



NFYI Advocacy Fund is currently accepting applications for its fellowship program, with immediate placement available. NFYI Advocacy Fund is dedicated to nurturing early-career policy professionals who are committed to advancing public policy, particularly in support of the bipartisan Congressional Caucus on Foster Youth (CCFY) and child welfare policy. This comprehensive one to two year program provides intensive policy training and leadership development, empowering fellows to emerge as the next generation of leaders in public service. Participants engage in hands-on experience as full-time legislative aides and policy analysts, preparing them to drive meaningful change in foster youth and child welfare policy.

The CCFY Fellow is responsible for supporting the goals of the Caucus and will be placed in one of the cochair's offices. This Fellow would represent the needs of current and former foster youth on the Hill and ensure that the perspectives of people with lived experience in the foster care system are included in policy and legislation development.

***Responsibilities:***

- Work closely with CCFY cochair offices to ensure their goals for CCFY are met and strategize regarding CCFY activities
- Helping develop and manage the CCFY policy agenda, coordinating CCFY events, overseeing CCFY communications strategies
- Maintain consistent communication with all of the CCFY Member offices
- Manage and develop stakeholder relationships
- Represent the CCFY in meetings with House leadership staff, Committee staff, Senate staff, and external organizations and stakeholders
- Work to expand CCFY membership and engagement
- Oversee and elevate CCFY's communications
- Partner with the National Foster Youth Institute to plan and execute CCFY's annual Congressional Foster Youth Shadow Day events and additional CCFY events as needed
- Update/maintain CCFY database and documentation

***Qualifications:***

The successful candidate must be a proactive highly motivated self-starter with strong organizational abilities, effective time management, and a professional demeanor. This candidate must have the ability to adapt to changing needs of the Caucus.

This candidate must be comfortable working with diverse groups of people and across political ideologies. The candidate should also have a deep understanding of the unique characteristics and needs of those with lived experience in the foster care system.

Candidates with direct lived experience with the foster care system are highly encouraged to apply.

Strong applicants should have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree in public policy, social work, or a related field. Previous Hill experience is a plus.

Fellows are paid \$70,000 annually plus benefits, and they must reside in or relocate to the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area and are responsible for their own travel, housing, and other living expenses



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To apply, candidates should send an email to [Rebecca@NFYIadvocacy.org](mailto:Rebecca@NFYIadvocacy.org) with “CCFY Fellow: Your Last Name” in the subject line and the following application materials attached as one combined PDF:

Cover letter (not to exceed one page), resume, one writing sample (not to exceed one page), and two references (not to exceed one page) – for each reference, please include name, current title/office, phone number, email, and a one-sentence description of your relationship to the reference.