Title: Anchorage Reporter

Reports to: Senior Editor

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The Anchorage Reporter is responsible for reporting on local government, public policy and urban life in the largest city in the state and surrounding areas for Alaska Public Media; the source of NPR radio, PBS television for Southcentral Alaska and stewards of the statewide news service in collaboration with 25 public media partners. Anchorage is one of the most diverse cities in the nation and the Anchorage Reporter will be responsible for reflecting that diversity in stories that build trust and deepen and diversify the sources in our reporting. This is a chance for an ambitious journalist to report on a dynamic northern city at a high stakes time for everything from climate change to the post-pandemic economy. The reporter will be proficient in reporting, writing, editing, and preparing stories for radio, web and occasionally, TV. The reporter will uphold the highest journalistic standards and ethics and work professionally with Alaska Public Media colleagues and the public.

AKPM is the source for NPR radio and PBS television for Southcentral Alaska and stewards the public media statewide news collaboration.

**Essential Functions:**

The Anchorage Reporter will:

- Continually generate quality story ideas that go beyond basic news and delve deep into high stakes and engaging issues that will help determine the future of our region and state.
- Produce in depth and quick turn stories on the issues that resonate for audiences in and beyond Alaska.
- The reporter will be proficient in reporting, writing, editing, and preparing stories for radio, web and occasionally, TV.
- Meet deadlines, abide by AP style, and uphold the highest journalistic standards, adhering to AKPM’s code of ethics while working professionally with Alaska Public Media colleagues and the public.
- Capture audio, shoot photographs and video, and edit multimedia packages.
- Take part in various news, public affairs and election programs for radio, TV and Web.
- Periodically host morning news or other public affairs programs.
• Collaborate with other AKPM staff on various news and public affairs projects.
• Work comfortably in a team-based environment.

Duties and Responsibilities:

In addition to the above functions, the Anchorage Reporter will:

▪ Stay current with city government issues, including reporting on the Mayor’s office and Assembly meetings and actions.
▪ Understand and stay current with local military affairs.
▪ Report news and features on a wide variety of topics.
▪ Perform in a deadline-driven news environment.
▪ Ability to multitask and work across multiple media platforms.
▪ Work collegially in a team-based atmosphere.
▪ Adhere to professional journalistic styles and practices, including, but not limited to Alaska Public Media styles and rules.
▪ Other duties as assigned.

Required Qualifications:

• Experience working in a news, communication, publication, broadcast or Web environment.
• Ability to work collegially with multiple stakeholders and audiences.
• 1 – 3 years’ experience working in a newsroom or reporting experience for a media company.

Desired Qualifications:

▪ Bachelor’s degree or commensurate experience.
▪ Skill in on-air performance and audio production.
▪ Understanding reporting (writing, photography, video) for Web.
▪ Competency in broadcasting operations and editing (audio, video, photo) software.
▪ Familiarity with public radio news programming.
Allowable Substitution

If necessary, alternative combinations of education and experience will be evaluated by the Human Resources Office for comparability.

Competencies:

• Act in accordance with AKPM policies.
• Support AKPM compliance efforts with FCC, CPB, NPR and PBS rules and regulations
• Communicate effectively.
• Apply critical thinking and problem solving skills.
• Maintain positive relationships with both internal and external customers.
• Demonstrate consistent outstanding customer service.
• Proficient at computer use to include office software products, custom software packages, internet and e-mail.
• Consistently demonstrate ethical behavior.
• Must exercise good judgement for the prompt completion of responsibilities.

Employee Expectations:

Must be able to work in a constantly changing environment with demonstrated ability to juggle and prioritize multiple, competing tasks and demands while seeking supervisory assistance as appropriate.

Physical Demands:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job.
The employee is regularly required to stand, walk and sit; use hands to handle or feet; reach with hands and arms; talk and hear. The employee is occasionally required to stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl. The employee must be able to lift and/or move up to 40 pounds.

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.

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Employee’s signature ________________________