HOUSING NETWORK

Scope of Work: Policy Hub Evaluation Consultant

Engagement Type: Limited-hours consultant scope of work
Location: Warwick, RI

About the Housing Network of Rhode Island (HNRI)

The Housing Network of Rhode Island (HNRI) was founded in 1992 as the state's association of nonprofit community development corporations. Collectively, HNRI's members have built thousands of affordable homes and initiated community revitalization projects that strengthen neighborhoods across Rhode Island. In 2017, HNRI launched the Housing Opportunities Initiative—now known as Homes RI—to build public will for affordable housing solutions statewide.

As HNRI looks ahead, its new three-year strategic plan marks an evolution from a member service organization to a broader alliance focused on advancing affordable housing solutions through coalition building, increasing public support, and policy advocacy. HNRI believes that safe, high-quality, affordable housing is a basic human right and the foundation for well-being. Grounded in equity, collaboration, and people-centered solutions, HNRI works to ensure that all Rhode Islanders live in safe, healthy, and affordable homes in thriving communities.

Scope Overview

HNRI seeks a consultant to provide limited support in policy evaluation, stakeholder engagement, technical assistance, and systems-change initiatives focused on housing access and stability. Work will be guided by a project-specific work plan developed with the Cross Sector Systems Lead. Activities may include collaboration with housing providers, public housing authorities, developers, healthcare and behavioral health organizations, service providers, and individuals with lived experience.

Policy & Systems Analysis

- Review housing policies and practices identified by HNRI.
- Develop practical recommendations related to supportive housing, housing stability, prevention, and tenant-centered approaches.
- Assist with policy tools and implementation resources as needed.

Evaluation & Reporting

- Document project activities, outcomes, and lessons learned.
- Support monitoring and evaluation efforts.
- Track policy changes, stakeholder engagement, and collaborative efforts.
- Assist with grant reporting and project deliverables.

Desired Qualifications

- Experience in housing, public policy, social work, public health, planning, community development, evaluation, or related fields.
- Knowledge of housing access, homelessness, supportive housing, behavioral health, or systems-change initiatives.
- Strong facilitation, stakeholder engagement, writing, and communication skills.
- Ability to turn complex information into practical recommendations.

Preferred Experience

- Work with housing authorities, affordable housing providers, homelessness systems, or Rhode Island housing and human services programs.
- Experience with consulting on government funded projects
- Knowledge of OUD/SUD, harm reduction, recovery supports, and behavioral health systems.
- Experience conducting focus groups, community engagement, training, technical assistance, or policy development.

Compensation: $100.00 per hour for 75 hours/year

To Express Interest

Please submit a cover letter or statement of interest, resume, and summary of relevant experience to **Emmeline Orellana** at **eorellana@housingnetworkri.org**. Applications will be reviewed based on experience and alignment with the scope of work.