Announcement Newsletter

"Amazing Things Happen Here"

Happening this Week

 Church services are pre-recorded every Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. Members are welcomed to attend.



If you have a prayer request or want to add someone to the prayer list, please email us at info@clairumcjc.org or go to Clair's website and let us know how we can pray for you. Please pray for the following:

- Pastor Dawrell Rich and the Rich and Allen families
- Members of Clair Memorial and their families
- Vivian Chambliss
- Essie Copeland
- Pat Martinez
- Lenora Wright
- Tracy Bolden
- · Rosalind Grant and the Barboza Family

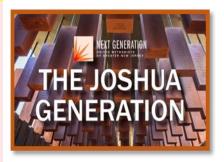
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Special points of interest

- The target date for the church reopening is September 5, 2021.
- Livestream viewing of Sunday morning Worship services is available on Clair's website and Facebook page at 11:00 am.

Youth Corner



Joshua Generation Civil Rights Pilgrimage Be A Part of a Sacred Journey June 18-25, 2022

We would like you to encourage our youth members to apply for The Joshua Generation Civil Rights Pilgrimage. This program, now in its second year, lets youth grow their anti-racism and spiritual leadership. Both are critical endeavors as we work together to end the sin of racism and fulfil our GNJ priorities. More information about Journey of Hope ACT plans and Joshua Generation can be found on GNJ's FAQ page. https://www.gnjumc.org/journeyofhope/frequently-asked-questions/

This pilgrimage will bring together a diverse group of NJ high school students in grades 9-12, committed to journeying together toward an understanding of racial justice in our country and in our lives. Imagine traveling through the places of our country's most significant civil rights' events, to meet the people that made equality happen, and with those who continue the work in some of the most challenging spaces. Imagine walking the grounds where middle and high school students held hands and protected each other from attack dogs and fire hoses and took bold steps forward toward their own and each other's freedom. Imagine hearing from present-day activists how they push back against hate speech, online harassment, and verbal attacks.

How To Apply:

Complete the <u>online application</u> by **August 22, 2021** to be considered in the first round of applications. The first round of applicants will be notified of acceptance by **September 1, 2021**.



Joshua's House—Hope Project

Clair Memorial in partnership with Joshua's House is gathering nonperishable and personal care items for the homeless and women and children in emergency shelters. With the generous support of partners like you, we build healthy and resilient communities.

You can send donations to the church or Joshua's House at 1 E. Broad Street - Suite 304 Westfield, NJ 07090.

Job Postings



Job Title: Director of Organizing

Organization: Faith in New Jersey

Location: Rahway, New Jersey (Works Statewide)

About Us:

Faith in New Jersey is a network of clergy and faith communities working with our allies to advance a racial, immigration and economic justice agenda across the state. We believe that people of faith and believers in justice are called into the public square to give a moral mandate to build the Beloved Community. We are purposefully building a multicultural, directly-impacted-led movement with faith, race, and power at the center of our work.

Faith in NJ is an affiliate of the Faith in Action National Network, the largest network of faith-based community organizing federations in the country. We take pride in creating a welcoming workplace for veterans, women, people of diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds, formerly incarcerated people, and people with different abilities.

Job Description:

Faith in New Jersey is seeking a full-time **Director of Organizing** to grow our grassroots organizing, leadership development, and to advance the grassroots movement across New Jersey. This is a full-time position, based in Rahway, that requires travel, includes regular evening work and weekend work as needed.

The Director of Organizing is responsible for training, coaching, and managing organizers in the execution of a variety of activities including field operations strategies and tactics; congregation organizing and development; deep listening and research support; and expanding our coalition. The Director will also design and implement a statewide multi-faceted organizing curriculum to build grassroots organizing across New Jersey. This is a self-motivated position that requires the ability to work with agility on the front lines of the organization as well as the capacity to develop staff and leaders, and cultivate relationships with a diverse community leader base, clergy, elected officials and other stakeholders. The Director of Organizing reports to the Executive Director and will partner with the ED and other leadership to create and execute organizing and development plans that support the overall strategic goals of Faith in New Jersey.

