The Cooper Square Community Land Trust (CSCLT) is seeking to hire an experienced community organizer to help develop and strengthen land trusts in the Lower East Side and throughout New York City, and educate community members and residents on the meaning and import of land trusts. The CSCLT has its roots in the long and successful struggle to defeat an urban renewal plan for Cooper Square that would have displaced thousands of low-income residents. The community and its leaders devised an alternative plan that prioritized keeping people in their homes and renovating the buildings, and the City agreed to transfer the land and housing to a form of community control.

The CSCLT is building new leadership to face new challenges in the coming decade, consolidating its own organizational capacity, and participating in the growing movement to support CLTs throughout the city. The successful applicant will be able to work in a racially and ethnically diverse community across generations, be familiar with New York City housing policies and programs, and have experience in community organizing in New York City neighborhoods. A bachelors and/or masters degree in urban studies, social sciences or social work is a plus, as is ability to speak Spanish. The Community Organizer will report directly to the Project Manager.

The position is part-time with flexible hours, with the potential for expanding to full-time. It is grant-funded and subject to renewal.

Applicants should send resumes to:
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