

Detroit Safety Team & BLM Detroit are looking for a Grant Writer!

Join these two amazing community organizations!

Black Lives Matter Detroit (BLMDet) fights for Black liberation, using mass media and educational programming to foster an ever-evolving ecosystem based upon the equitable representation and centering of all identities within the African diaspora. chooses to actively participate in the cultivation of a culture that affirms, uplifts, and honors the multitude of life experiences within Black communities and across all spectrums. We choose to use our platform to uplift long-standing activists; providing avenues for political education; artistic expression and education; cultural, social, economic analysis; food and nutrition justice activism; direct support for those impacted by state-sanctioned violence.

The Detroit Safety Team (DST) supports Detroiters in their ability to navigate conflict, harm, and abuse via non-punitive processes and practices; shifting the collective understanding of accountability and personal responsibility. To transform harm, we deepen our interconnectedness and develop a shift in ownership over our safety and the safety of our community. We promote a culture of safety absent of police presence, offer consultations with groups and individuals regarding safety and accountability, and facilitate the creation of tools and tactics of self-reliance that work outside of the structures of the state.

Purpose:

Two Detroit community organizations are working in partnership to build a better future. We are looking for a Grant Writer to join our team and lead our efforts in securing funding to help our organizations operate throughout the year. This individual should be motivated, organized, fiscally aware, inquisitive, creative, multitasking abilities, and detail-oriented. They should have strong writing, research, and communication skills. As a part of this position, individuals will work closely with our leadership teams to ensure we reach our fiscal goals.

Responsibilities:

- Developing relationships and collaborating with key stakeholders
- Displaying adherence to the organization's mission
- Maintaining proficient knowledge of the organization's history and programs
- Researching grant opportunities
- Writing compelling grant proposals
- Identify grant funding opportunities
- Write, submit and manage grant proposals
- Grant reporting

Qualifications:

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Excellent fiscal management skills
- High School Diploma or equivalent GED required
- Google Suit proficient
- Knowledge of fundraising information sources
- Exceptional organizational and writing skills

Relevant Experience:

This might be a fit for you if you have experience in the following field(s):

- Finance
- Creative Writing
- Management
- Public Speaking

Do not be deterred if none of the above applies. DST & BLM Detroit values intentional, professional, academic, and experiential knowledge.

Salary and Work Requirements:

This is a contract position (twelve months with possibility to extend). You will be asked to work a minimum of 15-30 hours per week for a flat fee of **\$50,000.00 (fifty thousand dollars)**.

Projected start date of June 2023.

***Application process is open until the position is filled.**

How to Apply:

In lieu of a cover letter, please answer the following questions along with your resume and three references. Responses should be limited to 2 pages.

1. What is your experience in grant writing?
2. Please describe your relationship to the city of Detroit, and why it is important?

All applicants should include: "Name/Grant Writer" in the subject line of the emails. Please email responses, cover letter, resume, and references as PDFs to: leadership@blmdetroit.com

DST accepts applicants of every identity, and encourages applicants who are Black, Brown, Indigenous, Lifelong/Longtime, Immigrant, Disabled, Poor/Working Class, Trans, Non-Binary, Women and Femme Detroiters. If this is you, know that your contributions and leadership are especially valuable at DST & BLM Detroit.*

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