

Communications Strategist (6-month Contract) Greater Victoria Harbour Authority Victoria, BC

Greater Victoria Harbour Authority, a non-profit organization, manages key properties in Victoria Harbour. Join our team of dedicated people supporting Victoria's working harbour. We offer competitive compensation and excellent learning and growth opportunities.

The Greater Victoria Harbour Authority (GVHA) is seeking a Communications Strategist for a six-month contract, who will be responsible for supporting and managing all communications, engagement, stakeholder relations, strategies, and initiatives to support the vision and mission of GVHA. This is an outstanding opportunity for a passionate and experienced communications leader to apply their expertise in communications, media relations, and stakeholder engagement in support of Victoria's working harbour.

At the helm of communications and engagement, the strategist will advise the organization and leadership on meaningful communications engagement that supports GVHA's operational objectives. In addition, the strategist will be responsible for:

- Effectively support and maintain strong relationships among all teams within GVHA relating to existing communications strategies.
- Understand and implement short- and long-term organizational goals and can execute existing initiatives and campaigns.
- Oversees and liaisons with external communications, graphic, and public relations consultants.
- Supports initiatives to maintain favourable public and stakeholder views of GVHA's objectives and accomplishments.
- Support leadership in stakeholder and partner engagement to ensure communications continuity.
- Works with all departments to determine resources required to mitigate and/or reduce communication and stakeholder related risks.
- Lead and collaborate with the Communications Specialist.
- Provide oversight for the fiscal responsibility of the communications budget.

The right candidate will bring a post-secondary degree in Public Relations, Communications, or Business Administration, as well as a minimum of seven years of recent, related experience in communications, including at least two years successfully leading people. We are looking for candidates who also bring experience in strategic and business planning; developing communications plans; project management; community engagement and client relations. Preferred is experience working with a Board of Directors, Indigenous Peoples, and various levels of government.

This position is a six-month contract to support GVHA's communications initiatives and projects. This role needs to be filled urgently, so ideally looking for candidates who are available to begin work as soon as possible. The compensation for this role will be paid as a biweekly salary (37.5 hours/week) at the equivalent of \$40/hour, plus 10% in lieu of vacation and benefits. Interested applicants can send a cover letter and resume to hr@gvha.ca.