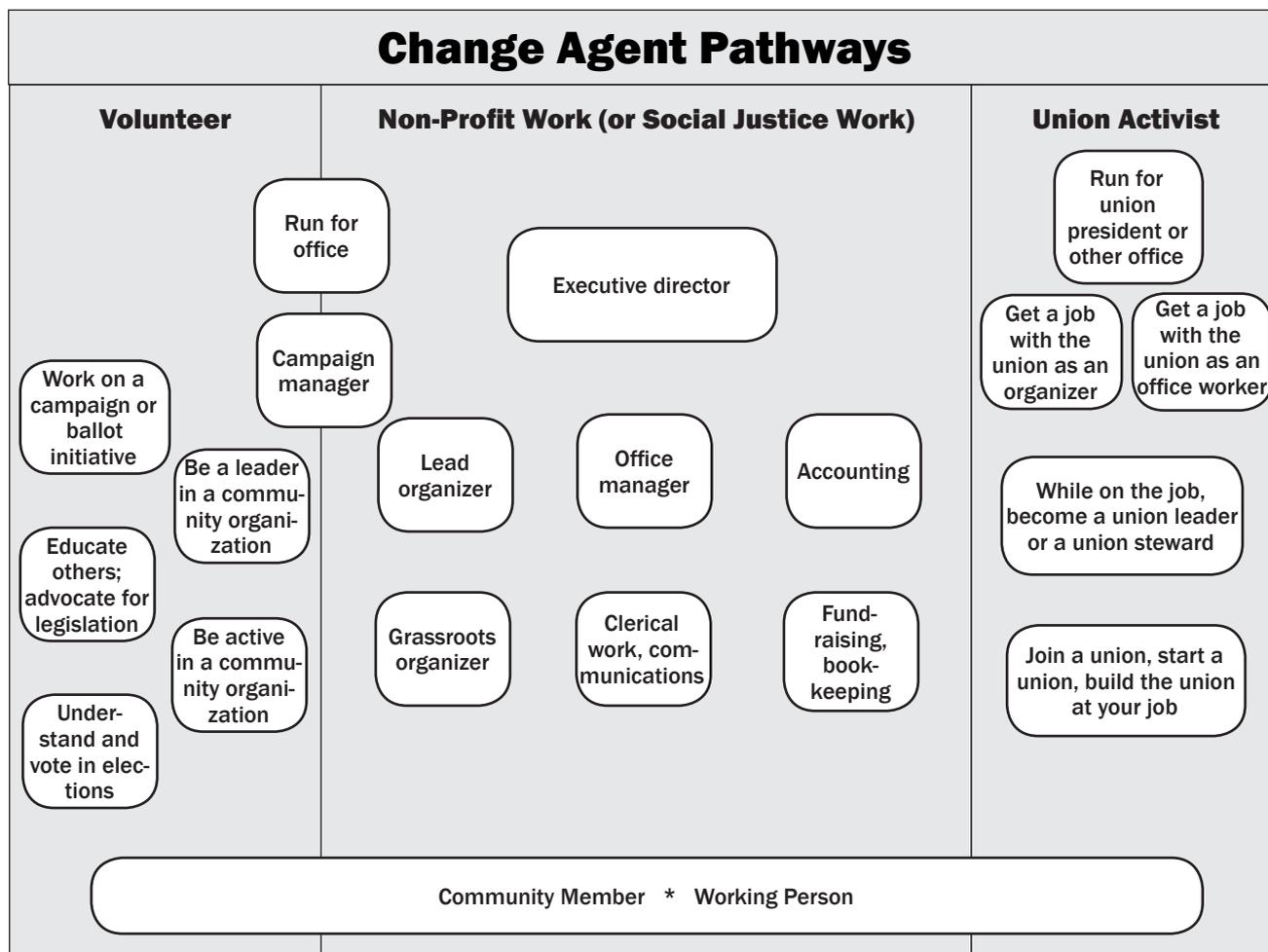


# So You Want to Be a Change Agent?

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**DISCUSS:** What is a “change agent”? In what ways are you a change agent in your life, your family, and your community? (Note: in this context, an “agent” is someone who shows “agency,” someone who is not passive.) According to the chart, what are three main ways you can be a “change agent” in your community? Which ones do you have experience with?

**RESEARCH:** Use a pencil to mark a pathway on this chart that might make sense for you. Use <bls.gov/ooh/> to research the training you would need to move forward and the salary you would earn. (Of course there is no pay for the jobs in the volunteer section. However, consider and discuss the way these volunteer jobs would help equip you for paid jobs.)

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