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# Anchorage communities reporter

Salary: \$55,400 Location: Anchorage Department: News Reports to: Alaska Public Media's digital managing editor FLSA Status: Full-time (40 hours per week), non-exempt, eligible for overtime compensation

Alaska Public Media is hiring an Anchorage communities reporter to join its city team and cover the communities and cultures that make up the state's largest city.

Our ideal candidate is eager to dive beyond press releases and meeting agendas, and report enterprise stories that center on the people who call Anchorage home and that reflect the diversity of the city.

The Anchorage reporter will join the award-winning team at Alaska Public Media, Anchorage's NPR and PBS station.

## Applicants will be expected to provide:

- A resume.
- A cover letter that addresses the candidate's work experience as it relates to all required and preferred qualifications.
- Up to three stories you reported, along with a few sentences explaining the backstory of each piece.

## Essential duties and responsibilities:

- Be curious and let that curiosity drive an ever-growing story list that mixes daily reporting with longer-term pieces.
- Be adept at listening to underserved communities to help find stories that are important to Anchorage residents.

- Develop and maintain a network of diverse sources to ensure your reporting reflects all of the people who call the city home.
- Regularly report and produce engaging stories for broadcast and digital.
- Collaborate with other Alaska Public Media staff on various news and public affairs projects and initiatives.
- Serve as the fill-in morning news host.
- Meet deadlines, abide by AP style and uphold professional journalistic standards.
- Other duties as assigned.

## Required qualifications:

- At least two years reporting experience.
- Ability to work in a team-based organization.
- Strong writing and reporting skills, excellent news judgment and a commitment to accurate and ethical journalism.

## Preferred qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree.
- Experience in audio production and a strong grasp of digital journalism, from writing quick and accurate breaking news to taking photographs.

## **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 work various hours on occasion, including evenings and weekends to cover major breaking news.
- Must have access to reliable transportation.

# Compensation:

The salary for this position is \$55,400.

## **Benefits:**

Full-time employees at Alaska Public Media are eligible for the following benefits:

- Paid time off
- Holidays (12 days per year plus one floating holiday)
- Paid parental leave

- Retirement plan with 2% employer match
- Alaska Public Media Membercard
- Current.org
- Medical plan
- Dental plan
- Vision plan
- Life insurance
- Health Savings Account (HSA)
- Employee Assistance Program (EAP)
- Monthly phone stipend

# Location:

This position is located at Alaska Public Media's office in Anchorage, with the option to work from home part of the time.

## Physical demands:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee in order to successfully perform the essential functions of this job.

- The employee is regularly required to stand, walk, and sit; reach with hands and arms; talk and hear.
- The employee is occasionally required to stoop, knee or crouch.

# Work environment:

The work environment characteristics described here are typical of a television/radio broadcast office environment and representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations will be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.

The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

AKPM is committed to helping employees face the demands of juggling work, family and personal obligations by offering a number of possible remote and flexible work arrangements. These arrangements provide employees with increased flexibility with their work schedule while allowing AKPM to maintain a progressive and productive work environment. This position will be considered for remote and/or flexible work arrangements on a case-by-case basis in situations where creative work schedules have been shown to accomplish both work and personal goals, to provide coverage for individual department operations and to serve AKPM as a whole with increased productivity at no expense to quality output.

Alaska Public Media is an equal opportunity employer and Affirmative Action Employer. We promote excellence through diversity and encourage all qualified individuals to apply.

## How to apply:

Interested candidates should apply by uploading their cover letter and resume at <u>alaskapublic.org/careers</u>. Applications will be reviewed immediately. Have questions about this position? Contact Alaska Public Media's digital managing editor Tegan Hanlon at <u>thanlon@alaskapublic.org</u>.