

Australian Youth Climate Coalition: ACT Volunteer Support Coordinator



Time Commitment: 1 day per week (or equivalent) for at least 12 months

Responsible to: ACT State Leaders

Start: ASAP

Positions available: 1

Salary: This is a volunteer role. [Reimbursement](#) is available for associated expenses.

Location: Canberra (you will be expected to occasionally work from our office in Canberra City)

ABOUT THE AYCC

The Australian Youth Climate Coalition (AYCC) is Australia's largest youth-led organisation, and the peak body for youth acting on climate change. We're building a generation-wide movement to solve the climate crisis before it's too late, and need passionate, enthusiastic volunteers to make it happen. We're running campaigns to stop Adani's plans to build Australia's biggest coal mine near the Great Barrier Reef and supercharge the upgrade to renewable energy, and supporting the Ban Fracking in the NT campaign lead by our sister organisation Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network.

ABOUT THE AYCC ACT BRANCH

In 2018 we 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. We've successfully pushed Westpac to rule out funding Adani's mine, have covered Canberra in our Stop Adani message, had hundreds of conversations and engaged our local political representatives.

We will be continuing all of this work in 2019 - in particular playing an active role in the #StopAdani alliance, training up volunteers to be awesome campaigners, and making a splash in the nation's capital.

In Canberra, we currently have between 15-30 regular committed volunteers, as well as over 30 more who are involved in a semi-regular or occasional basis. We have proven ourselves to be a strong part of the climate movement in Canberra, but are hoping to scale our grassroots networks even more over the next year. The Volunteer Support Coordinator will play a critical role in building our movement and creating opportunities for new people to join or lead, alongside the ACT Leadership team.

ABOUT THE ROLE

We are looking for leaders for our ACT Volunteer Support Team to engage potential volunteers, provide them clear pathways into AYCC, and constantly draw new young people towards taking meaningful climate action. You will lead a team of volunteers in calling, messaging, meeting and welcoming new recruits to grow the Canberran climate movement. You will plan introductory and social events, and mentor, train and support your team to induct, follow up, and build relationships with volunteers to connect their interests with their AYCC experience.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Develop and maintain a supportive, welcoming culture within AYCC that [underpins our core values](#)
- Train and empower a team of leaders at each campaign team meeting to participate in the months events
- Work with the Outreach & Recruitment Coordinators to ensure new recruits are followed up in a timely fashion

- Organise regular welcome nights and social events to bring volunteers together to build relationships, learn about the AYCC & have fun
- Provide training and mentoring to volunteers, ensuring they are confident in supporting new volunteers
- Keep AYCC's organisational structure updated so your team can connect volunteers to relevant hubs
- Collect volunteer data from events and work with your mentor to track pathways for new volunteers
- Stay up to date with AYCC campaigns, local events, and the wider climate movement
- Participate in regular ACT leadership team meetings and implement their strategy, vision, and goals

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- How to communicate climate change effectively and have meaningful conversations about it
- How to lead, mentor and train a team of young people to grow the climate movement through conversation
- How to induct and support new volunteers to maximise their experience participating in AYCC activities

KEY SKILLS, CHARACTERISTICS AND EXPERIENCE

- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, able to communicate in-person in a friendly, engaging way
- Passionate about environmental issues, especially solving the climate crisis in a fair and just way
- Ability to build relationships with, inspire, motivate, and facilitate others to perform at their best
- Trustworthy, reliable, efficient, able to work independently, think creatively, take initiative, and learn quickly
- Empathic team player with experience managing or leading teams of volunteers

Don't have all skills/experience listed above? Still apply! We need a passionate, dedicated, quick-learning young person under 30 to fill this role. There will be plenty of on-the-job learning opportunities. We strongly encourage young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, LGBTIQ+, and people of colour to apply.

HOW TO APPLY

Please send your CV and a cover letter detailing your experience and interest in the role to 'ACT Leaders team', act@aycc.org.au by midnight Sunday 3rd February. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the role further, please feel free to contact Sally (ACT Mentor) on 0415 116 992 or via email (sally.coggiola@aycc.org.au) for a confidential discussion.