

# The Australian Youth Climate Coalition: ACT Outreach Coordinator

**LOCATION:** Canberra

**RESPONSIBLE TO:** ACT State Leaders

**TIME COMMITMENT:** The equivalent of 1 day a week (8-12hrs) for a 12 month time period (negotiable)

**SALARY:** This is a volunteer role. Reimbursement is available for associated expenses.

## ABOUT THE AYCC

The Australian Youth Climate Coalition has grown from a handful of people in 2006 to over 120,000 members and hundreds of volunteers around the country. We have successfully campaigned to get a price on carbon, held Power Shifts with thousands of participants, and convinced all four of Australia's big four banks to pull out of involvement with the proposed Adani Carmichael coal mine on the Great Barrier Reef. We've reached hundreds of thousands of young people with our message demanding a safe climate future and are building a generation wide movement to solve the climate crisis before it's too late. We do this work alongside the Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network. In 2018 our main focus will be ensuring that the Adani coal mine in Queensland does not go ahead.

## ABOUT AYCC CANBERRA

In Canberra, we currently have between 15-30 regular committed volunteers, and others who are involved in a semi regular or occasional basis. We have proven ourselves to be a strong part of the climate movement in the ACT.

In 2017 we have focused largely on stopping Adani's proposed Carmichael coal mine in the Galilee Basin. We've used creative and engaging tactics which place pressure on key influential decision-makers to aim higher on climate. We successfully pushed Westpac bank – one of the largest and most stubborn banks in Australia – to rule out funding Adani's mine! We've also been mentoring high school students to run campaigns in their schools to transition to renewable energy. We continue to play an active role in the #StopAdani alliance, pressuring our MPs to rule out public funding for the Adani mine and so much more. We lead the first of dozens of giant human sign actions on Parliament House Lawns with over 250 Canberran's spelling out Stop Adani.

We also brought together over 50 people from the ACT to our first youth climate justice summit, Power Shift 2017 in Melbourne this July. This presents a really exciting opportunity for AYCC Canberra to scale our grassroots network. Excitingly we are currently in the process of starting to transition into a new grassroots model which will enable us to scale our grassroots. This means we will be able to better support volunteer growth and engagement, enable more leadership opportunities, provide volunteers with more regular and tailored training and development, and boost our capacity to win campaigns in the fight for climate justice. The new state leaders will play a critical role in facilitating and supporting this transition, with the support of the AYCC NSW Organiser.

## **ABOUT THE ROLE**

The ACT Outreach Coordinator needs to have a deep passion and commitment to solving the climate crisis through building and mobilising a generation-wide movement. The Outreach Coordinator is responsible for growing the movement in the ACT, and ensuring that AYCC is inclusive, effective and diverse.

This includes creating opportunities for volunteers to become more confident, learn skills and deepen their commitment through events such as training days, social nights, and new volunteer welcome nights. The Outreach Coordinator is also responsible for running centralised actions that volunteers can take part in such as having stalls at weekend markets. The Outreach Coordinator will make sure that volunteers in the ACT feel effective, confident, skilled and resourced, as well as creating an open and inclusive environment so that new members feel welcome. This requires initiative, experience in working with volunteers, strong communication skills and the ability to create and implement campaign and grassroots strategy. This is a challenging and exciting role, and a fantastic opportunity to develop many, varied skills and contribute meaningfully to the youth climate movement.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Help to build and mobilise a grassroots movement, and empower ACT volunteers to take action.
- Work with the ACT leadership team to develop and implement strategy, vision and goals
- Attend regular meetings with the ACT leadership team
- Develop and maintain a strong outreach culture across AYCC ACT, including weekly call out nights and ongoing community stalls.
- Work with the ACT Volunteer Support Coordinator to organise events such as O-week events, social nights and new volunteer welcome events.
- Ensure volunteers are confident, trained and resourced to do things independently
- Check in with volunteers development and work with core team to develop volunteer pathways
- Communicate vision to volunteers, and make sure they understand how they are helping achieving it

## **ESSENTIAL SKILLS AND CHARACTERISTICS**

- Passionate and committed to finding solutions to solve the climate crisis, committed to building a youth climate movement. Embraces AYCC purpose, theory of change, and culture.
- Efficient and highly effective. Confident in working independently, creatively and with strong initiative.
- Project management skills.
- Outstanding communication skills, with the ability to facilitate others and build networks.
- Experience in managing volunteers, committed to teamwork, and empathetic.
- Resourceful and innovative, with the ability to think strategically and creatively.
- Experience in inspiring and motivating others.

## **START DATE**

We are excited for our new Outreach Coordinator to start as soon as possible after interviews are complete. Interviews are expected to be completed late December - January.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

If you don't have some of the skills and competencies listed above, and are willing to learn and are passionate about this role, please apply. We know that the best people sometimes have no formal experience but are quick learners. We encourage all to apply.

Please send a short resume (2 pages max), and cover letter (1 page) detailing your experience and interest in the role to Violet Cully, current ACT State Leader, at [violet.cully@aycc.org.au](mailto:violet.cully@aycc.org.au). If you would like to discuss the role further confidentially please feel free to contact our current State Leader Violet Cully on 0490 312 419 or [violet.cully@aycc.org.au](mailto:violet.cully@aycc.org.au).

Applications are rolling for this position, please apply as soon as possible.



