

Employment Opportunity

WFN fosters a workplace environment that is diverse, inclusive, collaborative, healthy, and reflective of Syilx values and culture.

Manager of Economic Development – Full Time

Who We Are

Located within the traditional unceded territory of the syilx people, Westbank First Nation (WFN) is a progressive and prosperous self-governing First Nation. WFN is dedicated to promoting a healthy and prosperous future to ensure its continued existence as a strong political, social and cultural community.

Westbank First Nation values Equality, Honesty and Fairness, Respect, Integrity, Accountability and Transparency, Sustainability, Understanding, Confidentiality and Efficiency.

About this Opportunity

The Manager of Economic Development at Westbank First Nation is responsible for developing strategic economic initiatives, fostering business growth, and building industry relationships. This role will also serve as WFN's representative on various boards and provide oversight of WFN's Economic Development Commission. It will actively support the execution of economic development projects and engage in collaborative efforts for all economic development initiatives.

Want to know more? You will...

- Develop economic development strategies and mechanisms to seek business input
- Guide business growth, seek new opportunities, and track industry trends
- Ensure effective relationships are built across all key industries
- Strengthen partner and stakeholder connectivity or collaboration, including with WFN's Corporate entity
- Support Member Entrepreneurial development, including training and resource provision
- Represent or collaborate on various boards or working groups, e.g., Accelerate Okanagan, Indigenous Tourism, and Greater Westside Board of Trade, to identify opportunities
- Guide and assist in the delivery of the Ec Dev Commission's strategic priorities and activities
- Lead and execute key Economic Development projects, track deliverables, and report metrics.

Must Haves:

- Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Economics, or a related field
- Minimum of 5 years of experience in economic development, business management, or a relevant leadership role
- Proven track record in developing and implementing economic development strategies

- Experience in fostering business growth and identifying new opportunities.
- Experience in collaborating with partners, stakeholders, and governmental organizations
- Prior involvement in board representation and participation in economic development projects
- Must have a valid driver's license and access to a vehicle for attending meetings and events within the community and region
- Availability for occasional evening or weekend work as needed for board meetings or events

Perks of Working at WFN:

- Competitive compensation package including 3 weeks' vacation
- Extended Health Care (including Vision and Paramedical Services), Dental, Basic Life Insurance, Employee Assistance Program, and Health Spending Account
- Municipal Pension Plan membership
- Access to Big White Season Passes (Summer & Winter)
- Employee Recognition Program
- Access to LinkedIn Learning for Professional Development

Application Details:

To review the full job description and to learn more about Westbank First Nation please visit our website at https://www.wfn.ca.

All applications must be submitted through our <u>Employment Opportunities</u> page. Ensure you attach your cover letter and resume. Incomplete or late submissions will not be accepted.

This opportunity will close at midnight on Sunday, November 12, 2023.