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AGE FRIENDLY STRATEGY (AFS) LEAD

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EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Exempt – Regular Full-Time

SCOPE

The Age Friendly Strategy (AFS) Lead supports the implementation of Surrey's Age Friendly Strategy. This position works collaboratively across all City departments and the community to support an age-friendly culture in service delivery, planning and project development. The AFS Lead will report to the Healthy Communities Manager in the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department.

The AFS Lead will represent the City to external partners, community agencies, and government bodies on issues related to seniors and older adults. The role assists in organizing programs, advises on emerging issues, and works with partners to create innovative, community focused approaches that support healthy aging, social inclusion, and the ability for seniors to age in place.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Build and maintain strong relationships with community organizations, provincial and federal partners and internal City departments to support seniors and older adults.
- Apply an equity lens to planning, decision making, and evaluation for all age-friendly programs, services, and initiatives.
- Assists in identifying and secure funding opportunities, including grants and sponsorships to support programs and events for seniors.
- Coordinates the Age Friendly portfolio within approved financial parameters.
- Lead the implementation and future updates of the Age Friendly Strategy and Action Plan.
- Monitor and report on the impact of the Age Friendly Strategy and Action Plan using data and feedback. Collaborate with experts and partners to plan, organize, and deliver events, workshops, conferences, and learning opportunities across key focus areas such as social engagement, safety, health and wellness, transportation, and housing.
- Support education and awareness initiatives related to elder abuse, neglect and prevention.
- Champion and promote Surrey as an Age Friendly City to external agencies, partners, and other levels of government.
- Respond to inquiries from members of the public and provide information, guidance, or issue resolution in collaboration with partners.
- Collaborate across Parks, Recreation and Culture, including the Seniors Functional Team and Accessibility and Inclusion, to deliver components of the Age-Friendly Strategy and Action Plan.

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QUALIFICATIONS

- Post secondary diploma or degree in Social Work, Gerontology, Public Health, Community Development, Recreation, or a related field.
- A minimum of two years of progressively responsible, related experience, ideally within seniors' services, community development, accessibility, recreation, or social planning. Candidates with 3–5 years of experience in these areas are preferred.
- Demonstrated understanding of age-friendly principles, seniors' priorities and needs, and community development approaches.
- Working knowledge of municipal governance, including provincial and federal programs and services that support seniors.
- Experience with funding programs, grant writing, and sponsorship development.
- Strong project management and organizational skills, including the ability to develop, implement, and report on strategic action plans.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to work effectively with members of the public, community partners, stakeholders, City departments, and government agencies.
- Proven ability to plan and coordinate events such as workshops, conferences, and community engagement opportunities.
- Ability to develop and implement strategies that address aging-related priorities and improve community outcomes.
- Proven ability to build and maintain effective partnerships with diverse stakeholders.
- Ability to monitor budgets and financial resources effectively.
- Ability to collect data and develop reports to demonstrate the impact of service delivery.
- Possess a valid BC driver's license.

OTHER INFORMATION

- Pay Grade: P1 - \$89,817 - \$105,667
- This position requires completion of a Police Information Check
- Successful applicants must provide proof of qualifications

APPLY

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