

Native American Youth and Family Center

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The Mission of NAYA Family Center is "...to enhance the diverse strengths of our youth and families in partnership with the community through cultural identity and education".

Position Description

Position: Leadership Development Coordinator

Department/Program: Community Development **Compensation:** \$60,000 - \$65,000/Annually

Benefits: Paid time off is based on tenure with the agency and includes accruals of sick

and vacation hours. NAYA recognizes 14 paid holidays per calendar year. NAYA also provides medical, dental, vision insurance and Life Insurance. Employees may enroll in a 401K retirement plan after 3 months of

employment.

Employment Status:Regular, Full-Time, Non-ExemptSupervision:No supervisory requirementsReports To:Government Affairs Manager

Job Location: Portland, OR; Hybrid, in-office 3 days per week (Tuesday – Thursday)

Created/Revised: August 2024

Position Description:

We are seeking a mission-driven, dedicated individual to support our leadership development programs, with a focus on empowering the Native American community. The ideal candidate will be passionate about fostering leadership and advocacy skills within community members and NAYA clients, with strong community organizing and program facilitation skills. The Leadership Development Coordinator will oversee the LEAD (Leadership, Entrepreneurial, Apprenticeship, and Design) program, which nurtures leadership and civic engagement among Native professionals, and the Portland Youth and Elders Council (PYEC), which promotes intergenerational collaboration to address community needs. This role requires a big-picture thinker who can motivate clients to engage in ongoing leadership and civic engagement opportunities. The Community Development Department at NAYA, where this role resides, is dedicated to housing, asset building, community wealth building, and systems change, and is known for being hard-working, passionate, and creative.

Essential Functions:

- Lead program implementation of the LEAD program, Portland Youth and Elders Council (PYEC) and the Community Advisory Panel (CAP)
- Coordinate regular ongoing Portland Youth and Elders Council meetings to identify and discuss key issues in the AI/AN community
- Cultivate and develop the Community Advisory Panel to further mobilize and engage community through policy, advocacy, and systems change
- Outreach, develop and maintain relationships with community members and organizations to coordinate leadership development programming and advocacy trainings
- Coordinate a 4–8-month community leadership development program focused in developing strong professional skills among cohort members
- Provide trainings and ongoing professional development opportunities to graduates of the LEAD program
- Collaborate with NAYA community engagement staff to develop monthly workshops and trainings

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- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with internal staff and external community partners
- Actively recruit NAYA clients and program participants including residents from NAYA's housing units
- Support NAYA clients and residents in developing their own advocacy skills, and support them in becoming systems change advocates

Additional Duties:

- Manage deadlines, tasks, anticipate and adjust for change, set goals, and evaluate results
- Support the coordination of wraparound services effectively with other NAYA Family Center programs and staff; understand and adhere to client confidentiality
- Input data, and maintain NAYA and/or contractually required information database systems to track client information, which includes entering client data, assisting and/or preparing periodic reports
- Work as an active member of the Community Development Department
- Participate actively in cross-departmental team projects
- Write monthly narrative reports and contribute to grant writing as requested
- Contribute to fostering a safe and secure environment for community members and staff
- Other duties as assigned by the Government Affairs Manager

Qualifications:

Education & Training:

- Bachelor's degree in public policy, communications, political science, sociology, urban planning, or related field preferred; or a minimum three (3) years of experience in coalition building, community advocacy, public policy, or non-profit leadership experience or similar
- Knowledge of Native American history, an understanding of the diversity of the local American Indian/Alaska Native community and issues surrounding the Urban Indian experience required

Certifications/Credentials:

 Certification (or ability to certify) and ability to maintain certification in Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), 1st Aid and Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)

Experience:

- Comfortable public speaking and leading trainings
- Experience working within diverse populations, specifically with the urban Native American population, strongly preferred

Skills:

- Excellent interpersonal communication and collaboration skills
- Strong project management, organization, planning skills, and detail oriented
- Autonomous and able to execute work responsibilities with minimal supervision
- Ability to manage stress and remain flexible in a changing environment
- Demonstrated ability to work both independently and as part of a team
- Comfortable speaking in large groups or with individuals
- Ability to deal with different people and situations appropriately, including effective communication with people from diverse backgrounds
- Employ critical thinking and good judgment in decision making
- · Ability to take initiative and prioritize tasks using time-management and problem-solving skills
- Strong verbal and writing skills, including public presentation skills, meeting facilitation and active listening
- Strong computer and technology skills

Work Environment: 75% office/classroom/home/remotely, 25% outside office including travel time. NAYA employees are expected to work on site most of the week. With supervisory approval, employees may be able to work at home 1 to 2 days per week after successful onboarding.

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Physical Requirements:

- The employee is occasionally required to stand; walk; sit; use hands to finger, handle, or feel objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms; climb stairs; balance; stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl; talk or hear; taste or smell
- The employee may be required to sit for extended periods of time.
- The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 30 pounds.
- Specific vision abilities required by the job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

Equipment Used: Computer, phone, fax, copy machine. **Safety Considerations:** Some travel may be required.

Other Requirements:

- 1. Valid Oregon or Washington State Driver License or must be able to obtain one upon hire (must be eligible to be an insured driver under NAYA Family Center's liability insurance policy which requires an Oregon or Washington)
- 2. Successful completion of a background investigation (including a fingerprint criminal history check; see here for more information)

Application Procedures:

Interested candidates should submit:

- 1. A <u>Cover Letter</u> addressing your qualifications for the position and why you are interested in joining the NAYA Family Center team
- 2. A current Resume

Application forms and additional information about employment at NAYA Family Center can be found at http://www.nayapdx.org/about/jobs.

Application Deadline: September 18, 2024

Attention: Incomplete applications will not be considered. Electronically submitted applications are preferred. Due to the sheer number applicants, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Please respect our no phone calls policy. This job description does not constitute an employment agreement and is subject to change by the employer due to changes in grants and funding sources.

Please send application materials to:

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