



Cook Inletkeeper Energy Organizer

Dates: Position open until filled, ideal start date between October to mid November.

Supervisor: Kaitlin Vadla, Central Peninsula Regional Director

Contact: Quentin Simeon, Co-Executive Director: Operations Lead | quentin@inletkeeper.org

Hours & Compensation: 40 hrs/wk | \$45,000 annual salary with PTO, health and retirement benefits

Location: Soldotna, AK, working out of Cook Inletkeeper's Community Action Studio

Background: Cook Inletkeeper, founded in 1995, is a 501(c)3 Alaska nonprofit organization working to protect the Cook Inlet | Tikahtnu watershed and the life it sustains. Our staff lives and works on Dena'ina and Sugpiaq lands surrounding Tikahtnu in Soldotna and Homer.

The Energy Organizer position will add capacity to our Energy Transition program, which aims to accelerate the transition to an equitable, renewable energy future in the Cook Inlet watershed. The Energy Organizer will primarily organize around Homer Electric Association (HEA), which supplies electricity to nearly all homes and businesses on the western Kenai Peninsula and is governed by nine directors elected by HEA's rate-payers.

Position Summary: Cook Inletkeeper is hiring a full-time energy organizer to mobilize support for renewable energy leadership, projects and policy on the Kenai Peninsula. This position is currently funded for 6 months with the intent to secure further funding to make it permanent and year round.

Focusing particularly on the communities of Kenai, Nikiski, Soldotna, and Sterling, the Energy Organizer will lead our voter engagement efforts to advance renewable champions during the annual spring HEA Board of Directors elections. Outside of election season, this position will organize to advance local clean energy projects and policies, primarily within the electric co-op. This role also works closely with organizers from partner organizations working toward similar goals across the road system.

The Energy Organizer will work with our Lower Inlet Organizer and Energy Policy Analyst to:

- Build a base of voters and volunteers to advance clean energy projects and leaders.
- Elect pro-renewable candidates to the Homer Electric Association Board of Directors.
- Educate and activate HEA members to engage with energy issues through the co-op public decision-making process.
- Hold HEA directors accountable for building real energy solutions that stabilize rates, create jobs, and build clean energy infrastructure.

Qualifications: The ideal candidate will be a skilled networker with an outgoing personality and strong organizational skills. Ideally this person identifies as a people person and has a tolerance for respectful disagreement. Campaign or organizing experience is preferred. The position does not require expertise in energy or cooperatives.

To apply, please send a resume, cover letter, and two references to Quentin Simeon, Cook Inletkeeper Operations Director, at quentin@inletkeeper.org