



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER (PRINCE GEORGE, BC)

On behalf of our client, Lheidli T'enneh First Nation, we are searching for an Economic Development Manager to join their team. The Lheidli T'enneh, historically known as the Fort George Indian Band is a community that is built on and around the strength of its people; T'enneh means "The People", and the name "Lheidli" means "The People from the Confluence of the River" in the Carrier language, referring to how the Nechako River enters the Fraser River at Prince George. The Lheidli T'enneh and their communities are built on the strength, guidance, and leadership provided by their elders and on the passion, innovation, and motivation of their youth to move forward in positive ways and change the world. With 4.5 million hectares of land under Title and Rights, many economic development opportunities are tied closely to Lheidli T'enneh Land and Water Resources (mining, logging, fishing, hunting, tourism, etc.)

The Lheidli T'enneh Economic Development Department develops, implements, and manages economic opportunities and strategies. Working with the Chief & Council, and Administration, the Economic Development Department focuses on projects that benefit the Lheidli Band and its members. Such opportunities can include, partnerships, joint ventures, revenue sharing agreements, employment agreements as well as funding opportunities. Reporting to the Executive Director, the Economic Development Manager prepares, plans, organizes, controls, and evaluates all economic development policies, projects, programs, and initiatives through established procedures. The Economic Development Manager will focus on the development of local capacity to effectively develop, manage, and govern economic development initiatives as recommended in the Lheidli T'enneh Strategic Plan, and the Comprehensive Community Plan. This individual will work on the advancement of opportunities facing the Nation and will work in partnership with a host of organizations to further economic development growth within Lheidli T'enneh.

Key Responsibilities:

- Identify, analyze, prepare business case, negotiate, and overall manage the potential economic development opportunities for the nation
- Evaluate economic development policies, processes, and procedures
- Provide input and assist in the implementation of the Lheidli T'enneh Strategic Plan
- Establish, develop, and maintain effective working relationships with departmental staff, municipal employees, external stakeholders, and the general public
- Identify and source funds for capital projects for overall community growth
- Evaluates projects that are grant-eligible according to applicable regulations and criteria
- Complete grant applications and identify funding opportunities
- Evaluates and monitor planned disposition of land owned by the nation
- Collaborates with legal professionals to assist in the preparation of necessary documents
- Conducts special research and/or analyzes economic development program activities
- Performs other duties as required or assigned

Skills & Qualifications:

- Post- Secondary Degree in Business Administration, Management, Economics, Commerce or equivalent
- Must have a minimum of three (3) years of previous experience in economic/business development or a similar role in management
- Certification as Ec.D or PMP or the eligibility and willingness to be certified is preferred
- Knowledge of First Nation economic development and legislation affecting First Nations both locally and nationally
- Proven ability to work effectively in a high-demand, complex work environment



- Strong problem-solving and analytical skills
- The ability to influence, negotiate and mediate at all levels of the organization
- High standards of ethics and confidentiality with a demonstrated ability to effectively handle sensitive information
- Ability to analyze, prepare and reconcile budgets and expenditures

If you are interested in learning more about this exciting opportunity, kindly forward your resume to kam.ketler@clearchoicehr.ca. We thank all interested applicants, however; only those selected to move forward will be contacted.