

# **Position Description**

# **Team Leader, Pathways**

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Department	Operations	Reports To	Manager, Pathways
Positions reporting to this position	1 x Senior Housing Manager, Pathways, 1 x Housing Manager, Pathways and 1 x Pathways, Administration Officer		
Location	Brookvale, NSW	Award Level	Level 6
Award Name	Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award		

#### **Primary Purpose of this Position**

The Team Leader, Pathways is responsible for overseeing the delivery of housing assistance services for applicants seeking social and affordable housing assistance in the Northern Beaches. This includes supporting the Manager, Pathways to deliver the timely allocation of assets and effective delivery of client services through management of the Pathways team, maintaining strong stakeholder relationships and ensuring adherence to relevant Bridge Housing and Pathways policies and procedures. This includes prioritising the assessment of housing applications, providing advice on appropriate housing products and assistance in the private rental market and ensuring exceptional client service specific to meet the needs of low to moderate income households and those in crisis. The Team Leader, Pathways (Brookvale) is also responsible for coordinating and implementing service improvement strategies that align with Bridge Housing's strategic plans and Northern Beaches Service System Coordination Plan.

#### Accountabilities

- Supporting the Manager, Pathways in the ongoing success of Bridge Housing and the Operations team by assisting
  with the development and implementation of the business and operational plans and related programs and
  projects.
- 2. Ensure consistent high quality service from the Northern Beaches Housing Pathway's team by managing adherence to the Customer Service Charter, relevant Pathways policies and procedures and managing complaints and appeals to effective resolution.
- 3. Support the continual improvement and development of services in the Pathways team in the Northern Beaches by developing new and maintaining current strategic partnerships with key stakeholders and support providers and continually reviewing and improving the processes and systems in the Pathways team.
- 4. Ensure the Northern Beaches Pathways team meets its financial goals by adherence to agreed budgets, financial delegations and managing core KPIs for voids and allocations.
- 5. Support Bridge Housing's growth strategy by contributing to the research and preparation of information and data that is required for funding submissions, tender, expressions of interest or any other adhoc or periodic report requested by the business to support decision making and business planning.
- 6. Support the Manager, Pathways to meet Bridge Housing's corporate governance obligations by ensuring the capture and recording of client information in the relevant systems.
- 7. Assist the Manager, Pathways to ensure the Northern Beaches Pathways team works within the relevant compliance and legal framework by continually staying up to date on changes to laws and regulations affecting the delivery of Bridge Housing's programs and services and being responsible for implementing the necessary changes to workplace policy and procedures throughout the Northern Beaches Pathways team
- 8. Assist to drive the company culture and performance through effective management and leadership practices that attracts and retains high quality staff, manages performance and develops employee capability and skills required to achieve the Housing team's business goals.
- 9. Increase the profile and reputation of Bridge Housing by attending networking functions, interagency meetings and forums and being an active member of the community housing sector.



### OTHER SKILLS, EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Drivers Licence
- At least 5 years' experience in community housing
- Intermediate skills in all Microsoft Office applications
- Sound understanding of social housing management, policy and legislation applying to community housing professionalism

### **KEY CAPABILITIES**

### **Cultural Capabilities**

Cultural capabilities are common to all jobs at Bridge Housing. They describe the critical behaviours and ways of relating to work colleagues and others. These capabilities translate the Bridge Housing corporate values such as socially responsible, people focussed, building relationships and professionalism and integrity.

#### **SOCIAL AWARENESS**

Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	Capability Level
Demonstrates social awareness	<ul> <li>Demonstrates a good knowledge of multiple cultures and continually develops and improves own knowledge.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Demonstrates experience and skill when communicating with multiple cultures.</li> </ul>	Level 3
	<ul> <li>Continually shares knowledge and experience in working in a culturally diverse environment with those less experienced.</li> </ul>	Level 3
	<ul> <li>Provides training and coaching to others to improve their social and cultural knowledge.</li> </ul>	
Understands the operating environment and its stakeholders	<ul> <li>Demonstrates a high level of understanding of the sector and the work of other relevant organisations.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Uses understanding of the operating environment to organise the work of others effectively.</li> </ul>	Level 3
	<ul> <li>Understands the operating environment of other work areas in order to improve work outcomes.</li> </ul>	
Values diversity and social inclusion	<ul> <li>Acts as a role model to promote a fair, equitable and inclusive workplace.</li> </ul>	
	Promotes diversity in the workplace.	Level 3
	<ul> <li>Supports the team to value and work effectively with diversity</li> </ul>	

