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Indigenous Advisor, 2019 Community Foundations Conference

Community Foundations of Canada is seeking an individual to work as an Indigenous Advisor as we prepare for a multi-day conference from June 5-8 2019 on the ancestral lands of the Lekwungen people of the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations. Our gathering will bring together more than 600 community leaders from across Canada and around the world. CFC aims to host an event that takes action and demonstrates our commitment and leadership on reconciliation. We seek to embed respect, reciprocity, truth, and reconciliation throughout our planning, programming and activities. The Indigenous Advisor will offer cultural guidance and various supports every step of the way.

More information about the Conference is available here:

<http://communityfoundations.ca/conference-2019/>

This is a part-time, contract position that takes place between October 2018 and July 2019.

The key functions of the position are:

- help CFC build internal capacity to respectfully honour the protocols and develop meaningful relationship locally, as we get set to host our event on this ancestral territory
- provide culturally sensitive advice and guidance for planning, strategy, such that Indigenous perspectives are embedded and reflected in conference materials, pre, during and post event
- work with CFC staff and conference organizers to strengthen relationships and exchanges with local Indigenous Nations and community leaders
- help CFC staff build awareness for history, cultures, protocols in work leading up to and at the conference
- provide support to help us ensure a multiplicity of perspectives are heard, made visible and support participants and presenters who are seeking to introduce disruptive discourse and/or decentre dominant voices.
- support and assist CFC in developing appropriate Indigenous welcome, opening, closing sessions for the conference and being on site from June 5-8 2019 for approximately 4-8 hours/day
- work with CFC's team and potentially a group of Indigenous youth or others to develop and provide context and reflective elements on the conference content for our delegates on stage during the plenary and in concurrent sessions
- coordinate onsite activities and space to connect conference participants to Indigenous practices and perspectives



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Preference will be given to Indigenous applicants who have practical knowledge of the protocols of one or more of the local first nations communities.

The position is a contract, part time position (a maximum of approximately 4 hrs per week for the period of October 2018-March 2018 paid at an hourly rate), with possibility of increased hours in the weeks immediately preceding the conference and during the conference itself (which runs from 8 am to 6 pm 5-8 June 2019). We are flexible on work schedule to meet the needs of the selected candidate.

APPLICATION

Applicants are asked to forward a brief cover letter expressing their interest and their ideas for how they would advance the key responsibilities set out above as well as their own vision of how to improve the liaison between the CFC and our First Nations hosts.

Electronically (in word, rtf, html, pdf format) to: ekasungu@communityfoundations.ca

Or by post or hand delivered to: 600-123 Slater St, Ottawa ON K1P 5H2

Inquiries regarding the position can be directed via email to Erin Kasungu
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Deadline for application is October 10, 2018.