

## ClimateActionWR Local Policy Researcher

### *Who We Are:*

ClimateActionWR is a collaboration between local organizations and community members focused on climate change mitigation, and is led by Reep Green Solutions (Reep) and Sustainable Waterloo Region (SWR). It coordinates the activities of the Climate Action Plan – establishing cross-sector dialogue, facilitating collaborative opportunities, and monitoring and measuring progress towards achieving our community's greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction target of 6% below 2010 levels by 2020.

### *Job Purpose:*

The ClimateActionWR Local Policy Researcher is responsible for informing ClimateActionWR's Plan Manager and Sector Committees on relevant municipal, regional, provincial or federal programs, projects or policies that are expected to have an impact on GHG emissions within Waterloo Region.

### *As the ClimateActionWR Local Policy Researcher you would:*

- Collaborate with other ClimateActionWR Local Policy Researcher(s) to develop content for our regular *Policy Digest* newsletter which includes topics such as:
  - Key points being discussed by municipal and regional Environmental Committees
  - Planning policies or by-law reviews related to transportation, residential density or new building standards
  - Regional or Municipal Council agendas, minutes or results of votes
  - Provincial and Federal policy announcements or legislative news affecting climate change mitigation
- Analyze and advise PM and/or Sector Committee Chairs on how local policy developments may impact our community Climate Action Plan
- Act as a policy/research resource for ClimateActionWR with a focus on local issues
- Attend regional or municipal committee or council meetings as appropriate

### *As a strong candidate you have:*

- An interest in the policy process and its impact on government decisions
- An interest in municipal politics and knowledge of municipal planning processes
- Experience reading the news, press releases, and meeting minutes, and synthesizing information
- A self-starter nature and comfort working independently
- Strong written communication skills
- The ability to attend ClimateActionWR Team Meetings from 7:00 – 8:00 pm on the first Wednesday of the month

### *To apply please:*

- Address your cover letter to Yvonne Stoll clearly outlining why you are interested in working with our program and what excites you about this role
- Submit cover letter and resume to [volunteer@climateactionwr.ca](mailto:volunteer@climateactionwr.ca)