

Save the Post Office Coalition Spring 2021 Internship

The Take on Wall Street campaign is helping to coordinate a larger coalition to secure financial relief for USPS, reverse Postmaster General Louis DeJoy's politically motivated postal service cuts and price hikes, and expand the post office's ability to serve white, Black and brown communities. This is a critical moment to stop the Post Office from being privatized, and instead, reinvent it as a hub for the services our communities desperately need, like postal banking, rural broadband, expanded vote-by-mail, and others.

The Save the Post Office Coalition came together in summer 2020, soon after DeJoy began sabotaging the post office with service cuts and mail slowdowns. The coalition includes over 300 member organizations that range from national groups like Public Citizen, ACLU, Indivisible, the American Postal Workers Union, Color of Change, VoteVets, NAACP, and MoveOn, to state groups like Mainers for Accountable Leadership, Alaska PIRG, and Kentuckians for the Commonwealth.

The Save the Post Office Coalition is staffed by Take on Wall Street, a project of Americans for Financial Reform (AFR) that seeks to build a financial system for white, Black, and brown working people, not big Wall Street banks. We draw on this core mission in our efforts to save the post office, since privatization of public goods is central to the Wall Street playbook.

We are looking for an intern to join this fight for the spring semester. If you fit the bill, we'd love to hear from you!

Responsibilities:

- Help coordinate a large and diverse coalition and develop, maintain and share campaign resources
- Support fast-paced advocacy, digital, and communications tactics to save the Post Office
- Schedule and attend meetings with coalition members, policymakers, and other stakeholders
- Conduct outreach to state and local partners on grassroots and grasstops mobilization and advocacy strategies
- Provide virtual logistics support for a variety of coalition activities, including petition deliveries, stunts/actions, briefings, Congressional hearings, etc.

Qualifications:

Ideal candidates will have a strong commitment to racial and gender justice

- Knowledge and experience with Twitter and Facebook platforms, and ideally a website content management system, like Wordpress
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- High proficiency with general office software (Google suite, Microsoft Word, Excel)
- We are also looking for someone who is detail oriented, has solid judgement and good relationship-building skills, and a sense of humor

Take on Wall Street offers a compensation of \$15/hour, together with stimulating, soul-satisfying work and a crash course in public-interest advocacy, racial equity, financial regulation, communications, and coalition building. Academic credit is available.

Preference will be given to applicants who can work full-time for at least 8 weeks. This is a great opportunity for individuals seeking to enter the nonprofit advocacy world.

Covid Location Adjustment

Due to COVID-19, this internship will be virtual, and meetings and orientation will take place via video. As such, candidates are expected to have access to a computer and reliable internet connection. The coalition's host, Americans for Financial Reform (AFR), has a well-developed internship program, enriching the experience for all the interns who work here. AFR is an equal opportunity employer and encourages applicants who will contribute to the diversity of our staff.

How to apply:

Please send a resume and a short cover letter explaining your interest in the Save the Post Office Coalition and the dates of your availability to internships@ourfinancialsecurity.org with the subject line "Save the Post Office Coalition Spring 2021 Internship."