YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Position: YOUTH ADVISOR

TEMPORARY EXPERT PROFESSIONAL (18 years old+)

CLASSIFICATION PURPOSE AND DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

The Youth Advisor will use their expertise and lived experience to engage and outreach to diverse youth in San Diego County through the Live Well San Diego Youth Sector. The Youth Advisor will serve the essential role of incorporating youth voice and leadership into the implementation of meaningful youth engagement and communication to young people in the region. The Youth Advisor will conduct professional-level duties with the added expertise of a youth lens to effectively manage the coordination of the Youth Leadership Team and guide participating youth and young adults.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Essential Functions:

- Serve as an expert, with lived experience as a youth in San Diego County, and coordinate collaborative meetings to advise County staff on how to engage youth meaningfully throughout the County of San Diego and Live Well San Diego Youth Sector
- Recruit diverse youth from around the region to join the Live Well San Diego Youth Sector and Youth Leadership Team
- Develop a plan to meaningfully engage youth in the County of San Diego via the Live Well San Diego Youth Sector.
- Coordinate trainings, projects, educational campaigns, and events that effectively teach and engage San Diego’s youth about a variety of regional issues and topics, in an innovative and youth-focused manner
- Research new strategies to effectively translate complex ideas to youth and young adults
- Interpret metrics for youth engagement and collect youth data to report a variety of youth engagement strategies and techniques
- Write job descriptions and define roles and responsibilities for proceeding cohort of Youth Sector staff.
- Serve as an advisor to Youth Leaders, members, and leadership of the Youth Sector

Examples of Job Functions of ‘22-‘23 Youth Advisors:

1. Schedule one-on-one support meetings with Youth Leaders
2. Guide Youth Leaders in plans to identify and accomplish personal and professional goals
3. Promote early career exploration, professional development, and opportunities for members of the Youth Sector
4. Maintain open lines of communication with Youth Leaders via email, text, and GroupMe.
5. Address questions and concerns as needed
6. College advising
   a. Personal statement editing and proofreading
7. Support for conflict resolution
   a. Resolve Youth Leader performance inconsistencies
   b. Group mediation
8. Promote youth health and support overall wellness
   a. Provide resources as needed
      i. e.g., Bring awareness to Live Well Center services
      ii. e.g., Share organizational strategies and techniques to maintain a positive work [and/or school]-life balance

**KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

**Knowledge of:**

- Having lived experience as a youth in San Diego County
- Principles and practices of meaningful youth engagement in civic service
- Effective communication strategies and platforms utilized by/popular with youth
- Data collection, analysis, and interpretation
- Report writing techniques
- Telephone, office, and online etiquette.

**Skills and Abilities to:**

- Integrate lived experience as a youth in San Diego County into the development and implementation of meaningful youth engagement and outreach throughout the County
- Collaborate with other Youth Advisor(s), youth leadership team members, County staff, and other adult allies
- Remain flexible in program implementation
- Be available for weekly evening meetings
- Engage diverse youth in San Diego County
- Make oral presentations
- Develop and execute lesson plans for training content
- Communicate clearly, concisely, and effectively orally and in writing
- Communicate effectively with a variety of individuals representing diverse cultures and backgrounds and function calmly in challenging situations, which require a high degree of sensitivity, tact, and diplomacy
- Outreach to diverse and historically underserved youth throughout the County through a variety of strategies about youth-focused topics

**Desirable Traits**
Lived experience of being a youth in San Diego County, leadership skills, effective and open communication, ability to hold self and others accountable, problem solving and innovation, demonstrated ethical behavior, experience leveraging resources (coaches and develops), maximizes team effectiveness, supportive of change.

**Education and/or Experience**

Education, training, and/or experience that demonstrate possession of the knowledge, skills and abilities listed above. Qualifying education and experience:

- Demonstrated experience in youth leadership through high school, college, and/or community organizations.
- Work experience that demonstrates ability to communicate, coordinate, and plan.
- Documented training or other course work related to leadership, organizing, planning, and/or communication.

**REQUIRED LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS OR REGISTRATIONS**

**License**

A valid California Class C driver's license, which must be maintained throughout employment in this class, is required at time of appointment, or the ability to arrange necessary and timely transportation for field travel. Employees in this class may be required to use their own vehicle.

**Certification/Registration**

None Required.

**SPECIAL NOTES**

**Working Conditions**

Work may take place in an office environment or in a remote or work from home setting. Work involves exposure to computer screens and use of basic office equipment.

**Essential Physical Characteristics**

_The physical characteristics described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this classification. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of a job, on a case-by-case basis._

**Continuous:**

- Upward and downward flexion of the neck.

**Frequent:**

- Sitting
- Repetitive use of hands, grasping, and fine manipulation of hands to operate computers
• printers, and copiers
• Lifting of objects weighing up to 10 pounds

Occasional:
• Walking
• Standing
• Bending and twisting of the neck
• Bending and twisting of the waist
• Grasping
• Pushing
• Pulling
• Reaching above and below shoulder level
• Lifting objects weighing up to 25 pounds.

Background Investigation

Must have a reputation for honesty and trustworthiness. Misdemeanor and/or felony convictions may be disqualifying depending on type, number, severity, and recency. Prior to appointment, candidates will be subject to a background investigation.

CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT-Vaccine Requirements

Employees hired on or after October 15, 2021, are required to be fully vaccinated* against COVID-19 before beginning employment. If you receive a conditional offer of employment, a copy of your vaccination card must be provided at the time of background.

Current County employees hired on or before October 14, 2021, are required to provide a copy of their vaccine card showing they are fully vaccinated, or undergo Covid-19 diagnostic testing and wear a facemask in the workplace.

Employees who work at County locations subject to the California Department of Public Health State Public Health Officer order are required to be fully vaccinated by the following dates:

• Health and congregate care settings – September 30, 2021
• Medical areas of jails/correctional facilities – October 14, 2021