

# **Position Description**

# **Executive Officer**

Department	Finance and Corporate Services	Reports To	Chief Executive Officer
Positions reporting to this position	None		
Location	Redfern, NSW	Award Level	8
Award Name	Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010		

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

The Executive Officer provides a range of high level executive, secretariat, and project support services to the CEO and the senior executive team. This includes providing strategic advice, managing communications and implementing strategies to support the achievement of Bridge Housing's objectives.

#### **Accountabilities**

- 1. Oversee the implementation of the Strategic and Business Plans to optimise efficiency and support the achievement of quality outcomes
- 2. Assist the CEO build strategic networks including managing key stakeholder relationships and representing Bridge Housing in discussions with key internal and external stakeholders
- 3. Lead, develop and implement projects and initiatives outlined in the strategic plan, business plan and as delegated by the CEO
- 4. Prepare small tenders and coordinate and assist in the preparation of large tenders to meet Bridge Housing's strategic and operational objectives
- 5. Prepare, manage and review the provision of high level communications and correspondence including briefing notes, and reports. Whilst ensuring their comprehensiveness, accuracy, and timeliness
- 6. Research and prepare strategic advice, information and reports on diverse and complex policy, planning and operational matters to facilitate informed decision making and planning
- Support Bridge Housing fulfil its corporate governance responsibilities by managing board papers including review and proof reading and supporting delivery of the annual general meeting
- 8. Coordinate the Agendas for Board and Subcommittee meetings, including collecting all Resolutions for adding to the end of Agendas
- 9. Manage Bridge Housing's Executive team meetings. Proofreading of documents and preparation of Agenda's, discussion papers and Actions
- 10. Working closely with the Executive Assistant and Office Manager to provide support to the CEO.

#### OTHER SKILLS, EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

- · Relevant degree in social science, community services, business improvement and/or research
- Senior policy development experience in a community service or government environment

## **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 focused, building relationships and professionalism and integrity.

Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	Capability Level
Demonstrates social awareness	<ul> <li>Continually shares knowledge and experience in working in a culturally diverse environment with those less experienced.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Develops and adopts communication and business processes and practices appropriate to the needs of various cultures engaging with the business.</li> </ul>	Level 4
Understands the operating environment and its stakeholders	<ul> <li>Understands the responsibilities, legal obligations and limits that apply to the organisation.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Understands the strategic plans and translates into projects and initiatives.</li> </ul>	Laval A
	<ul> <li>Demonstrates an extensive understanding of key stakeholders and ensures the team is responsive to the needs and perspectives of key stakeholder groups.</li> </ul>	Level 4
Values diversity and social inclusion	<ul> <li>Shares knowledge and experience in working in a culturally diverse environment with those less experienced.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Acts as a role model to promote a fair, equitable and inclusive workplace.</li> </ul>	Level 3
	<ul> <li>Supports the team to value and work effectively with diversity</li> </ul>	
CLIENT FOCUSED		
Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	<b>Capability Level</b>
Demonstrates service orientation	<ul> <li>Develops and coordinates client service strategies for the provision of quality client service.</li> </ul>	Level 4
Strives for excellence in service delivery	<ul> <li>Fosters a collaborative team spirit focused on service delivery.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Consults with groups of clients to strategically understand their needs and improve services.</li> </ul>	Level 4
	<ul> <li>Coordinates a range of services and develops and encourages seamless transitions between different services.</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>	
	<ul> <li>Identifies opportunities to strengthen and support teams for ongoing delivery of services.</li> </ul>	Level 4
	<ul> <li>Creates policies and systems for the protection of client confidentiality and privacy.</li> </ul>	

Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	Capability Leve
Builds relationships and networks	<ul> <li>Uses relationships to seek information of strategic importance and regularly keeps in touch and collaborates with key stakeholders.</li> </ul>	Level <sup>4</sup>
Works effectively in a team	Promotes transparency and inter departmental coordination to engender trust.	Level 4
	<ul> <li>Manages cross functional teams and projects.</li> </ul>	
CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT AND CH		
Capability and Elements Strives for continual improvement	<ul> <li>Behavioural Indicators</li> <li>Continually looks to improve the service and work practices of self and others.</li> </ul>	Capability Leve
	<ul> <li>Consults with team members to establish shared ideas for improvement.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Provides the means to discuss new ideas and encourages team involvement.</li> </ul>	Level
	<ul> <li>Analyses systems and procedures to identify opportunities for improvement.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Implements and monitors the implementation of new ideas and programs.</li> </ul>	
Manages and embraces change	<ul> <li>Responds positively and effectively to unexpected change.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Adapts skills and knowledge to new situations and work practices.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Ensures others understand the change and have the appropriate training and knowledge to adopt the change.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Assists teams to develop a clear understanding of impending change.</li> </ul>	
	Initiates change where required.	Level
	<ul> <li>Looks externally for opportunities for change/improvements.</li> </ul>	Level
	<ul> <li>Plans and successfully manages significant change programs.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Translates the change agenda into strategic and operational plans.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Measures and evaluates the effectiveness of the change.</li> </ul>	

• Allocates appropriate resources to the change

process.

