



Bridge Michigan, the state's preeminent public policy online news site, seeks a dogged, curious Capitol reporter who can help us find the stories we know we're missing.

The ideal candidate has an investigative mindset and wants to expose how power is wielded in government. The reporter would be one of three on a state Capitol team and would also work closely with Bridge reporters who cover the environment, health, education, business and data.

Ideally, we're looking for someone with a track record of producing great scoops and clips. A desire and work ethic to be a star is a plus, as you would work with a team of great reporters and editors who will bend over backwards to help you succeed.

We wish to expand our perspective and ways of thinking about what's news, and seek someone who can help uncover stories that need to be told, especially as they demonstrate how public policy, money and politics affect everyday life.

Bridge Michigan is committed to helping reporters produce the best work of their career. We will support you with training, mentorships and generous budgets for travel and records requests.

This is not a breaking news job, although some deadline stories are required. We are adding a third Capitol reporter to solidify an already great team and produce more revelatory, impactful enterprise articles. Each Capitol reporter would rotate one week monitoring and writing breaking news and two weeks working on longer-term stories.

Bridge Michigan is a nonprofit news organization, which means we use the best parts of legacy media but are not beholden to all traditions. We are committed to lifting up diverse, often ignored voices and covering the state in an equitable

manner — but we are also aggressively nonpartisan and committed to challenging conventional wisdom in our reporting.

As a nonprofit, we pride ourselves on being a newsroom that is supportive and allows great ideas to flourish. We try to have a culture of ‘yes,’ and provide a warm, nurturing environment that respects work-life balance. While there may be the occasional long day, we want you to have a healthy life outside work.

Bridge has offices in Lansing and Ypsilanti. The job will require in-person reporting in Lansing, but we are flexible otherwise and trust reporters to determine their best work environment. Bridge is operated by The Center for Michigan, a nonprofit that relies on individual donors, sponsors and philanthropic support and also publishes the editorially independent BridgeDetroit news site.

The targeted compensation for this position begins at \$65,000 annually. Benefits include medical, vision and dental insurance, 4-6 weeks of maternity/paternity/adoption leave, and a minimum three weeks paid time off per year, in addition to eight paid holidays.

To apply, email [jobs@bridgemi.com](mailto:jobs@bridgemi.com) and write “Capitol Reporter” in the subject line. Candidates should include a cover letter explaining how they would approach the position, four to seven work samples and a resume.

The Center for Michigan is an equal opportunity employer, committed to diversity in our workforce and creating an inclusive environment. As we work toward building an organization that better reflects the communities we serve, we especially encourage members of traditionally underrepresented communities to apply, including people of color, women, members of the LGBTQIA+ community, and people with disabilities. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment. The Center for Michigan will not discriminate in its employment practices due to an applicant’s race, color, religion, national origin, sex (including familial status, gender identity, and sexual orientation), age, disability/handicap, height, weight, marital status, familial status, veteran status, citizenship, or any other classification protected by federal or state law or local ordinance.

**Applications should be submitted to [jobs@bridgemi.com](mailto:jobs@bridgemi.com) no later than Wednesday, November 3, 2021.**