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Summary:

The Alliance for a Better Community (ABC) is seeking an energetic and intelligent individual to serve as its Community Organizer for JUGAR (Joint Use Generating Activity and Recreation) Boyle Heights Initiative. As part of the JUGAR Boyle Heights Initiative, ABC are working to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic by increasing access to safe, attractive recreation spaces at specific schools sites in Boyle Heights.

To meet this goal, ABC will engage students, parents, and community-based organizations to advocate for physical activity and healthy eating, develop joint use agreements, and increase understanding among community-based organizations, local civic leaders and policymakers of the process and benefits of establishing joint use agreements to support physical activity and healthy eating.

The Parent Organizer will be responsible for engaging and developing relationships with parents and students to lead advocacy and engagement efforts on school campuses to address the immediate and unique needs of the Boyle Heights community.

The Alliance for a Better Community is a coalition of organizations and civic leaders promoting equity for Latinos in education, health, economic development and civic participation throughout the Los Angeles region.

Major responsibilities:

1. Work with ABC's Health Policy Coordinator to



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develop strategies for engaging parents,
administration, and other key stakeholders.

2. Reach out to relevant school leaders, parents,
students, and community based organizations to
build a substantial parent capacity.

3. Develop materials and work with partner
organizations with existing materials to ensure
Boyle Heights residents are aware and understand
the purpose and benefits of joint use agreements.

4. Coordinate the efforts to establish Parent and
Students Health Taskforces at target schools sites
to lead advocacy and engagement efforts.

5. Facilitate Health Taskforce meetings to
effectively invest parents and students on
community health issues and to identify key health
concerns.

6. Build strong relationships with parents and
students with the intention of developing leaders to
advocate for and provide input on strategies to
implement healthy change and transformational
reform that supports the establishment of joint use
agreements at target school sites.

7. Represent parent interest at key stakeholder
meetings through thoughtfully articulating parent
concerns, suggestions, and views regarding healthy
communities.

Qualifications:

1. Education: Bachelor's degree preferred but not
required.

2. Contextual Experience: Minimum of two years
experience working with parents and/or parent
groups. Must understand the importance of healthy
eating and physical activity for overall community
health.

3. Community Knowledge: Substantial knowledge
of the Latino community and the Pico Union and
Boyle Heights neighborhoods including:
demographics, landscape, assets, and needs.

4. Leadership Skills: Effectiveness in organizing
and investing adults and students around a central

initiative.

5. Team Building Skills: Able to work independently, within a team environment and lead collaborative efforts to accomplish goals and objectives.

6. Communications Skills: Superior interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills, able to communicate in both Spanish and English (required), basic Microsoft Office skills.

Salary: Based on Experience

Scope: Full-time position available immediately

Send resumes and cover letter

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