

## Director of Advocacy

Want to make a difference? Fahe is on a mission to eliminate persistent poverty in Appalachia. Our unique collaborative model connects a Network of local, regional, and national leaders, all working together to uplift our nation's rural places. Since our inception in 1980, the Fahe Network has served more than 375,000 people, made over \$609 million in direct investments, and achieved a total cumulative financial impact of over a billion dollars in Appalachia.

### **Job Summary:**

Fahe is looking for a new Director of Advocacy. This position will serve Fahe and our Membership by representing us at the state, regional, and national levels and moving our collective advocacy agenda forward. Reporting to the CEO, this position will work with the executive staff, board of directors and an outside lobbying firm on a regular basis.

### **Essential Duties and Functions:**

- Work with President and Policy Committee to craft, execute and report on our Advocacy/Policy Agenda
- Oversee and coordinate internal work for Advocacy, and with lobbying firm
- Represent Fahe and our Members at national and regional events.
- Create and promote content to legislators, trade groups/coalitions, program offices and strategic partners
- Translate details from big picture/national climate
- Responsible for Departmental budget and goals
- Ability to report (memos) to staff/caucuses/board on behalf of Advocacy Team
- Maintain legislative calendar and contacts list

### **Requirements for this position include:**

- Familiarity with federal programs, laws and regulations
- Familiarity with nonprofit development organizations
- Professional demeanor and willingness to cooperatively participate on a team in a mission-based organization
- Able to work independently as well as collaboratively
- Ability to Travel as needed – experienced solo and air traveler preferred

- Proficient relationship-building skills
- Undergraduate degree

**Preferred Education and Experience:**

- Graduate degree
- Experience at state or federal level with legislative affairs.

Fahe is an Equal Opportunity Employer seeking applicants who can bring diverse viewpoints, experience, talents, and culture to promote our organization's mission of eliminating persistent poverty in Appalachia. We offer a diverse work environment with competitive salaries and excellent benefits. Visit [www.fahe.org](http://www.fahe.org) to learn more about Fahe.

Qualified candidates may submit a resume and cover letter to [hr@fahe.org](mailto:hr@fahe.org) or mail to Fahe/ATTN: Human Resources; 319 Oak Street; Berea, KY 40403.