A Faith in New Jersey Director of Organizing:

- Centers faith, race, and power in grassroots organizing by supporting and elevating relational organizing approaches developed in collaboration with organizers of color across New Jersey.
- Is a forward thinking, dynamic change agent who is passionate about justice and wants to dismantle the structural forces causing racial, economic and social disparities.
- Is not afraid of a challenge and can effectively problem-solve, multi-task, and make decisions especially under pressure.
- Thrives in a fast-paced, team-based atmosphere.
- Is comfortable working in a multi-racial, interfaith environment.
- Is committed to their own development and growth as an organizer.
- Demonstrates a disciplined focus on intentional leadership development through 1:1 conversation, identifying self-interest, inviting grassroots leaders into roles in the public arena and engaging them in national and local leadership development training.

 Engages grassroots leaders in collective action for social change through identifying issues, training leaders and getting them into direct action with policy-makers and decision- makers at a local, countywide, state, and federal level

Responsibilities:

- Design and implement multi-year state-wide intersectional campaigns that escalate power to dismantle structural racism and deliver wins for immigrant rights, racial justice, and economic justice.
- Develop the next generation of organizing talent and build independent political power to advance racial, immigrant, and economic justice in New Jersey.
- Lead training, supervision, coaching and development for community organizers.
- Ensure organizers are strategic, build base, train leaders, and build local campaigns.
- Help develop and expand Faith in New Jersey strategic partnerships with other community-based organizations and faith groups.
- Lead efforts to build organizational capacity for voter engagement and data-driven work to build and exercise power.
- Work with the Executive Director to manage grant deliverables and cultivate and steward funder/donor relationships to sustain and grow the work.
- Participate in effective, powerful collaboration with other Faith in Action federations in the region and nationwide on national policy campaigns, trainings and cohort work.
- Learn and teach the Faith in Action organizing model and approach to leadership development and marry it with various organizing models
- Conduct weekly relational meetings with clergy, community leaders and organizational allies
- Develop a clear power analysis of the region and the state legislature
- Bridge the gap between racial, economic and immigrant justice issues and movements
- Intentional movement building with grassroots organizations

*Please note, this is a non-exhaustive list and is subject to change as needed to accommodate the organizational goals of Faith in New Jersey.

Qualifications:

- At least 5 years of community organizing experience (faith-based, labor, political, grassroots, or other)
- Acute knowledge of legislative process at city, state, and national levels, and the ability to navigate varying political environments
- Successful experience recruiting, training, supervising and developing organizing staff.
- Proven success implementing organizing campaigns to win tangible results for the community.
- Demonstrated strategic thinking and political analysis skills
- Excellent organizational skills and ability to meet goals and strict deadlines.
 Strong public speaking, writing and analytical skills
- Strong interpersonal and relational skills.
- Proven ability to work effectively with people from diverse racial, cultural, religious and socioeconomic backgrounds.
- Intermediate-to-fluent Spanish strongly preferred.

Faith in New Jersey has a strong learning culture, including weekly staff development and coaching opportunities and Faith in Action regional and national training. We place a high priority on personal learning and creating a respectful multicultural organization. We strongly encourage candidates of color to apply.

Compensation: Competitive salary of \$60,000 - \$75,000 depending on experience; position includes health, holiday, and vacation benefits. In addition, we provide travel reimbursement.

Interested applicants should send a resume, cover letter and reference to: careers@faithinnewjersey.org.

No calls please.

Job Postings



Job Title: Regional Community Organizer

Organization: Faith in New Jersey

Location: North Jersey

Faith in New Jersey is a network of clergy and congregations working with our allies to advance a racial, immigration and economic justice agenda across the state. Faith in New Jersey is seeking a full-time **Regional Community Organizer** to grow our organizing and leadership development work in North Jersey with 3 assigned counties, and to help lead our statewide organizing campaigns.

The Regional Community Organizer will engage and develop clergy and grassroots community leaders in organizing to protect and expand human rights, dismantle systemic injustice, and increase economic opportunities. Faith in NJ is an affiliate of the Faith in Action National Network, the largest network of faith-based community organizing federations in the country.

A Faith in New Jersey Community Organizer:

- Demonstrates a disciplined focus on intentional leadership development through 1:1 conversation, identifying interest, inviting grassroots leaders into roles in the public arena and engaging them in national and local leadership development trainings.
- Engages grassroots leaders in collective action for social change through identifying issues, training leaders and getting them into direct action with policy-makers and decision- makers at a local, countywide, state, and federal level
- Builds intentional relationships with clergy and religious leaders: identifying interests and challenges in
 congregations, exploring how Faith in New Jersey membership meets congregational needs and
 constructing strategies for congregational development in partnership with Faith in New Jersey
- Co-creates and implements long term strategic plans for building power for racial, immigrant, and economic justice.

