

The Australian Youth Climate Coalition: ACT Co-State Leader x 2



LOCATION: Canberra

RESPONSIBLE TO: Sally Coggiola (NSW Organiser & ACT Mentor)

TIME COMMITMENT: The equivalent of 2 days a week (12-16hrs) for a 12-18 month time period

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

The AYCC is currently looking for *two* outstanding individuals to join the team and lead the AYCC ACT state branch in 2019. This is an incredible opportunity to build AYCC ACT to powerfully implement strategic grassroots campaigns at a crucial time for the climate. This is an opportunity to use your existing leadership, communication and strong interpersonal skills to make a significant and lasting contribution to the climate movement. In this position you will build skills in management, communications, community organising, strategy, campaigning and much more. This is your chance to be part of a dynamic and exciting leadership team that is building a generation-wide movement to solve the climate crisis.

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 2019 our main focus will be ensuring that the Adani coal mine in Queensland does not go ahead, and to work alongside our sister organisation Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network to ban fracking in the NT.

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 2018 we've focused largely on stopping Adani's proposed Carmichael coal mine in the Galilee Basin, and supporting Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network in their fight to get fracking banned in the NT. We've used creative and engaging tactics, which place pressure on key influential decision-makers to aim higher on climate. In the last few years, we've successfully pushed Westpac to rule out funding Adani's mine, have been working with young people to support their visions for a future beyond coal, and mentoring high school students to run campaigns in their schools to transition to renewable energy. This year we trained over 60 young people alone in how to be leaders in the fight for climate justice!

We will be continuing all of this work into 2019 - in particular playing an active role in the #StopAdani alliance, training up volunteers to be awesome campaigners, and running a large-scale election campaign in a marginal seat. The State Leaders will drive the youth climate movement's tactics and strategies for the Stop Adani campaign, focussing in on getting the Australian Labor party to commit to stopping the Carmichael mine.

ABOUT THE ROLE

An AYCC Co- State Leader needs to have a deep passion and commitment to solving the climate crisis through building and mobilising a generation-wide movement. They will possess strong leadership qualities and will be required to inspire and mobilise young people on climate change.

The following responsibilities and skills are to be shared between a team of 2 State Leaders. If you are motivated and feel that you can fulfil part or all of these criteria, we encourage you to apply.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Build and mobilise a grassroots movement
- Manage branch volunteers with your co-state leaders
- Support & Mentor members of the core team 1-2-1
- Conduct weekly/fortnightly check-ins with team coordinators and run fortnightly coordinator meetings
- Act as spokesperson for AYCC ACT in media and public presentations, including looking for media opportunities
- Facilitate branch meetings, trainings and centralised events
- Implement AYCC projects and campaigns
- Liaise with other organisations on strategy and campaigns
- Manage basic state fundraising plans and budget
- Attend national leadership team weekly conference calls and occasional interstate retreats
- Developing and implementing strategy in a facilitative manner
- Managing internal processes, culture and training program
- Provide input into AYCC's national campaign strategies and strategic plans
- Represent ACT in AYCC's national decision making space
- Support the management and implementation of a state volunteer recruitment strategy. This includes text-outs, community stalls, and call-outs to engage new and existing volunteers in grassroots activities.
- Endeavour to create an open, inclusive environment for people of all backgrounds, abilities and identities.
- Work alongside Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network and work to build the ACT AYCC branch to be active allies to Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS AND CHARACTERISTICS

- Confident in working independently and with strong initiative
- Outstanding communication skills
- Experience in running medium-to-large-scale events
- Efficient and highly-effective
- Committed to teamwork
- Reliability, particularly under times of stress
- Resourceful and innovative
- Easily approachable and contactable
- Experience in inspiring and motivating others
- Willingness to learn new skills and adapt to change
- Committed to building a strong youth climate movement
- Embrace AYCC purpose, theory of change, and culture

START DATE

We are excited for our new state leaders to start as soon as possible after interviews are complete. Interviews are expected to be completed by mid-Late January. Handover period will be approximately January to February.

HOW TO APPLY

We acknowledge that sometimes the best people for the role may not fulfil all the above criteria, but are motivated and quick learners. We encourage all to apply.

Please send a short resume (2 pages max), and cover letter (1 page) detailing your relevant experience and interest in the role to Sally Coggiola at sally.coggiola@aycc.org.au. If you would like to discuss the role further please feel free to contact the AYCC NSW Organiser, the state mentor for ACT, Sally Coggiola (0415 116 992 or sally.coggiola@aycc.org.au).