

## Energy Sustainability AmeriCorps Volunteer

Service Dates: September 22nd, 2026 to August 15th, 2027 (full term, 1700 hours)

Location: Sabin CDC, 4937 NE 20th Ave, Portland, OR 97211

Direct Supervisor: Larson Dana, Maintenance Energy Technician

### **Organization**

Sabin CDC is a nonprofit organization that was founded in 1992. Sabin is dedicated to promoting social equity by enhancing the livability of culturally diverse neighborhoods in Portland. We strive to ensure long-term affordable rental and homeownership housing options. Our efforts primarily focus on supporting African American and Afro-Indigenous households adversely affected by gentrification, systemic oppression, and inequalities.

### **Position Overview**

As part of Sabin's Building Fair Futures team, the Energy Efficiency Member will support sustainability and cost-saving efforts by coordinating energy workshops, partnering with organizations, and assisting residents and staff in reducing energy use. This role combines hands-on support, outreach, and planning to promote long-term environmental impact across Sabin properties.

### **Key Responsibilities**

- **Workshop & Event Coordination (20%):**
  - Plan and attend energy efficiency workshops and community tabling events
  - Create material to engage with residents and staff on energy-saving practices
- **Partner & Contractor Collaboration (20%):**
  - Collaborate with Energy Trust of Oregon's Strategic Energy Management Program and other energy-focused partners
  - Work alongside contractors and Sabin CDC staff on energy upgrades and projects
- **Operational & Maintenance Support (40%):**
  - Assist with weatherization properties and identifying energy efficiency improvements.
  - Plan and implement operations and maintenance enhancements.
  - Conduct energy and safety inspections in all Sabin units.
- **Policy & Program Support (15%):**
  - Support the development of internal energy efficiency policies and track progress and gather data to inform ongoing sustainability efforts
- **Community Program Engagement (5%):**
  - Support community initiatives like *Pass-It-On Days* and *Furnish-A-Change* to promote reuse and resource-sharing

### **Requirements**

- Passion for working with people from diverse backgrounds
- Comfortable working outdoors in all weather

- Able to lift up to 30 lbs.
- Reliable, professional, and a team player
- Open to learning about equity and social justice
- Must be 17+, a U.S. citizen or legal resident, have a high school diploma/GED (or working toward one), and pass a background check

### **Preferred Skills**

- Experience working with culturally diverse groups
- Good communication and organization skills
- Comfortable with Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint
- Driver's license a plus

### **Member Benefits**

- \$20,400 living allowance (before taxes)
- \$7,395 education award (for student loans or future education)
- Loan forbearance, health care, child care reimbursement
- Eligible for SNAP (food assistance)
- Training, mentorship, and networking opportunities with partners like SymbiOp Landscaping and Energy Trust of Oregon
- Certifications: Energy Trust of Oregon BOC
- Access to all of the Oregon BPS (Building performance standards) webinars
- Participation in community events, Lunch & Learns, and skill-building workshops

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