



MASSACHUSETTS FAIR HOUSING CENTER

Staff Attorney

The Massachusetts Fair Housing Center (MFHC), the oldest fair housing center in Massachusetts, seeks a full-time staff attorney to join a passionate and skilled team. MFHC is dedicated to ending systemic housing discrimination; our core work includes legal and policy advocacy, outreach and education, and housing counseling. As an organization centered on advancing housing justice, MFHC works to preserve tenancies, prevent homelessness, create lead-safe housing opportunities for families with children, protect survivors of domestic violence and hate crimes, provide greater housing opportunities for recipients of rental assistance, and ensure people with disabilities enjoy equal access to housing. We are mission driven and believe that our work has the power to yield meaningful change. Please read more about our work on our website.

The staff attorney will be based in MFHC office in Holyoke and will represent people who have experienced housing discrimination by investigating, developing, and litigating fair housing claims before administrative agencies and in federal and state court. The staff attorney will have a critical role in litigating important civil rights claims on behalf of individual clients as well as larger impact cases. The attorney will also assist in grant reporting; supervise fair housing testing activities, law students, interns and volunteers; and support MFHC's outreach activities including by conducting educational workshops and seminars.

This position is dependent on grant funding.

Qualifications: Admission to Mass. Bar, including pending admission, or entitlement to practice under a Mass. practice rule is required. Litigation experience in housing, civil rights, or land use cases preferred. A demonstrated commitment to social justice and public interest law, and the ability to work well with individuals from diverse backgrounds is important. Training and public speaking experience is a plus. Bilingual English/Spanish is a plus.

Compensation: The salary for this position begins at \$62,000 and increases upward depending on experience. Benefits include employer-sponsored healthcare plan, competitive time off, and fringe benefits including payment of professional dues and professional development trainings. We are a supportive workplace and offer flexibility regarding hybrid work.

To apply, please submit a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and contact information for three professional references to jobs@massfairhousing.org or mail to Claire Trivax, Administrative Coordinator, Massachusetts Fair Housing Center, 57 Suffolk Street, Holyoke, MA 01040. MFHC is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive workplace free of discrimination. MFHC encourages applicants from a broad range of backgrounds and experiences.