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JOB DESCRIPTION

Emergency Management Policy Analyst

Infrastructure, Housing and Emergency Management Department

Summary of Duties

The Emergency Management Policy Analyst provides technical support in policy research, analyzing, and evaluating the efficacy of existing policies and programs and laying out the groundwork for new programs and legislation to meet the goals and objectives of the Chiefs-in-Assembly, by way of mandate. The Emergency Management Policy Analyst will work within multi-disciplinary, collaborative team involving partners from a variety of sectors as well as internal NAN departments, NAN First Nations, and Tribal Councils to develop recommendations that will further guide policies and practices supporting NAN individuals, families, and communities.

- Research: Conducting primary and secondary research on various identified policy issues, including gathering data, analyzing trends, reviewing literature, reports and inquests and identifying relevant case studies or best practices. Collect data from communities, partners, and interdepartmental team members as required.
- Analysis: Using analytical tools and methodologies to assess the effectiveness, impact, and implications of existing or proposed policies. This involves identifying strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (SWOT analysis) associated with different policy options.
- Data Interpretation: Interpreting complex data sets and statistics to derive meaningful insights and conclusions. This may involve statistical analysis, data visualization, and other techniques to support evidence-based policy recommendations.
- Policy Monitoring: Keeping abreast of developments in relevant policy areas, including changes in legislation, regulations, funding priorities, and political dynamics. This may involve conducting ongoing analysis and updating stakeholders on emerging trends and implications for policy decisions.
- Policy Development based on goals and objectives of the Chiefs-in-Assembly: Develop policy proposals, including drafting policy documents, briefing papers, reports, and presentations.
- Assist in logistical planning and implementation for in meetings, workplans, activities, workshops and training sessions and objectives related to the program.
- Draft correspondence, proposals, discussion papers, position papers, internal documents and briefing notes for senior management, NAN Chiefs and Executive. Prepare briefing materials on emergency management and EM issues as required/requested
- Maintains strong working relationships with First Nations, regional and national indigenous organizations, Tribal Councils, relevant government agencies, external organizations, and businesses to promote partnerships to strategically advance the organizations initiatives.
- Facilitating program-related meetings and council meetings when required.

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- Participate in all meetings at a local, regional and/or national level as requested and attend all
 organizational meetings as requested.
- Collect and store department data in an efficient, organized, and confidential manner and input documentation as required through scanning for record keeping in SharePoint.
- Support the NAN Chiefs'-in-Assembly, and NAN activities as required.
- Adhering to NAN policies, procedures, and protocols.
- Complete all mandatory training assigned.
- Other duties as required.

Other

- Must have ability to run errands and attend meetings at various locations during working hours.
- This position may require frequent travel at times by car (personal and or rental) or aircraft. The duration of travel may vary from day trips to multi-day overnight travel.

Cross Training:

- This position must be able to do the following duties when required:
 - Creating agendas and transcribe minutes.
 - o Photocopying, organizing, and preparing materials for meetings.
 - o Arrange/approving travel for staff in the department as well as for the delegates.
 - Being the liaison for NAN registration.
 - o Booking venues, arrange catering.
 - Completing and/or approving purchase orders, preparing cheque reqs, honorariums and submitting vendor payments through the HRIS on behalf of the Manager/Director
 - o Correspondence with internal and external partners that attend meetings, conferences etc.
- Provide routine department training to new staff and act as the new employee guide as part of onboarding.

Competencies And Qualifications:

Candidate must possess the following skills and attributes:

Education:

Post-secondary education in one or more of the following fields: political science, public policy, environment and/or social sciences or equivalent combination of education and experience in a related field is required.

Credentials:

Not Applicable

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Experience:

• 3-5 years of practical experience or a combination of education and relevant experience in providing organizations and/or First Nations with strategic policy advice.

Knowledge:

- Extensive knowledge of the broad spectrum of on-going First Nations issues and systems; as well as the trends, directions and models of delivery and governance that affect First Nations in the NAN territory
- High level written, analytical research and presentation skills.
- Strong computer skills with expertise in Microsoft Word, Excel and Power Point.
- Must have working knowledge of federal and provincial legislation and interrelationships with the Indian Act and Treaties #9 and #5.
- Ability to work, and to maintain positive working relations, with First Nation communities, Tribal Councils, and organization, including various government agencies and non-governmental organizations.
- Demonstrated ability to conduct complex research and analysis, including policy research, policy analysis, and writing proposals/reports.
- Demonstrated experience in providing strategic policy advice and synthesizing information into policy documents.
- Initiative and ability to function both independently and as part of the Nishnawbe Aski Nation team.
- Demonstrates a good knowledge in the area of policy and research.
- Position demands a pleasant disposition, flexibility, ability to multi-task, organize, problem solve, set priorities, enter data, and communicate effectively.
- Effective written and computer literacy
- Must be able to respect confidentiality and make sound decisions.
- Must be able to undertake and complete assigned projects and duties independently and effectively.
- Position must be familiar with current community resources.
- General knowledge of methods, techniques, or procedures that are commonly accepted practices within the predominant field of work.
- A good understanding and interest in NAN communities, FN organizations and issues, challenges, and current events.
- Thorough knowledge and understanding of indigenous culture and traditions within the NAN territory and communities.
- Fluency in NAN dialect (Cree, Anishininimowin or Ojibway) an asset.

Effort:

• Light physical effort on a frequent basis with some heavy lifting (up to 40lbs) or moving of materials from time to time.

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- Primarily desk work with prolonged sitting.
- Work requires a moderate level of dexterity requiring minimum keyboarding skills.

Working Conditions:

- Mainly working in an office setting with short periods working in a warehouse setting.
- Working within communities, away from home on a frequent basis.
- Travelling in both commercial and smaller aircraft.
- Highway driving may also be required.
- Working with the public
- Working in various meeting locations as required.

Financial Authority

This position has the authority to approve up to \$10,000.00.

Accountability

The Policy Analyst is under the direction and supervision of the Transportation Manager, in addition to the Director of Infrastructure, Housing and Emergency Management with further accountability for overall performance to the Chief Administrative Officer. The Policy Analyst will receive political and strategic direction from the Infrastructure, Housing and Emergency Management Director. The Policy Analyst is expected to effectively represent NAN in a professional way with First Nations, Tribal Councils, regional and national First Nation organizations and the federal and provincial governments.