



AUSTIN CHAMBER

Vice President of State and Federal Relations Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce

The Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce seeks an experienced professional who enjoys working with others to influence policies and programs that support the Austin Chamber's goal of making Austin and Central Texas the best place to live, work and thrive in the world.

About the Chamber:

The Chamber works with federal, state, and local leaders to (1) support policies that create economic opportunity, (2) support education and workforce initiatives, particularly in high-demand industries, (3) support investments in infrastructure necessary to support the region's population and economy, both today and the future.

Chamber members are many of Central Texas' most civic-minded businesses and individuals. Chamber membership allows them to come together to provide influence and positive impact throughout the region.

The primary responsibilities of this position include:

Lead federal and state government relations and advocacy efforts in support of the vision and purpose stated above.

Represent the interests of the chamber and serving as the voice of the Central Texas business community before the Texas Legislature and state agencies and the United States Congress and federal agencies.

Implement efforts to build relationships with state and federal elected officials and employees.

Engage and educate chamber members and chamber committees on state and federal advocacy and government relations, including managing any Washington, D.C., advocacy trips.

Preferred qualifications:

The ideal candidate will have a minimum of seven years working in one or more of the following fields: state and/or federal government, government relations, advocacy, lobbying, or policy.

The ideal candidate will have experiences that support the Chamber's core-values: service-oriented, professional, enterprising, entrepreneurial, and dependable.

The ideal candidate will be a strong and thoughtful communicator who can present ideas efficiently and succinctly in person, in writing, and online.

The ideal candidate will be comfortable: working with a board of directors, working with a team, working independently, leading, taking initiative, and supervising staff and interns.

The ideal candidate will possess policy expertise, will be curious, creative, and enjoy learning and teaching others.

Other information:

This individual will report to the Senior Vice President of Policy and External Affairs and will work closely with many other Chamber staff including the senior leadership team, the economic development, communications, and events.

The position is in Austin. The individual will be permitted to work in a hybrid remote/in-office arrangement. The individual will be expected to attend in-person chamber events, coalition meetings, community meetings, receptions, and legislative and agency proceedings, etc. as necessary (including evenings and weekends as needed).

Compensation is competitive and depends upon qualifications and experience. The position is a full-time, salaried position eligible for all appropriate Chamber benefits.

How to apply:

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, a resume, and a list of 2-3 references by email to Susan Nold at snold@austinchamber.com before February 4, 2022. Applicants may be called for a Zoom or in-person interview. References will not be contacted without prior authorization from the applicant.