

City of Rancho Cucamonga
Is Seeking A
Healthy RC Kids Project Manager

The City of Rancho Cucamonga is seeking an independent contractor to manage the City's Healthy RC Kids Project. The manager must be an organized, highly competent self-starter with superior communication and administrative skills. He/she will further develop, implement and manage this community-based health improvement project which endeavors to reduce childhood obesity through policy and environmental change initiatives. The manager will work under a contract which is funded by a four-year grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF).

The City of Rancho Cucamonga is a City of 177, 000 and growing. Strategically located in western San Bernardino County at the base of the San Gabriel Mountains, the City maintains a high quality of life and is considered one of the safest communities in the County. It is home to the Victoria Gardens regional shopping mall and cultural center. Adjacent to Ontario Airport and the Interstate 10 and 210 freeways, it is within an easy drive of mountain, desert and beach recreation.

Healthy RC is the City's comprehensive initiative to promote an active and sustainable lifestyle through programs and policies that develop healthy minds, body and earth. Healthy RC Kids is a companion project focused specifically on children. It has a broad policy and environmental change agenda. The project's two primary goals are to change community systems to "make the healthy choice the easy choice" by developing common and/or complementary policies across major youth serving institutions in the community and significantly improve opportunities for active living and healthy eating for children and families in southwest Rancho Cucamonga.

The Healthy RC Kids Project Manager will accomplish a number of tasks including the following: Work with City staff, residents and community groups to further develop, implement and manage the project; facilitate a project governance structure to engage a broad cross-section of the community in Healthy RC Kids; staff and work with a number of committees and sub-committees composed of various stakeholders in order to identify issues, obstacles and strategies to achieve project goals and objectives; work with the City, community stakeholders and residents to develop and implement policies and environmental change strategies to reduce childhood obesity; develop a comprehensive communications strategy to expand community understanding and support for changes in policies, systems and the built environment to increase access to nutritious, affordable food and opportunities for physical activity; meet or exceed project goals and objectives; provide grant administration, including programmatic and fiscal reports and operate within established budgets; conduct evaluation activities as required by RWJF.

It is expected the contractor will have knowledge and or experience in the following areas:

The principles of and relationships among healthy cities, public health, and planning and land use; policy, systems and environmental change strategies as applied to childhood obesity prevention; leading, inspiring and motivating others to accomplish short-term tasks and long-term goals; public administration and public policy development; establishing and with a wide variety of community groups and individuals; grants and budget management communicating persuasively both orally and in writing; ability to communicate in Spanish is highly desirable; Master's degree in public health, planning or a related field and 5 years of experience applying policy and environmental change strategies are highly desirable.

The Compensation for this contract is estimated at \$70,000 annually and is dependent on qualifications and receipt of funding from RWJF. The City has received a four-year award from RWJF, contingent on satisfactory annual progress.

Please Submit a resume and cover letter outlining your strengths and experience, especially with environmental, policy and systems change strategies that will contribute to achieving the goals of Healthy RC Kids project. Please also describe how you would approach further project development, implementation and governance. More information is available at www.healthycrc.info; www.cityofrc.us; www.healthykidshealthycommunities.org and by contacting Erika Lewis-Huntley (909) 477-2700 x2008; Erika.lewis-huntley@cityofrc.us

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