#### ALASKA PUBLIC MEDIA

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# Rural/Training Editor on The Alaska Desk

Alaska Public Media's new collaborative

**Salary:** \$70,000

Location: Alaska based

Reports to: Alaska Public Media's broadcast managing editor

#### Overview:

Alaska Public Media is hiring a rural/training editor for its new, CPB-funded statewide reporting initiative called The Alaska Desk. This initiative is aimed at enhancing the public radio network's statewide coverage by addressing news deserts and increasing collaboration across more than a dozen stations.

The Alaska Desk will be staffed by four reporters and three editors with a statewide focus.

The rural/training editor will develop a system for training every public media reporter who starts work in Alaska and will help reporters across Alaska deepen their journalism and produce stories of statewide significance. The rural training editor will also develop a regular training program that will benefit every reporter in the statewide network.

The rural/training editor will work on The Alaska Desk, and be an employee of Alaska Public Media, Anchorage's award-winning NPR and PBS station.

# Applicants will be expected to provide:

- A resume.
- A cover letter that addresses the candidate's professional level work experience as it relates to all required and preferred qualifications.

# **Essential duties and responsibilities:**

- Develops a system to onboard and train every reporter who starts work in the statewide news network.
- Edits stories from reporters around the state, from the story idea phase to final production.
- Works closely with editors in the network to craft and execute daily coverage plans.
- Develops regular training for all reporters in the statewide network on best practices for journalism.
- Edits journalism across mediums.
- Other duties as assigned.

# Required qualifications:

- At least five years journalism experience.
- Experience editing and providing feedback to reporters.
- Experience training journalists.
- Deep knowledge of Alaska issues.
- Must be well-versed in cultures and traditions of rural Alaska life.
- Ability to work in a team-based organization.
- Application of high journalistic standards and news judgment.

## Preferred qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in journalism.
- Three years editing experience.
- Proficient at operating recording equipment and sound editing software.

## **Employee expectations:**

- Detail oriented with ability to manage multiple tasks.
- Flexible, adaptable, and proven ability to work in a deadline-driven environment.
- Must be able to occasionally work various hours including nights, weekends and holidays.
- Must have access to reliable transportation, including during inclement weather.

## Compensation:

This position is contingent upon grant funding. The rural/training editor position is funded by a two-year grant from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. Grant partners

will work to sustain the position at the end of the grant term, but that funding is not guaranteed.

Competitive benefits package including health, vision and dental insurance, a 401(k) match, generous parental leave, vacation time off and 12 paid holidays.

#### Location:

This position could be located at any public media station in Alaska, pending approval, with the option to work from home part of the time.

# How to apply:

Interested candidates should apply by uploading their cover letter and resume at <u>alaskapublic.org/careers</u> by July 12 at 5 p.m. AST. Have questions about this position? Contact Alaska Public Media's broadcast managing editor Annie Feidt at <u>afeidt@alaskapublic.org</u>.