### CLIENT FOCUSED

Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	Capability Level
Demonstrates service orientation	<ul> <li>Makes self fully available during critical periods for the client and takes actions beyond normal expectations to provide high quality service.</li> </ul>	Level 3
	<ul> <li>Acts as a trusted advisor to clients in the provision of service.</li> </ul>	
Strives for excellence in service delivery	<ul> <li>Models excellence in client service.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Demonstrates an in-depth knowledge of clients, their needs and how to solve complex issues.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Coaches and mentors others to improve their service delivery and client service outcomes.</li> </ul>	Level 3
	<ul> <li>Monitors the quality of client service and takes corrective action where required.</li> </ul>	Level 5
	<ul> <li>Negotiates with internal and external stakeholders on service delivery issues in line with the organisation's objectives.</li> </ul>	
Demonstrates professional empathy	<ul> <li>Models respectful and effective approaches in dealing with clients.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Understands and effectively manages emotional responses when dealing with others.</li> </ul>	Level 3
	<ul> <li>Displays an understanding for people's behaviour and responses.</li> </ul>	

Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	Capability Leve
Builds relationships and networks	<ul> <li>Has a network of business contacts that are nurtured and maintained for the mutual benefit of the client and the organisation.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Encourages team members to participate in networking and provide opportunities for them to do so.</li> </ul>	Level 4
	<ul> <li>Uses relationships to seek information of strategic importance and regularly keeps in touch and collaborates with key stakeholders.</li> </ul>	
Works effectively in a team	<ul> <li>Actively promotes cross-departmental view in developing solutions.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Coordinates work between teams.</li> </ul>	Level
	<ul> <li>Plans team building activities that improve relationships.</li> </ul>	
CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT AND C	HANGE	
Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	Capability Leve
Strives for continual improvement	<ul> <li>Continually looks to improve the service and work practices of self and others.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Consults with team members to establish shared ideas for improvement.</li> </ul>	Level
	<ul> <li>Provides the means to discuss new ideas and encourages team involvement.</li> </ul>	
Manages and embraces change	<ul> <li>Openly supports change and motivates others to adopt new ideas and work practices.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Assists others to adapt to change effectively, dealing with resistance.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Actively consults with others affected by the change.</li> </ul>	Level
	<ul> <li>Ensures others understand the change and have the appropriate training and knowledge to adopt the change</li> </ul>	
PROFESSIONALISM AND INTERGRIT	Υ	
Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	Capability Leve
Acts with integrity	<ul> <li>Takes responsibility for own and others performance and behaviours.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Holds others accountable.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Acts as a role model in demonstrating professionalism and integrity at all times.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Encourages others in the team to approach work with professionalism and integrity.</li> </ul>	Level
	<ul> <li>Addresses behaviours or actions of other which are at odds with company policy and values.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Makes balanced decisions, taking into account the social and ethical factors.</li> </ul>	
Works within safety, risk and governance frameworks.	<ul> <li>Interprets occupational health and safety processes and procedures, and applies these individually and for the team in undertaking work.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Takes corrective action to mitigate risks and hazards in the work area.</li> </ul>	Level
	<ul> <li>Manages work practices to comply with relevant legislation and licensing requirements.</li> </ul>	

## **Enabling Capabilities**

Enabling capabilities are the core skills, knowledge and abilities required to effectively deliver and perform most roles at Bridge Housing. They support the delivery of a person's accountabilities and KPI.

