

Position title	Executive Support Officer
Group	Senior Executive Team
Employment status	Full time, ongoing
Classification	SCHCADS Award
Position reports to	Executive Director
Location	Abbotsford
Delegation	Not applicable

Organisation environment

Djirra¹ is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation with over 20 years' experience accompanying Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, and their children, on their individual journeys. We find solutions through Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women sharing their stories, journeys, and experiences. Djirra celebrates women's strength and resilience. We are committed to a future without family violence.

We deliver holistic, culturally safe, specialist family violence support, legal services and case management, alongside cultural and wellbeing workshops and programs. Our services have state-wide reach, touching every part of Victoria to meet the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women. Self-determination is the foundation of everything we do.

Djirra amplifies the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women. We advocate for system-wide change to improve access to justice, eliminate systemic violence, and strengthen women's resilience.

We are an active member of the National Family Violence Prevention and Legal Services Forum, the peak body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are experiencing or at risk of family violence.

Role purpose

The Senior Executive Team (SET) consists of the Executive Director (ED) and 6 Directors, being Director Legal Services, Co-Directors Engagement & Support, Director Office of the CEO, Director Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer.

The Executive Support Officer will provide high level administration, coordination and support services to the ED and SET, including secretariat support for SET, manager and staff meetings, event coordination, and project support activities.

Key accountabilities

- Provide high level administrative support to the ED, promptly and efficiently addressing any issues and managing tasks even in the ED's absence.
- Effectively and efficiently manage the diary of the ED.
- Ensure coordination with the CEO's Executive Assistant, including CEO and ED diaries.
- Manage incoming and outgoing email communications where required by the ED.
- Manage work related expenses for the ED, ensuring they are accurately entered into Sage Intacct.
- Provide administrative support to the Office of the CEO as agreed with the ED.
- Manage the booking of and travel itineraries for the ED, and for all members of the SET as requested.
- Provide additional support to individual SET members as agreed with the ED.
- Arrange and support meetings for the SET, including agenda, minutes, and catering.

¹ Djirra is the Woiwurrung word for the reed used by Wurundjeri women for basket weaving. Traditionally, when women gathered to weave, important talks took place and problems were solved. Djirra symbolises Aboriginal women today, still coming together to share stories, support each other and find solutions.

- Maintain documents and records, ensuring confidentiality for the ED and SET.
- Prepare a broad range of information and briefing reports on issues for the ED and SET as required.
- Maintain the schedule for managers meetings and coordinate agendas. Maintain the schedule for all-staff meetings, coordinate agendas, and take notes.
- Identify opportunities for continuous quality improvement of processes and procedures and ensure the maintenance of appropriate files, records, and data to facilitate quality and accountability.
- Support the delivery of small projects and events, including the development of project plans and reports to support progress reporting.
- Participate in network meetings, working groups and forums relevant to the work of the role.
- Participate in team meetings, organisational meetings, and professional development opportunities.
- Other duties, as required.

Key selection criteria

Professional / Functional Skills

Essential

- Demonstrated ability to work or learn to work with Aboriginal organisations, communities and individuals in culturally appropriate ways as well as mainstream organisations.
- Maturity, flexibility and empathetic to the needs of Aboriginal victims and survivors of family violence, particularly women.
- Demonstrated ability to provide professional, customer service focused administrative support.
- Demonstrated ability to effectively undertake executive level administration duties.
- Reliable, friendly and team orientated.
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and as part of a team.

Desirable

- Experience working in a community-based organisation.

Competency

- Self-motivated and capable of working independently
- Thrives in a high performing and collaborative work environment with varied duties
- Excellent time management skills that demonstrate an ability to prioritise and execute tasks within timeframes.
- Effective verbal and written communication with the ability to express thoughts clearly and actively listen to ensure stakeholder requirements are clearly understood.
- Highly organised with strong attention to detail, proactive, takes initiative with a results-driven approach
- Builds strong relationships and develops an understanding of others to motivate them and confidently address conflict situations.

Technical Skills

- Advanced computer skills, including familiarity with MS suite of tools with intermediate or higher MS excel skills, and experience with databases.
- Ability to learn new systems, including external portals.

Qualifications

Essential

- Willing to obtain a Police Check
- Willing to obtain a Victorian Employees Working with Children Check (WWCC)
- A current driver's licence is essential. Some out-of-hours travel, regular regional travel and/or overnights may be required.
- A minimum of three years' experience in an administration and support role.



Desirable

- Experience in an Aboriginal Community Controlled, legal and/or community setting.
- Diploma in business administration (or equivalent qualification)

Workplace health and safety

Djirra is committed to providing and maintaining the health and safety of its employees.

All staff at Djirra are expected to champion proactive and positive health and safety practices in the workplace and when working offsite by raising health, safety and wellbeing issues or concerns with managers and colleagues. Staff are required to observe all safe work procedures, rules and instructions, and take all reasonable care for their own safety and for the safety of work colleagues by always operating in a safe and appropriate manner. Staff are encouraged to undertake related training e.g. – First Aid training, Fire Warden, etc.

Information about these policies is contained in Djirra's Human Resources Policy Manual.

We are a Child Safe Organisations

Djirra is a child safe organisation and is committed in everyday practice to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children, at all times. As a child safe organisation, employment with Djirra is subject to a satisfactory Australian Criminal History Check and an *Employee Working with Children Check* (in Victoria).

An International Police Check will also be required if you have resided continuously in an overseas country for 12 months or more in the last ten years.

Other important information

Djirra's employees and volunteers are required to adhere to relevant policies and procedures including, but not limited, to:

- Code of Conduct Policy
- Occupational Health and Safety Policy
- Social Media Use Policy
- Privacy Information Policy
- Conflict of Interest Policy
- Volunteer Policy

Information about these policies is contained in Djirra's Human Resources Policy Manual.

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I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Position Description and have read and understand its contents.

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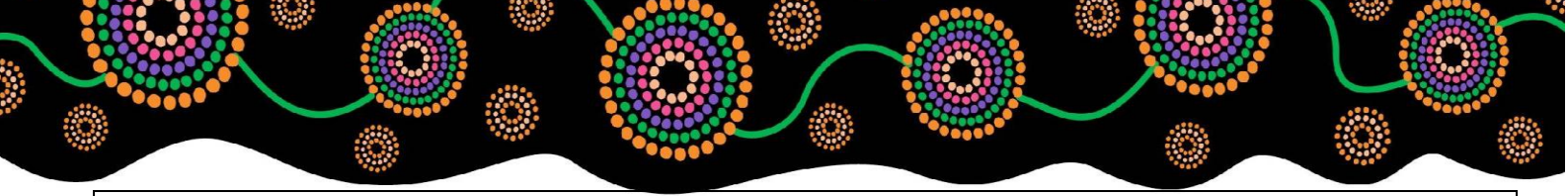
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Manager's name:

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HR CHECKLIST



- ☐ Return one copy of completed form and any attachments (e.g. current Organisation Chart) to the employee to keep.
- ☐ Place one copy of completed form and any attachments on the employee's Performance File.
- ☐ Retain original completed form and any attachments on the employee's Personnel File.

Initials: _____

Date: / /