



MASSACHUSETTS FAIR HOUSING CENTER

Legal Director

The Massachusetts Fair Housing Center (MFHC), the oldest fair housing center in Massachusetts, seeks a full-time Legal Director 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 Legal Director will be based in MFHC's Holyoke office and will oversee our legal program. The Legal Director will supervise our Staff Attorneys, legal interns, and support staff while also maintaining a caseload representing clients in state and federal court and at administrative agencies. The Legal Director will provide direction and develop strategy for our legal program in collaboration with the Executive Director. Additional duties will include community outreach and trainings, contributing to grant applications, and other tasks as needed. The Legal Director will report directly to the Executive Director.

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. Experience in all aspects of litigation, specifically in housing or civil rights. Experience supervising attorneys and/or staff. 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 \$75,000 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 with a 35-hour work week 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. Interviews will be conducted on a rolling basis until the position is filled. 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.