Responsibilities:

- Learn the Faith in Action model and approach to leadership development
- Conduct regular relational meetings with clergy, community leaders and organizational allies
- Develop a clear power analysis of the region and the state legislature
- Help recruit new clergy, congregations and lay leaders into the organization
- Train congregational leaders to build organizing teams with the power to win policy changes that promote immigrant justice, economic dignity and racial justice reform.
- Help lead our statewide justice organizing and support other local campaigns
- Bridge the gap between racial, economic and immigrant justice issues and movements
- Develop and conduct training for leaders on effective community organizing: research meetings, team building, mobilization, power analysis, voter engagement, coalitions, structural racism, storytelling, oneto-ones, etc.

Qualifications:

- Associates or Bachelor's degree, or equivalent work experience
- Strong public speaking, writing and analytical skills
- Strong interpersonal and relational skills and interest in people
- Comfortable working directly with faith and clergy leaders
- Disciplined and able to work effectively, independently and in teams
- Desire to learn and openness to being challenged
- Experience working in communities of color
- Experience in organizing with immigrant communities, communities of color, political organizing, union organizing, or related work

Faith in New Jersey has a strong learning culture, including weekly staff development and coaching opportunities and Faith in Action regional and national trainings. We place a high priority on personal learning and creating a respectful multicultural organization. We strongly encourage candidates of color to apply.

Full-time, which will include some evening and weekend work. Opportunities for advancement.

Compensation: Competitive salary of \$40,000- \$45,000 depending on experience; position includes health benefits and travel.

Interested applicants should send a resume, cover letter and reference to: careers@faithinnewjersey.org. No calls please.

Faith in New Jersey is a multi-faith and multi-racial network of faith leaders and faith communities working together to protect religious liberties and advance an immigration, racial, economic and human justice agenda at the local, state and federal level. Faith in New Jersey's mission is to develop grassroots community leaders, analyze the policies that shape our communities, and mobilize faith voices and faith voters to effectively act on the prophetic call to build the Beloved Community.

Job Postings



Job Title: Live Free Community Organizer

Organization: Faith in New Jersey

Location: Rahway, NJ based

Faith in New Jersey is a network of clergy, faith communities, and those hurting working with our allies to advance a racial, immigration, and economic justice agenda. Faith in New Jersey is seeking a full-time Live Free Organizer to grow our organizing and leadership development work in New Jersey. The Live Free Organizer will co-create a statewide Street Certified coalition of formerly incarcerated leaders which is a part of our national LIVE FREE campaign to organize on the local, state, and federal level. The Live Free Organizer will work closely with Regional Organizers to build the powerful leadership of Street Certified leaders in their regions to co-create organizing across issues of concern in their local communities.

A Live Free Organizer Ideally:

- Has a lived experience of being incarcerated or has been impacted by the criminal legal system
- Is committed to liberation that is grounded in the belief that the path to the collective liberation of all people is through Black liberation.
- Believes in and is committed to the abolition of all systems or structures that harm our communities while building collective power of those impacted ensuring that healing is woven in all aspects of organizing with dignity.
- Demonstrates a disciplined focus on intentional relationship building across difference and leadership development through 1:1 conversation, inviting leaders into roles in the public arena and engaging them in national and local leadership development training.
- Engages grassroots leaders in collective action for social change through identifying issues, training leaders and getting them into direct action with policy-makers and decision makers at a local, county-wide, state, and federal level
- Co-creates and implements long term strategic plans that build power for a movement centering liberation, building power, and healing our communities
- Partners with our national LIVE FREE campaign

Responsibilities:

- Learn the Faith in Action organizing model and approach to leadership development
- Organize Street Certified Coalition meetings and strategy sessions
- Conduct 15-20 weekly relational meetings with justice impacted community leaders, clergy, community members and organizational allies

- Support regional organizing, power building and leadership development
- Advance decarceration policies on the national, state, and federal level
- Develop a clear power analysis of the region and the state legislature
- Identify, nurture, and elevate leaders within impacted communities and the broader public to help shape and inform campaign goals, tactics, and strategies while developing a powerful base
- Help lead our statewide justice organizing and build local campaigns
- Fundraise, monitor and maintain grant funding requirements
- Mobilize leaders to shape local, state, and federal policies or practices regarding the criminal legal system, public safety, and urban gun violence.
- Agitate faith communities to build social capital with those hurting in their immediate communities
- Mobilize volunteers to take action on legislative and local campaigns using a variety of tactics: event attendance, 1:1's, calls, letters, petition signature gathering, canvassing, phone banking, in-person meetings, house parties, rallies, etc.
- Develop and conduct training for leaders on effective community organizing: research meetings, team building, mobilization, power analysis, voter engagement, coalition building, structural racism, popular education, storytelling, one-to-ones, etc.
- Produces ongoing reports tracking data and other metrics

