DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION OFFICER
(Office of Inspector General)

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Under the guidance of the Deputy Public Safety Inspector General (PSIG), this position is responsible for diversity and inclusion issues and will have specific authority to review Chicago Police Department (CPD) actions for potential bias, including racial bias, on any matter within the Deputy PSIG’s statutory authority. The Diversity and Inclusion Officer may directly supervise staff members, and will advise and coordinate with other OIG sections where appropriate.

The Diversity and Inclusion Officer role requires:

- Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master’s degree in social science, public policy, public administration, or related field, plus five years of experience in relevant advocacy: police oversight; or initiatives related to diversity, inclusion, and bias; OR graduation from an ABA-accredited law school with a juris doctorate degree and admission to the Illinois Bar (or another state bar having reciprocity with Illinois), plus five years of legal, regulatory or oversight work experience related to civil rights, employment, and/or anti-discrimination or policing law.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Experience with the planning, implementation and evaluation of diversity and inclusion programs
- Knowledge of, and demonstrated interest in, relevant federal, state, and municipal employment laws and regulations, including Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action and American’s with Disabilities Act (EEO/AA and ADA)
- Knowledge of, and demonstrated interest in, diversity, equity, procedural justice, civil rights and/or law enforcement issues
- Demonstrated professional judgment in the identification, discussion and consideration of diversity and equity issues with internal and external stakeholders
- Ability to develop and maintain collaborative relationships with diverse constituencies
- Familiarity with major municipal governance and policing and police accountability systems, with knowledge of Chicago municipal government, the Chicago Police Department (CPD) and associated public safety accountability and criminal justice programs and functions additionally preferred
- Experience developing data collection instruments such as surveys, direct and participatory observation, interviews, focus groups, and literature searches
- Excellent leadership, analytical report writing, communication (written and oral), and problem-solving skills
DUTIES:

• With close guidance and direction from the Deputy Inspector General for Public Safety, review actions of CPD and associated public safety programs and functions for potential bias, including racial bias, on any matter within the jurisdiction of OIG’s Public Safety section, and author public reports on these reviews.

• Consult and coordinate with OIG senior leadership and Section staff in identifying and scoping OIG’s audits, evaluations, reviews, investigations and data transparency initiatives for implications for City-wide diversity and inclusion challenges and fostering promotion of DEI values and objectives on any matter within the OIG’s jurisdiction, with primary emphasis on diversity and equity issues related to policing and police accountability

• Examine, analyze, and report on issues including but not limited to diversity, bias (implicit and explicit), and employment equity as it relates to race, gender, disability, age, rank, religion or other factors respecting City policies, programs, and practices, with priority given to CPD and the Chicago police accountability system

• Encourage the enhancement of diversity and inclusion in the City’s hiring and promotion practices

• Based on best practices and other research, develop recommendations for enhancing ongoing diversity and inclusion practices, with priority given to CPD and Chicago’s police accountability system

• Conduct or direct the conduct of site visits to observe operations and interview City staff and other stakeholders

• Provide insight and, where appropriate, assistance to the Communications Director respecting the accessibility of products published by OIG with particular consideration of impact and reach into under-served communities

• Partner with and advise senior leadership and other city Department representatives to analyze diversity and inclusion metrics to identify and address challenges and trends related to the attraction, motivation, development, and retention of a diverse and inclusive workforce and the achievement of equal opportunity goals, objectives and outcomes

• In coordination with OIG leadership, represent the office with external stakeholders as part of the office’s community outreach and engagement efforts and initiatives

• Project management and direction of staff conducting formal inquiries for public reporting into diversity and inclusion and employment-related practices and policies of CPD and other City departments

ANNUAL SALARY: up to $123,996

TRAVEL AND SCHEDULE: Travel outside Chicago is not required.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT: Employees must be a resident of the City of Chicago and proof of residency is required at the commencement of employment.

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