The Conservation League seeks a self-motivated individual with “new urbanist” land use and transportation design experience, excellent communication and organizational skills, and a strong work ethic to join its Charleston office as a specialist in the Land Use Program.

The Conservation League is a non-profit conservation organization supported by 20,000 activists and a staff of 20 in Charleston, Beaufort, Georgetown, and Columbia. The Conservation League’s mission is to protect the threatened resources of the South Carolina coastal plain—its natural landscapes, abundant wildlife, clean water, and quality of life—by working with citizens and government on proactive, comprehensive solutions to environmental challenges.

**The position’s principle responsibilities include:**

* Working closely with Conservation League staff, citizens, businesses, and public officials to design, plan, and advocate for communities that are compact, mixed-use, walkable, and context sensitive
* Designing, developing, and executing short-term, annual, and long-term plans for various land use and transportation initiatives
* Educating developers, businesses, elected officials, citizens, and relevant planning bodies about the benefits of developing lands following traditional mixed-use urban patterns that reduce automobile dependency and rural land destruction

**The following additional duties are also required:**

* Attending public meetings and hearings to gather information and/or represent Conservation League interests
* Completing data collection and research necessary to fully understand projects and issues
* Providing leadership and support to grassroots efforts for land use and transportation projects
* Maintaining effective working relationships with governmental bodies, partner organizations, and foundations
* Working closely with Program Directors, Chief Conservation Officer, and Executive Director to develop strategic action plans for specific projects
* Managing day to day implementation of strategic plans
* Identifying facts and analyses required to support the Conservation League’s position and developing the plan and timetable for data collection and analysis
* Determining when and how to mobilize external constituencies and ensuring that the necessary alliances and relationships are built and maintained
* Monitoring and identifying potential issues – including public notices, permits, and/or proposals – and working with Program Directors, Chief Conservation Officer, and Executive Director to determine appropriate levels of Conservation League involvement
* Seeking support from management, when needed
* Performing related duties as assigned by the management
* Working with Conservation League development team, including
  + Completing grant proposals
  + Developing and nurturing relationships with Board members, donors, and membership
  + Attending Conservation League or other relevant events
* Evaluating the effectiveness of plans in determining outcomes and adjusting future actions accordingly

The successful candidate must enjoy working in a busy political arena.  S/he should appreciate the importance of periodically reevaluating and adjusting programmatic direction and priorities. At the same time, s/he should possess a clear understanding of the organization’s ultimate goals and be able to chart a tactical course toward achieving those goals.

The culture of this organization is one that values hard work, initiative, independence, passion, dedication and getting the job done. Conservation League employees are opportunistic, hard working, entrepreneurial, tenacious, creative, and results driven.

**Required Education and Experience**

Bachelor’s degree in related field

Three years relevant experience

Solid working knowledge of Microsoft

**Preferred Education and Experience**

Master’s degree in related field

Five years relevant experience

Proficiency in Adobe Creative Suite and GIS

**Additional Eligibility Qualifications**

Applicant is required to submit an example of his or her design work that adheres to mixed-use “new urbanist” principals and a brief description of the project.

This position also requires a willingness to attend meetings and events beyond work hours and occasional travel around the state. This is a full-time, exempt position located in our Charleston, South Carolina office. The Conservation League offers a competitive salary, benefits, and an exciting work environment.

To apply, please email your cover letter and resume to [jobs@scccl.org](mailto:jobs@scccl.org), or via regular mail to Coastal Conservation League, Human Resources, P.O. Box 1765, Charleston, SC 29402. No telephone calls, please. EOE.