

Date January 14, 2022

**RE: Request for Expressions of Interest from BC Indigenous organizations to host an Indigenous youth intern, summer 2022**

Greetings from the BC Public Service Agency's Indigenous Youth Internship Program.

The Indigenous Youth Internship Program is seeking expressions of interest (EOI) from BC Indigenous organizations. Placements will provide educational, meaningful and supportive employment opportunities for Indigenous youth interns across a three-month period between June 1, 2022 – August 31, 2022. The intern's salary is paid for by the provincial government.

Indigenous youth interns have a wide variety of backgrounds, work experiences and skill sets that will benefit Indigenous organizations. Intern education and experience include a vast range of areas including many of the following: youth engagement, project management, research and analysis, conference and event coordination, policy analysis and development, strategic planning, communications, website and social media development, and community liaising. In addition, Indigenous youth interns will have completed a nine-month ministry placement, acquiring valuable knowledge of provincial government programs and processes. Indigenous organization placements can involve work on specific projects or programs; include job shadowing opportunities; meeting, conference, and event coordination/attendance; and other learning/professional development opportunities. Interns are seeking structured placements that offer interesting opportunities to assist, learn, and grow as emerging professionals and leaders.

If your Indigenous organization is interested in hosting an Indigenous youth intern this summer, please complete and submit the attached EOI 2022 form by the deadline of February 28, 2022. Organizations will be informed of the outcome of their submission by mid-April 2022. Selected organizations will be matched with a qualified Indigenous youth intern whose interests, goals, experience and qualifications best align with the available positions.

**Important dates for Indigenous organization placements**

- **Deadline for EOI is February 28, 2022.**
- **Indigenous organizations informed of outcome mid-April 2022.**
- **Internship placement begins June 1, 2022.**
- **Internship placement ends August 31, 2022.**

Submitting EOI form

Please submit the completed EOI 2022 form by email or fax to Gwen Leahy, acting Program Coordinator, Indigenous Youth Internship Program no later than February 28, 2022.

eMail: [Gwen.Leahy@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Gwen.Leahy@gov.bc.ca) Phone: 236 478-1419

For more program information, please see our program website [IYIP](#) or contact Dawn Lindsay-Burns, acting Program Lead by phone at 778-698-9699 or by email at [Dawn.LindsayBurns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.LindsayBurns@gov.bc.ca).

Thank you for your support of this important program for Indigenous youth in BC!

Yours truly,



Dawn Lindsay-Burns,  
Acting Program Lead, IYIP

Attachment