Qualifications:

- Creative, self-starting, willing to learn, and results-oriented with strong task and time management skills.
- Strong public speaking, writing and analytical skills
- Strong interpersonal and relational skills and interest in people
- Comfortable working directly with faith and clergy leaders
- Disciplined and able to work effectively, independently and in teams
- Desire to learn and openness to being challenged
- Experience organizing with returning citizens, within faith communities, communities of color, and/or youth preferred.
- Experience with political organizing, union organizing, faith-based organizing, grassroots organizing, designing organizing campaigns, civic engagement, or related work
- Bi-lingual is a plus but not required
- Ability to have flexible schedule, work evenings, work weekends, and travel

The Live Free Organizer will develop Street Certified leaders, clergy, and grassroots community leaders in organizing to protect and expand human rights, dismantle systemic injustice, and increase economic opportunities. Faith in New Jersey is an affiliate of the Faith in Action National Network, the largest network of faith-based community organizing federations in the country.

Faith in New Jersey has a strong learning culture, including weekly staff development and coaching opportunities and Faith in Action regional and national training. We place a high priority on personal learning, creating a respectful multicultural organization, and dismantling white supremacy in organizing spaces. This is an entry level position that will involve extensive training. We strongly encourage candidates of color and formerly incarcerated leaders to apply.

Compensation: Competitive salary of \$40,000; position includes health, holiday, and vacation benefits. In addition we provide travel and cellular phone reimbursement.

Application Procedure:

Please submit a cover letter, resume, on Indeed. No phone calls, please. This job description provides a general but not comprehensive list of the responsibilities and qualifications required. It does not represent a contract of employment.

A key responsibility is co-creating a NJ Street Certified Coalition. Find below a description from the national Street Certified Coalition decarceration campaign manager.

Street Certified Coalition

"The need for this space is informed by the understanding that those with justice impacted lived experiences need an exclusive space allocated towards their development, supporting the building of their network, and creating a culture of dignity. The goal of the space is to support a pipeline of development and well being for formerly incarcerated people across the country to pass policies that decarcerate mass incarceration in America with dignity.

The benefit of joining the national (and statewide) campaign is that by building collective power people are trained in tools that will not just assist themselves to advocate for policies that will benefit their communities; but, also translate into skills that will help to improve conditions in their day-to-day lives. The prayer of this coalition is that formerly incarcerated people who work together will be architects of a world that is of our imagination and not just at our expense. The success of this coalition is determined by formerly incarcerated people seeing tangible, and sustainable improvement in their day to day lives, as well as the incarcerated population across America decreasing significantly with dignity.

You may have noticed the mention of dignity is relied on heavily in these descriptions. This is recognition that progressive spaces often compromise directly impacted people's humanity at the expense of perceived "wins." It is explicitly clear to this coalition that we can pass policy and maintain our humanity both at the same time." - Brittany White - Decarceration Campaign Manager

Community News



Metropolitan Family Health Network Invites You to

National Health Center Week 2021

Celebrating Community Health Centers: The Chemistry for Strong Communities



Tuesday, August 10 and Wednesday, August 11 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at our 935 Garfield Avenue site in Jersey City, NJ

All are welcome to join the fun on August 10th and 11th:

- FREE Bags of Healthy Food first-come, first-served; limit one bag per family
- FREE Giveaways school supplies, backpacks, water bottles, personal care products, and more
- FREE Screenings
- COVID-19 Vaccines for ages 12 and up walk-ins welcome; those 18 years of age and younger must be accompanied by parent or guardian
- Healthcare information
- Ice Cream
- Popcorn
- Music
- Jumbotron with messages from elected officials and dignitaries

On August 11th:

• A Special Celebration Just for Patients in Our Healthcare for the Homeless Program with prepared lunches and more (not open to the general public)

Donors and Presenters include:

Aetna Better Health of New Jersey Medly Pharmacy

Amerigroup PAC

Horizon NJ Health Patricia Roundtree "Morning Meditation"

Hudson Pride United HealthCare

Jersey City Medical Center WellCare

Labcorp

Social distancing and masks are required.

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