

Job Announcement: Data-Savvy Consultant to Mission-Driven Organizations

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About Public Profit

Public Profit is a woman-owned consultancy that helps mission-driven organizations use information to improve their practice and deepen impact. Our clients include cities, schools, museums, philanthropies, nonprofits, and policy advocates. We provide program evaluation, evaluation capacity building, strategic program design, and data visualization services.

Commitment to Equity and Inclusion

At Public Profit, we are committed to equity and inclusion for our team, our clients, and the communities we serve.

Because of this commitment, we believe in the power of elevating diverse perspectives, using community-based and human-centered approaches, and listening to understand in order to better empower and serve our clients and communities.

We recognize that many of the issues faced by the communities we serve are the result of systemic oppression that disproportionately affects people along racial, ethnic, gender, and socioeconomic lines. We come to this work from a position of privilege and recognize that it is our responsibility to actively confront our own biases and the systemic injustices we hope to change.

We understand that we will make mistakes in our pursuit of equitable and inclusive outcomes, and we will own the responsibility for taking corrective actions when we do. We believe the journey to greater equity and inclusion is ongoing, but it is a journey we are passionate about and committed to continuing.

Our purpose on this journey is to do more than simply check off a box to say we fulfilled our requirement "to do" equity and inclusion, rather we are tirelessly and continuously learning to find new strategies, methods, and practices in order to uphold our commitment to equity and inclusion for our team, our clients, and the communities we serve.

About the Position

We are searching for a full-time Research Assistant. The Research Assistant will lead data collection, management, and analysis tasks for their project teams, conduct literature reviews, co-create client-facing deliverables, and provide project administration support, including scheduling, client communication, co-facilitation of client presentations, and preparing materials for meetings and trainings. Nearly all of our studies incorporate mixed methods; the Research Assistant will collect, analyze and report on both quantitative and qualitative data.

Successful team members value helping mission-driven organizations succeed. They bring exceptional productivity, a sense of humor, attention to detail, a passion for learning, the ability to work in multiple teams and on multiple tasks, and a strong commitment to providing high quality service to our clients. We value diversity in all its forms and encourage applications from bilingual and bicultural candidates.

Primary activities include:

- Conducting primary data collection, such as by fielding surveys, conducting key informant interviews and focus groups.
- Coordinating data collection activities, including survey development, distribution, fielding protocols, collection, tracking, and processing.
- Quantitative data tasks using a combination of MS Excel and R. Includes cleaning data files, checking for completeness, creating new variables, matching data sets, running descriptive statistics, conducting inferential analysis in line with analysis plan.
- Qualitative data tasks (using MS Office Suite primarily) including notetaking and transcribing, qualitative coding.
- Contributing to joint understanding and meaning-making with project teams, conducting literature reviews, writing up findings, and visualizing data.
- Contributing to the creation of a variety of deliverables, including written reports, presentations, and data dashboards.
- Coordinate with project teams to prioritize, delegate, and complete project administrative tasks, such as arranging meetings, maintaining files, taking meeting notes, and providing on-site support at meetings and trainings.
- Corresponding with clients, primarily through email.

The ideal candidate will have:

- Two years' experience in a similar professional capacity, ideally in a position focused on program evaluation or social science research.
- A passion for helping mission-driven organizations use data to measure and improve the quality of their work.
- Hands-on experience troubleshooting messy data sets of any size.
- Hands-on experience managing large data sets (1,000+ cases) in Excel; experience with R, SPSS, or STATA a plus.

- Experience collecting and cleaning quantitative data, such as surveys and academic assessments.
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- Prior training in quantitative data analysis.
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- Superlative attention to detail; flawless follow-through on assigned tasks.
- Demonstrated ability to manage multiple projects simultaneously and to meet established deadlines.
- Strong familiarity with Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and the ability to work for extended periods while sitting at a computer.

What the Research Assistant will gain from this position:

- Extensive contact with a variety of mission-driven organizations throughout the West Coast and nationally.
- Opportunity to build skills in data management, data analysis, evaluation design and implementation, data visualization and innovative reporting, and facilitation.
- Chance to be part of a hard-working, fun-filled, woman-owned, collaborative consulting firm.

Compensation and benefits:

- We currently intend for this position to start in early May 2021.
- This is an exempt, full-time position with occasional evening hours and regional travel, once shelter-in-place restrictions are lifted (<10%).
- Annual salary of \$55,000; annual revenue share.
- Health insurance for employee through Kaiser.
- 401(k) with employer match.
- \$1,500 annual professional development budget.
- 10 company holidays, 15 days paid time off to start.
- Once it is safe to work from an office, this staff member will work at Public Profit's offices in downtown Oakland. They will work from home until that time, keeping work hours in the Pacific time zone.

To apply:

- We will review applications beginning Monday, March 15. Applications received after the due date will be reviewed on a rolling basis.
- Submit your cover letter, resume, and answers to a brief questionnaire: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RA_Search_2021 Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.
- Due to the high volume of applications, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.
- We are currently unable to sponsor visa applications; applicants must be authorized to work in the US.