



## UW Chapter - Student Volunteer Lead 2021

**Seattle Subway Foundation** is a grassroots, all-volunteer, nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing high-quality rapid transit for Seattle and the Puget Sound on the fastest possible timeline. We envision a city and region that is fully connected by fast, reliable, and high capacity transit; where local travel via a complete, renewably-powered rapid transit system is the best option; and where everyone in Seattle has convenient access to one of America's foremost transit systems. We accelerate rapid transit investments by channeling grassroots support for fast, reliable mobility options that reduce car use into tangible accomplishments.

**Seattle Subway Foundation** is an educational foundation as defined under 26 U.S. Code §501(c)(3).

**Position Title:** UW Chapter Student Volunteer Lead

**Key Relationships:** Foundation's Board of Directors, including Outreach Director, Social Media Team, C.O.O. and Executive Director; MASS Coalition organizations

**Location:** Seattle, WA

**Hours:** Flexible; primarily weekends as academic or other commitments allow

**Compensation:** this position is an unpaid volunteer position with Seattle Subway Foundation, a 100% all-volunteer organization. However, Seattle Subway Foundation does sponsor student internships for course credit where allowable by the institution. Students are solely responsible for approval of course credit with their institution and no offer of employment is available upon completion of a student internship for course credit.

**Tangible Benefits:** none

**Intangible Benefits:** Support from Board of Directors in career development; exposure to educational opportunities and real world experience in educational outreach for planning, climate change activism, and grassroots mobilization; networking with prominent MASS Coalition organizations.

**Application instructions:** Please submit a written summary of experience in nonprofit/community outreach or voter mobilization to [volunteer@seattlesubway.org](mailto:volunteer@seattlesubway.org). Resumes not required, but encouraged.

### **Position:**

This is an exciting opportunity to shape the public debate about the future of mass transit in Seattle. The UW Chapter of Seattle Subway became a UW RSO in late 2019, but COVID-19

resulted in the suspension of Chapter operations in the Winter of 2020. Seattle Subway is planning to revive the student organization in 2021 in anticipation of a safe, gradual reopening of campus by the end of the year. The UW community includes over 70,000 students, faculty, and staff, most of which are eligible voters. Seattle Subway's UW Chapter needs an outgoing leader who is willing to engage, educate, and mobilize the UW community.

**Core Responsibilities:**

The UW Chapter Lead will work closely with the Director of Outreach to revive UW Chapter's campus outreach and voter engagement work. The UW Chapter Lead will raise student and faculty awareness of Seattle's transit future and increase voter support for ST4 by engaging students, staff, and faculty at campus and neighborhood events.

**Requirements:**

Able to write and edit material quickly, concisely, and persuasively.

Communicate clearly and effectively, with passion and enthusiasm.

Public speaking and willingness to engage with strangers.

Experience managing volunteers, hosting events on Zoom and in person.

Some knowledge of the connections between transit, climate change, gentrification, and racial justice, as well as the ability to speak fluently about these issues to the public.

Motivated to establish a strong presence for the organization on campus.

Ability to build and maintain relationships, and work well with volunteers. Able to work effectively as a team player.

*The Seattle Subway Foundation 501(c)(3) and Seattle Subway 501(c)(4) are organizations dedicated to supporting transit expansion in Seattle and throughout the Puget Sound. Seattle Subway will consider applicants for this position without regard to any category protected by applicable federal, state or local law, including but not limited to: race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, physical or mental disability, genetic information, veteran status or uniformed service member status. Women, people of color, LGBTQ people, young people, and members of other historically disenfranchised populations are encouraged to apply.*