PROFESSIONALISM AND INTERGR	ITY	
Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	Capability Level
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 3
	<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>Contribute to the identification and control of risks and hazards in the work place.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Interprets and applies relevant regulations, policy and procedures and ensures compliance in work practices.</li> </ul>	Level 2
	<ul> <li>Demonstrates a commitment to client privacy and confidentiality by securing records and practicing excellent administration practices.</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. Ensures that key requirements are met.</li> <li>Demonstrates flexibility in planning to meet unforeseen circumstances.</li> </ul>	Capability Level Level 3
	<ul> <li>Uses planning tools, systems and procedures to plan and organise own and teams performance.</li> </ul>	
PROLEM SOLVING AND DECISION MA		
Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	Capability Level
Demonstrates analytical thinking and problem solving skills	<ul> <li>Seeks all relevant information on problem to assist in development of solutions.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Engages key stakeholders to find best solution to problems.</li> </ul>	Level 3
	Implements and monitors solutions.	
	<ul> <li>Instructs and guides others in the process of resolving problems.</li> </ul>	
COMMUNICATION		
Capability and Elements	Behavioural Indicators	Capability Level
Demonstrates effective verbal communication skills	<ul> <li>Confidently conveys ideas and information in a clear and interesting manner.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Explains complex concepts in such a way as to be understood by the target audience.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Develops scripts and presentations to range of audiences on specific projects and initiatives.</li> </ul>	Level 3
	<ul> <li>Models good verbal communication techniques to the team.</li> </ul>	
Uses written communication	<ul><li>Diffuses tense situations comfortably.</li><li>Demonstrates knowledge of effective</li></ul>	
effectively	communication and uses the most appropriate method.	
	<ul> <li>Develops briefs and recommendations which balance competing ideas and arguments.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Writes policy and procedures in a logical and systematic way.</li> </ul>	Level 4
	<ul> <li>Produces reports and recommendations which clearly explain concepts that support arguments.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Develops operational guidelines, complex technical reports and projects scopes for the immediate work area.</li> </ul>	
Negotiates with skills and influence	<ul> <li>Undertakes straight forward negotiations around timelines for delivery of service for both internal and external stakeholders.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Establishes trust with stakeholders and works to understand their needs.</li> </ul>	Level 2
	<ul> <li>Convinces others of the appropriate course of action based on knowledge and experience.</li> </ul>	2010.2
	<ul> <li>Always uses respect and courtesy when negotiating.</li> </ul>	

<ul> <li>Understands and applies tactics to manage conflict in the work situations.</li> <li>Takes a problem solving approach to resolving conflict.</li> <li>Actively listens and uses this to clarify problems and focus attention on facts and solutions rather than feelings and grievances.</li> </ul>	Level 2
<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
<ul> <li>Behavioural Indicators</li> <li>Regularly reviews policy and procedure in the work area to ensure efficiency and compliance.</li> <li>Consults widely throughout the organisation for the effective development of workplace policy and procedure relevant to area of responsibility.</li> <li>Consults with stakeholders to develop clear and</li> </ul>	Capability Level  Level 4
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## **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	Behavioural Indicators     Assists with budget reviews and works to established budgets.     Demonstrates good skills in financial analysis and reporting.     Effectively manages teams budget and ensures financial targets and controls are maintained.	Capability Level
PROJECT MANAGEMENT		
Capability and Elements Experience managing and/or participating in projects	<ul> <li>Behavioural Indicators</li> <li>Develops project plans for the efficient delivery of moderately complex projects.</li> <li>Defines and allocates tasks and resources in a project.</li> <li>Uses project management tools to document and capture data.</li> <li>Communicates and monitor's progress with project team and key stakeholders.</li> <li>Evaluates the success of the progress and reports on findings to senior management.</li> <li>Is responsible for meeting time, budget and quality requirements on parts of projects or smaller projects.</li> <li>Implements project monitoring frameworks.</li> <li>Implement project evaluation frameworks</li> </ul>	Capability Level
TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE		
Capability and Elements  Demonstrates and applies technical/professional experience	<ul> <li>Behavioural Indicators</li> <li>Demonstrates an in depth understanding of whole of company operations and seeks links to own role.</li> <li>Keeps up to date on current research and technology in the industry and own professional field.</li> <li>Provides authoritative advice.</li> <li>Add any other skills and/or experience required for this role. Include qualifications,</li> </ul>	Capability Level