

Job Title	Government Relations Director
Employer/ Agency	National Association of Social Workers/Texas Chapter
Job Description	<p>Directs the implementation of the chapter’s advocacy efforts and the board approved legislative agenda in order to advance the interests of social work practice and the profession; Assists the Executive Director in achieving NASW’s vision, mission, values, goals, and strategic plan; Acts as a liaison and provides staff support to the NASW/TX PAC: TPACE (Texas Political Action for Candidate Election) Committee and member-driven Equity Committees.</p> <p>The GR Director Texas Chapter is directly responsible to the Executive Director. The primary function of the GR Director will be the implementation of the NASW-TX Legislative Agenda through legislative, statutory and regulatory means, Staff Support to TPACE, and assisting the Executive Director in the implementation of the strategic Work Plan, with focus on the Advocacy Goals. GR Direction will work closely with the Board, and other groups associated with the implementation.</p> <p>The GR Director is a registered lobbyist responsible for the implementation of the Association Legislative and Interim Agenda, and implementing the advocacy and engagement strategy for NASW/Texas. The GR Director leads and coordinates the development, management, implementation, and evaluation of strategies to inform and influence public policy at the state level on issues and in areas of importance as determined by the Board and Executive Director. The GR Director also coordinates the planning and execution for Social Work Advocacy Day. The GR Director also runs the chapter PAC, Texas Political Action for Candidate Election, helping to support candidate endorsements.</p> <p>Works closely with Executive Director in strategy development, evaluation, and continuous planning.</p> <p>Works closely with chapter leadership and in tandem with the national efforts to develop chapter’s legislative agenda, policies, and positions as they apply to implementation of the legislative and advocacy strategy</p> <p>Promotes the profession of social work to government officials, public and private agencies, and the general public.</p> <p>Drafts or otherwise prepares legislation and takes all necessary action to obtain passage of bills</p> <p>Communicates support, opposition, or amendments to applicable legislation through letters, fact sheets, testimony, and meetings with legislators and committee staff</p> <p>Provides materials, training, and technical assistance to chapter leadership in the regional and local implementation of Chapter goals and activities.</p> <p>Provides presentations on advocacy and Association’s legislative agenda to student groups and social work classes.</p> <p>Participates in public/press events which support the Chapter’s legislative agenda.</p> <p>Responds to membership and media inquiries regarding pertinent legislation and its impact.</p> <p>Provides staff support to NASW-TPACE (Texas Political Action for Candidate Election) to assist the Board with their candidate endorsement process, distribution of contributions, fundraising efforts, Texas Ethics Commission</p>

	reporting, and other activities. Registers as a lobbyist in Texas Assists in facilitation of Association events. Supervises interns/fellows as appropriate. Oversees Social Work Advocacy Day agenda and events
Qualifications	MSW and a minimum of two years' experience in administration and planning or legislative advocacy Demonstrated success in strategic planning and implementation Demonstrated experience with regulatory, legislative and political processes in Texas
Salary/Hours	\$55,000 - \$60,000
City, State, Zip	Austin TX
Email Address	wfrancis.naswtx@socialworkers.org
Application Method	Interested persons should send a cover letter and CV to Will Francis, Executive Director of NASW-TX, at wfrancis.naswtx@socialworkers.org
Opening Date	Immediately

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