Grants Manager

King County Regional Homelessness Authority

Role Title: Manager, Grants

Salary Range: \$95,000 - \$120,000 per year

Organizational Overview

The King County Regional Homelessness Authority (the Authority) oversees all homelessness related programming and prevention initiatives in the Seattle/King County region. Created via an interlocal agreement between the City of Seattle and King County in 2019, the Authority is charged with building and implementing a regional approach to ending homelessness in King County. To accomplish this, the Authority is specifically tasked with:

- 1. Engaging and centering people with lived experience;
- 2. Focusing on justice-based approaches to actively address disproportionalities in the population experiencing homelessness; and
- 3. Integrating the perspectives of a wide range of stakeholders across King County through a sub-regional planning process that recognizes the unique attributes of communities within the county.

The Authority is currently in its founding era and seeks dynamic and skilled leaders at all levels.

Team Overview

The Grants Office within the Regional Authority is responsible for grant-funded homelessness service related strategy development, procurement, contract implementation, compliance monitoring and overall oversight within the agency. The team has direct lines of interaction with all offices across the agency, working closely with the Executive Office to ensure direct alignment with the big-picture strategy and goals of the Regional Authority. The team has approximately five (5) team members working directly in related offices.

Role Description

The Grants Manager works closely with the Deputy Chief of Programs to lead the procurement and grant-funding responsibilities within the Program Division at the Regional Authority. As the primary team lead of the Grants Team, the Manager works in support of the agency's mission to provide high-quality, customer-centered services to Seattle/King County community members through a series of initiatives and programs that support grant-funded housing and anti-homelessness related programming. The Grants Manager will partner closely with System Performance team staff members at all levels, the Chief and Deputy Chief of Programs, and the Finance Director. This role primarily leads and oversees projects related to management of the Regional Authority's homelessness services procurement process, managing the Authority's public competitive grant-funding through an explicitly equity-based procurement processes, managing and continuously improving the Authority's grants workflows and grants management system software, ensuring that Program Division staff are supported in effectively collaborating with Finance Department staff to meet timely Accounts Payable metrics, and ensure effective, efficient, and equity-focused compliance. Where new grants management system software should be implemented, the Grants Manager will have primary responsibility for managing any consultants and vendors to ensure a seamless, effective implementation. Reporting directly to the Deputy Chief, the Grants Manager has four (4) direct reports.

In the initial implementation phase of the Authority, there are significant systems integration and implementation projects that the Authority and the Program Delivery and Performance division will undertake, and the Grants Manager will engage in various ways to support those projects.

The Grants Manager will be ultimately accountable to the Chief Executive Officer and people experiencing homelessness and will be held to the processes that customers of the Regional Authority's services, community groups, and frontline staff establish to ensure that accountability.

Accountabilities

Project Management and Continuous Improvement (70%)

- Support the Deputy Chief Program Officer in the development and design of strategy for equity-based program procurement projects, and efficient, effective management of contract life-cycle
- Support the procurement and implementation of an enterprise grants management system to support the procurement life-cycle of the Authority's public contracting and maintenance of the core contracted body of work
- Develop a work plan to ensure clear and timely identification of objectives and fiscal resources needed
- Support the Deputy in ensuring that team capacity is aligned to project needs in order to promote the execution of short term and long-term goals
- Oversee the day-to-day operations of all grants-funded procurement projects
- Monitor and track goals and progress for projects related to grant procurement, contract initiation, and compliance monitoring
- Collaborate with the Deputy to create continuous feedback loops with stakeholder groups to inform vertical resourcing leveraging a data-driven approach on projects of oversight
- Manage implementation of project-related adjustments as a part of continuous improvement efforts

Staff Supervision (20%)

- Manage approximately four staff on the Grants Team and work collaboratively with stakeholders across the regional authority to support grant-related project planning, progress tracking and plan implementation
- Ensure professional growth and related supports for direct reports
- Support the Deputy Chief and Chief Program Officer in planning and leading team retreats or other professional development activities as a supervisor on the Grants Team
- Model a customer-centric work-style through leadership and personal accountability towards inclusive practices

Stakeholder Engagement (10%)

- Engage relevant stakeholder groups in an ongoing way to drive continuous improvement and design efforts for projects of oversight
- Attend relevant meetings with community-based organizations, other government agencies and partners, broadly to support informed design, resource building and resource sharing
- Actively build relationships with innovators across sectors to support driving creative innovation and change within workstreams of oversight

Minimum Requirements

- Fluency in equity and racial justice concepts and language, understand their own privilege and power, and is able to bring equity impact analysis to life in the context of their tasks
- 5-7+ years of related work experience in the government, non-profit or related field
- 2+ years of experience as a project manager
- Bachelor's degree or Master's degree (preferred) in a related field or equivalent experience in organizational operations and oversight in the housing/ anti-homelessness sector
- A track record of success in managing people and leading teams of 2-4+ people
- Budget management experience
- Proficiency/comfort using technology and data, including Microsoft Office Suite

Additional Requirements

- Ability to travel up to 10%, in state and out-of-state
- Experience working across government agencies and related structures/governing bodies
- A track record of success in operations and stakeholder engagement
- Experience designing and operating programs or projects and conducting data-driven continuous improvement processes

- Superior oral and written communication skills
- Experience managing a team; a commitment to differentiating management to support success, growth and development of a diverse workforce
- Exceptional planning, organizing, and prioritizing skills in order to manage a diverse workload, multiple demands, and deadline sensitive projects
- A high level of customer service orientation and attention to detail
- Ability to provide and accept feedback
- Ability to work in and across several communication platforms, including social networks and cloud- based systems
- Strong attention to detail, accuracy, timeliness

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