

**The Safe Routes to School National Partnership is Hiring
In California, Florida, Mississippi, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio and
Tennessee**

Help us find seven high-quality State Advocacy Organizers

The Safe Routes to School National Partnership is looking for seven energetic and dynamic professionals (one per state) to work as state advocacy organizers in California, Florida, Mississippi, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio and Tennessee. [Applications](#) are due on Thursday, February 2nd, at 5:00 p.m. PT. The California position begins February 13, 2012 and the other six positions begin on March 1, 2012.

Summary: The state advocacy organizer builds, strengthens and maintains a state network of diverse organizations, public agencies and partners to achieve the following three main policy objectives:

- 1) Leverage funding for bicycle and pedestrian construction projects, including the award and obligation of federal Safe Routes to School and Transportation Enhancements funds.
- 2) Facilitate additional street-scale improvements through the adoption of Complete Streets policies, design guidelines that support active transportation, and other mechanisms at state, regional and local levels.
- 3) Advance joint-use agreements through state level policies and agreements between cities and school districts.

All policies must benefit lower-income communities and are intended to improve the built environment and increase physical activity to help reverse childhood obesity.

The organizer will possess strong skills in recruiting and organizing network partners and building action teams to achieve the three main policy objectives. He or she will also be responsible for ensuring sustainability of the project and position by securing on-going funding for 2014 and beyond.

Required qualifications for these positions include: a bachelor's degree; knowledge of Safe Routes to School, transportation and/or health issues; a minimum of two years proven success in an advocacy/communications position; ability to be an effective fundraiser; experience in public speaking; and strong communication and writing skills. A full description of job responsibilities and qualifications is [available](#).

Successful candidates will work from their home office within proximity to the capital region of the identified state. The salary for this position is in the range of \$48,000 to \$52,000, depending on experience, plus benefits. Please refer to the [job announcement](#) for specific details on applying. Telephone inquiries are not accepted.

The [Safe Routes to School National Partnership](#) was founded in 2005 and is a network of more than 550 organizations. The National Partnership is hosted by the non-profit Bikes Belong Foundation, and its mission is to advocate for safe walking and bicycling to and from schools, and in daily life, to improve the health and well-being of America's children and to foster the creation of livable, sustainable communities. Bikes Belong Foundation is an equal opportunity employer.

Please forward this announcement to prospective candidates! Thank you.