through legislative advocacy for:



Despite our divisions, we proclaim that all people in the United States, together, make up one single community. Pope Francis says, "Hope would have us recognize that there is always a way out, that we can always redirect our steps, that we can always do something to solve our problems." In this hope, we can, and we must, build anew.

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