PLANNING AND ORGANISING		
Capability and Elements Planning and organisational skills including strategic planning	<ul> <li>Behavioural Indicators</li> <li>Prioritises others' work and delegates appropriately.</li> <li>Ensures that key requirements are met.</li> <li>Demonstrates flexibility in planning to meet unforeseen circumstances.</li> <li>Uses planning tools, systems and procedures to plan and organise own and teams performance.</li> </ul>	Capability Level  Level 3
PROLEM SOLVING AND DECISION MA	AKING	
Capability and Elements Demonstrates analytical thinking and problem solving skills	<ul> <li>Behavioural Indicators</li> <li>Seeks all relevant information on problem to assist in development of solutions.</li> <li>Engages key stakeholders to find best solution to problems.</li> <li>Implements and monitors solutions.</li> <li>Instructs and guides others in the process of resolving problems.</li> </ul>	Capability Level  Level 3
COMMUNICATION		
Capability and Elements Demonstrates effective verbal communication skills	<ul> <li>Behavioural Indicators</li> <li>Verbally communicates to a group of people clearly and confidently</li> <li>Uses clear and respectful tone in all situations and conveys difficult information with tact and sensitivity.</li> <li>Uses facts to express clear arguments and opinions in meetings and forums.</li> <li>Uses questioning to uncover facts and understand others' view points.</li> <li>Modifies verbal delivery depending on the audience and setting.</li> </ul>	Capability Level  Level 2
Uses written communication effectively	<ul> <li>Prepares complex information in meaningful and interesting reports and presentations.</li> <li>Writes policy and procedures in a logical and systematic way.</li> </ul>	Level 3
Negotiates with skills and influence	<ul> <li>Establishes trust with stakeholders and works to understand their needs.</li> <li>Uses diplomacy and tact to negotiate in difficult decisions and situations.</li> <li>Able to effectively discuss complex concepts with other expert stakeholders.</li> </ul>	Level 3

COMMUNICATION (continued)		
Manages and resolves conflict	<ul> <li>Expertly applies tactics to manage conflict in work situations.</li> <li>Mentors others in conflict management approaches.</li> <li>Keeps senior members of staff briefed on conflict and their resolution.</li> <li>Successfully brokers solutions acceptable to all parties.</li> <li>Supports team members manage conflict effectively.</li> <li>Implement the conflict resolution procedure in the work area as required.</li> <li>Makes clear judgements around matters which can be handled effectively without escalation.</li> </ul>	Level 3
TECHNOLOGY		
Capability and Elements Uses and harnesses technology	<ul> <li>Behavioural Indicators</li> <li>Demonstrates a detailed knowledge of all technology relevant to the work area.</li> <li>Ensures that all staff are using the technology appropriately and arranges skills training as required.</li> <li>Identifies ways to leverage the value of technology and achieve work efficiencies using the workplace's existing technology.</li> <li>Explores the relevant technology to increase knowledge and improve efficiencies in the department.</li> </ul>	Capability Level  Level 3
POLICY AND PROCEDURES		
Capability and Elements Develops and maintains workplace policy and procedures	<ul> <li>Ensures all staff are informed of legislation, standards, regulations and policies and procedures that apply to their work.</li> <li>Ensure all roles have relevant procedures prepared for easy handover and training of new staff.</li> <li>Independently drafts policy for the relevant work area.</li> <li>Provides advice on the development of policy and procedures in specialist area.</li> </ul>	Capability Level  Level 3
	Fosters staff support for policy implementation.	

## **Professional Capabilities**

Professional capabilities define the specific knowledge, skills, abilities that are specialist or specific in nature. They are not relevant to all roles at Bridge Housing, however have been identified as critical to delivering Bride Housing's objectives now and in the future.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT		
Capability and Elements Demonstrates sound financial management practices	<ul> <li>Behavioural Indicators</li> <li>Demonstrates a high level of numerical literacy.</li> <li>Can prepare and analyse financial records and reports relevant to the work area.</li> <li>Effectively manages a team to ensure the achievement of financial targets.</li> <li>Monitors and controls financial targets and takes corrective action as required.</li> <li>Assist with setting budgets and financial targets.</li> </ul>	Capability Level  Level 3
MANAGES AND LEADS PEOPLE		
Capability and Elements  Motivated and inspires others	<ul> <li>Behavioural Indicators</li> <li>Communicates and actively promotes the vision to the team.</li> <li>Actively supports the vision.</li> <li>Acts as a role model to team members in demonstrating enthusiasm, passion and dedication.</li> <li>Adapts leadership style to staff's confidence and capability levels.</li> <li>Communicates regularly with staff in formal and informal means to involve them in decision making, problem solving and to communicate organisational priorities, changes and goals.</li> <li>Encourages and supports work-life balance and well- being of others.</li> </ul>	Capability Level  Level 3
Manages and develops people	<ul> <li>Manages staff performance to ensure that work outcomes and behaviours meet the expectations.</li> <li>Identifies skills and performance gaps and addresses poor performance promptly</li> <li>Ensures all staff have a targeted development and performance plan.</li> <li>Treats all staff with respect and in a fair and consistent way.</li> <li>Coaches and mentors direct reports continually.</li> <li>Identifies talent for succession planning and liaises with senior managers to ensure retention and development of these staff.</li> <li>Encourage staff to undertake learning and development.</li> </ul>	Level 3