# SUMMER STUDENT, COMMUNICATIONS ASSISTANT

## SUMMARY

The Communications Assistant provides assistance and support to the Communications Department. This position reports to the Manager, Communications. This is for a full-time position for the spring and summer 2020.

# **KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES**

## 1. Assists with internal and external communications.

- Drafts and proofreads communications materials.
- Conducts interviews and writes stories about Trust grants and programs.
- Supports communications team with other communications activities.

## 2. Assists with the management of communication collateral tools.

- Updates the Trust website.
- Assists with updating internal information management systems.
- Updates and maintains distribution lists.
- Organizes archives and media library.

## 3. Conducts research activities.

- Researches various communication and public relations issues.
- Documents research findings.

## 4. Provides administrative and office support services.

- May cover reception during lunch hours and holidays.
- Assists with the coordination of meetings.
- Provides administrative and office support services as required.
- Assists with the coordination of corporate events and activities as required.

## QUALIFICATIONS

#### Training and Experience

- University or College student with a minimum of one-year of university or college in the business/communications field.
- Experience working with websites.
- Previous office experience is an asset.

#### Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Knowledge of the Columbia Basin region an asset.
- Strong verbal, written, graphic and web-based communication skills.
- Proficient with MS Office and Outlook.
- Photography skills.
- Proficient with content management systems.
- Ability to maintain a high degree of confidentiality.
- Ability to travel throughout the Basin.