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ClearPath Launches Conservative Climate Leadership Program  
CCLP places individuals on Capitol Hill in clean energy policy roles

Washington, DC – Tuesday, March 26, 2024 – ClearPath is launching the Conservative Climate Leadership Program (CCLP) to recruit talented individuals who embody ClearPath's mission and are interested in working on advancing clean energy policies.

Learn more about the CCLP in this video.

“In DC, people are policy, and we recognize the pivotal role of having talented individuals in the policy process,” said Andrea Steiner, Chief Operating Officer, ClearPath. “We are excited to find young professionals eager to contribute to shaping conservative clean energy policy solutions while gaining valuable experience in the heart of the legislative process.”

The CCLP seeks individuals passionate about climate and clean energy policy, and recruits, educates and places fellowship opportunities across the U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives in key committees, caucuses and offices.
The program aims to address the significant talent gap within conservative staff across various domains, especially in anticipation of upcoming shifts for the House and Senate, the U.S. Department of Energy and Administration.

“Given the complexities of clean energy and climate policy, particularly within conservative circles, it is important to intentionally focus on filling this gap with great talent,” added Steiner.

The CCLP is led by Program Director Dana Faught, who joined ClearPath from The Fund for American Studies, where she served as the Director of Student Recruitment and Alumni Engagement for more than 15 years, traveling across the country to college campuses, career fairs and conferences to recruit candidates for their summer internship programs.

There are 5 current and former fellows working on Capitol Hill, and ClearPath plans to continue growing this program and identifying the next generation of clean energy champions. Learn more about the CCLP, fellowship opportunities, and internship placements here.

**Validator Support:**
"Congress is always in need of building the bench of future policy leaders. To have ClearPath opening doors for young conservatives to work on clean energy innovation is incredible; frankly, that premise would have been unthinkable when I ran Congress." – Newt Gingrich, Former Speaker of the House of Representatives

“Finding and retaining qualified talent on Capitol Hill has always been a challenge. Identifying mission-driven individuals eager to contribute to conservative clean energy solutions amplifies that difficulty even more. ClearPath’s innovative program offers a solution for Congressional Offices – it will make short-term hiring easier, and in the long-run will bolster the field of conservatives interested in energy policy to work in Congress.” – Greg Walden, Former Chair of the House Energy and Commerce Committee

“One thing missing on Capitol Hill - and needed - is a practical, real-world, hands-on mentoring program for future congressional staffers and advocates interested in the intersection of energy and environmental policy. Clean energy investments and innovations require smart, critical thinkers addressing emerging policy challenges and opportunities. ClearPath’s CCLP is an exciting, facilitative step toward addressing this vital need.” – Ryan Costello, Former U.S. Representative

“Republicans do not have enough young policy minds working on climate and energy issues. ClearPath’s program is going to disrupt this dynamic – it’s a welcome development to advancing conservative clean energy policies on Capitol Hill.” – Mike Bloomquist, Former Staff Director of the House Energy and Commerce Committee

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