

REBUILD BY DESIGN

Rebuild by Design at New York University's Institute for Public Knowledge

Location

New York City

Position: Research and Design Assistant

Background:

Climate change is here, and storms that feel extreme now will only become more frequent and more intense. In November 2022, Rebuild by Design released a report identifying county-level disaster impacts and costs over the past decade. The report, [Atlas of Disaster](#), found that 90% of counties in the U.S. have experienced a recent major disaster declaration due to extreme weather and offered solutions for investing in climate adaptation with a community-centered process.

The *Atlas of Disaster* aims to build awareness of the impacts of climate change on communities across the country, to mobilize investments in resilient infrastructure, and calls for reforms to federal disaster declaration policy. Rebuild by Design is now building off of the report to compile state-specific climate impact reports that can be used to support statewide adaptation policies and practices.

Rebuild by Design seeks to hire a highly motivated part-time Research + Design Assistant to help with the production of these reports through desktop research and graphic design. A sample report can be found [here](#).

Responsibilities:

Working under the Director of Rebuild by Design, the Assistant will help create state-specific Climate Impact Reports as well as other research and design projects.

Design and Mapping

- The creation and production of localized reports in InDesign
- The creation of localized data and maps for each of the 50 states

Desktop Research

- Research state specific climate impacts and projections
- Identify key statistics that can support a compelling argument for state coalitions, media, and decision-makers to use to advocate for climate adaptation investments
- Other projects as needed

This position can be on the candidate's own time and can be located at either the Rebuild by Design offices at New York University or performed from home or another location, if you have access to GIS and the Adobe suite.

Qualifications:

The ideal candidate will have all or most of the following skills:

- A strong interest in urban planning, architecture, environmental studies, government, ecology, or other relevant field and a competent understanding of environmental issues, climate adaptation practices, and policies.
- Strong design skills and experience with InDesign, Photoshop, and GIS.
- Highly organized with excellent written, communication, and editing skills.
- Strong time management and prioritization of tasks.
- Flexibility in hours. The project will fluctuate between 5-10 hours a week.

Salary: \$25 an hour

Application Instructions

Interested applicants should prepare the following and submit to <http://apply.interfolio.com/123559>

- Cover Letter demonstrating why you are qualified for this specific role, and why you want to work with Rebuild by Design to create this material.
- Resume demonstrating relevant experience and link to a folder with up to three sample designs that you have created in the past.

The review of applications will begin immediately, and will continue until the position is filled. If you have any questions, please email info@rebuildbydesign.org. Only applicants who match the qualifications will receive responses.

About Rebuild by Design

As the world faces rising populations, mass migration, climate change, social injustices, and economic challenges, communities can't afford to wait until after the next crisis to plan for the future. Through regional competitions, local engagements, research and policy, Rebuild by Design

is reimagining the way communities find solutions for today's large-scale, complex problems by creating collaborations across communities and governments.

Rebuild convenes global expertise, with regional leadership, and community stakeholders to gain a better understanding of how overlapping environmental and human-made vulnerabilities leave communities at risk. Rebuild's core belief is that through collaboration our communities can grow stronger and better prepared to stand up to whatever challenges tomorrow brings.

Rebuild achieves its mission through a four-pronged approach: regional competitions, place-based engagements, research & policy, and education. We are a small team with a passion for social justice and equity in all our work. We recognize that championing true equity and inclusion begins in our own office. We strongly encourage applications from people of color, women, persons with disabilities, and LGBTQ individuals. If this position speaks to your interest and experiences, we strongly encourage you to apply. If you need any accommodations in the application process, please contact info@rebuildbydesign.org.

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