



Organizations: YWCA Olympia and Pizza Klatch

About Pizza Klatch: Pizza Klatch is a support group for LGBTQ+ youth and their allies that is held in classrooms during lunchtime at 15 participating high schools. Each group is run by two trained adult co-facilitators who are members of the LGBTQ+ community or allies. Facilitators are mandatory reporters and are responsible for maintaining an inclusive, supportive, confidential environment safe from physical harm or emotional attacks for all participants. Groups are led by the needs of the youth participants, making each group unique.

About YWCA Olympia: YWCA is a Center for Healing in Community, Antiracist Education and Participant-Led Advocacy. We are actively striving to center Black and Indigenous Womxn & Womxn of Color. We see womxn as inclusive, fluid and based on self-identity. Staff and board members are committed to providing community building, antiracist education and participant-led advocacy opportunities for youth, adults and community organizations. All staff positions are aligned with and support YWCA's values: Centering Black and Indigenous Womxn & Womxn of Color, People Over Systems, Accountability, and Collective Care.

Position Title: Thurston County ACI (Anchor Communities Initiative) Youth and Community Engagement Coordinator

SUMMARY OF POSITION: Pizza Klatch and YWCA Olympia are partnering together to support an ACI Youth & Community Engagement Coordinator position as part of a county-wide collaborative effort: Anchor Community Initiative Thurston County, which is an initiative of A Way Home Washington focused on ending youth homelessness. While more than a dozen local organizations are engaged in ACI, other core partners include Community Youth Services, TOGETHER! and Thurston County.

The Youth and Community Engagement Coordinator ("Y&C Engagement Coordinator") at YWCA Olympia & Pizza Klatch will support Thurston County in engaging youth and young adults as well as by/for agencies, specifically local LGBTQ+ and POC organizations, to end youth homelessness.

GOALS AND ESSENTIAL RESPONSIBILITIES: The ACI Youth & Community Engagement Coordinator will be responsible for:

- Dedicating 20 hours per week to achieving the ACI "Youth Voice Gold Standard" including but not limited to:
 - Recruitment and engagement of young people/young adults ages 12-24 with experience of homelessness;
 - Ensuring high-quality youth participation in ACI Core team and community team meetings;

- Participating in ACI workgroups and subcommittees;
- Issuing and delivering stipend payments to young people participating in ACI work;
- And supervising the group of young people informing the work otherwise known as the “YAB” or “Youth Action/Advisory Board”.
- Dedicating 20 hours per week to By/For engagement, including but not limited to recruitment and engagement of by/for agencies working to end youth homelessness, with a specific focus on LGBTQ+ and/or POC youth and young adults in the county.
- Participating in at least one monthly meeting with the Youth Engagement Coaching Manager.
- Attending the monthly ACI Youth Engagement strategy meeting
- Supporting the YAB to identify improvement projects for each ACI reducing goal
- Attending lead calls, core improvement team meetings, and community teams meetings
- Tracking and reporting stipend expenditures to the ACI Program Operations Coordinator on a monthly basis.
- Uplifting the concerns of YYA and By/For organizations for each phase of work. - Coordinating and organizing YAB meetings which includes but not limited to providing food, snacks and other supplies needed for facilitating and engaging young people in meetings.

HOURS & WORK LOCATION: The Y&C Engagement Coordinator is a 40-hour per week position. Flexible work schedule options will be necessary in order to be responsive to youths’ scheduling needs. Attendance will be required at occasional evening, early morning and/or weekend events. This position will primarily be housed at either Pizza Klatch or YWCA Olympia and will work closely with staff from both organizations.

RATE OF PAY/BENEFITS: This is a 40-hour per week position with an hourly pay rate of pay at \$21.20. Full benefits package is provided: health, dental and vision. After two years of employment, eligible employees are enrolled in YWCA’s Retirement Fund with employer contributions made monthly.

TO APPLY: Send cover letter, resume and contact information for three references by email to YWCA Human Resources at HR@ywcaofolympia.org with “ACI Youth & Community Engagement Coordinator” in the subject line. Position is open until filled.

YWCA Olympia and Pizza Klatch are actively recruiting persons from various ethnic and cultural backgrounds to enhance service to our diverse communities. Diverse and bilingual candidates are encouraged to apply.

YWCA Olympia and Pizza Klatch are Equal Opportunity Employers.

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