

Claire Valdez, Democratic Nominee
New York Congressional District 7

Position: Operations Manager

Location: New York City or Washington, DC

Job Overview

Claire Valdez, Democratic nominee for NY-7 and presumptive incoming Congressperson, is seeking an Operations Manager for her congressional office. The Operations Manager is responsible for the office's budget, payroll, benefits, human resources, compliance, vendors, intern/fellowship programs, and internal systems. This is a senior role that reports to the Chief of Staff.

Responsibilities

- Oversee the office's annual Members' Representational Allowance (MRA) budget in coordination with the Chief of Staff.
- Manage district office leases in coordination with the District Director and Chief of Staff.
- Work with the Office of Payroll and Benefits to administer payroll and benefits for staff, including hiring paperwork, student loan repayment agreements, and bonuses.
- Run the office's hiring program, including the process for managing postings, applicant tracking, interview scheduling, and presenting offers.
- Establish and manage the onboarding process for new employees.
- Maintain the office's employee handbook, ensuring policies are consistent with the values of the Member and House administrative rules.
- Ensure compliance with the Congressional Accountability Act and House employment rules.
- Manage relationships with vendors, including security, custodial, software, media, and IT services.
- Manage day-to-day operations, including supplies, assets, technology and accounts, mail, and security procedures.
- Run the office's internship program, including hiring, supervision, and coordination with paid internship programs.
- Run the office's fellowship programs, including coordination with the Legislative Director and/or District Director as necessary.
- Serve as the office's primary contact with the CAO, House Administration Committee, Office of Payroll and Benefits, Office of Finance, and House Information Resources.
- Coordinate official travel policy and disclosure requirements with the Scheduler and Ethics Committee.
- Perform all other duties as assigned by the Member and Chief of Staff.

Qualifications and Characteristics

- Demonstrable experience running operations, finance, or HR for an organization. Preference if the organization had an operating budget of \$1 million or more.

- Exceptional attention to detail and a record of producing flawless financial and personnel work.
- Demonstrable experience managing a budget of \$1 million or more.
- Warm, clear, and direct communication style, including the ability to explain complex rules or processes to colleagues in a simple and understandable way.
- Discretion with confidential personnel and financial information.
- Direct working knowledge of House financial and payroll systems and the Members' Congressional Handbook is preferred.
- Experience running operations or HR for a House or Senate office is preferred.
- Familiarity with office systems and software, including Google Drive, Microsoft 365, Slack, Airtable, Fireside, IQ, Asana, or others.
- Alignment with the Member's democratic socialist values and platform.
- Familiarity with New York City or NY-7 is a plus.

Terms and Compensation

This is a full-time, salaried, benefits-eligible position based in Washington, DC or NY-7, with occasional travel between DC and NY-7. The starting salary is **\$95,000**. Employment will begin upon the Member's swearing-in in January 2027.

How to Apply

Interested applicants should submit a resume and cover letter in PDF form to jobs@clairevaldezforcongress.com with the subject line "Operations Manager Application: [First Name] [Last Name]." Please include the email and phone number for two professional references. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

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