



Make a difference in underserved communities. Build a cleaner, greener energy future.

Affordable Housing Energy Efficiency Specialist

Full-time position | Chicago, IL

Do you care about real results? Do you have energy efficiency education and experience? Seventhwave runs award-winning energy efficiency programs, and our Affordable Housing New Construction program needs your technical skills and community perspective to drive down energy use and make affordable housing healthier and more comfortable for residents. You will provide consulting and design and construction advice to affordable housing designers, helping them to adopt energy efficiency best practices. As you work with our customers, you'll also provide an important perspective from the field that will help us discover and test new approaches and make the program better. This position includes opportunities to continually expand your skills and role within our mission-driven organization.

You can create a healthier future, a cleaner environment, and thriving, resilient economy.

As part of our team, you will help us deliver trusted expertise for bold energy leadership. Seventhwave advances powerful strategies for social benefit through engineering, programs, education and research in energy efficiency. Our solutions come from using different perspectives to yield uncommon results. We offer an innovative path to real progress for our partners. Because how we use energy matters.

Working at Seventhwave exposes you to experts leading our transition to a clean energy economy. You will work on interesting projects that illuminate new paths to deep energy savings in buildings. You will also enrich your professional career through our work culture which emphasizes curiosity, kindness and high standards.

We build trust and understanding with our partners and clients. We need people who can balance technical ability with strong customer service and organizational skills. The best-qualified candidates will have first-hand knowledge of the building industry, especially design and/or construction principles related to energy, sustainability, and resident well-being. This role also requires demonstrated organization and planning abilities to be successful.

Primary responsibilities

- Assist developers and designers on energy efficiency, air quality and indoor comfort design decisions
- Review project design and construction documentation for compliance with energy efficiency design standards and testing requirements

- Perform energy savings calculations for program evaluation
- Build and maintain relationships with businesses – developers, architects and construction companies
- Promote utility energy efficiency programs at meetings, events, and presentations
- Assist Program Manager in data entry, tracking, and reporting of key metrics
- Assist Program Manager by organizing and facilitating business meetings
- Work alongside Program Manager and external third parties to assess partnerships and opportunities

Desired skills and experience

- Associate's or Bachelor's degree in related field or appropriate vocational training (construction, engineering, architecture, planning, or environmental sustainability)
- Excellent written and strong verbal communication skills
- Understanding of building systems and construction practices
- Highly organized and detail-oriented
- Excellent teamwork skills
- Must reside in the Greater Chicago area
- Proficient using Microsoft Office applications

Additional helpful skills – not required, but a real plus

- 1-3 years of experience in the energy efficiency, construction or affordable housing industry
- Technical background, with experience in building science and or construction methods
- Demonstrated personal initiative around sustainability and making communities better, especially in underserved communities

Join Seventhwave and be part of

- An independent non-profit seeking solutions to energy challenges
- Opportunities for a long-term, well-compensated career in clean energy
- A full benefits package and flexible work schedule
- Professional development
- A passionate, dedicated and talented group of colleagues
- National, regional and local initiatives to reduce our carbon footprint
- Award-winning programs that make a difference

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