



OPEN COMPETITION

**Executive Director, Child and Youth Advocacy
Executive Manager 2
Office of the Child and Youth Advocate
Edmonton, Alberta**

Job ID: 1053584

Closing date: March 13, 2019

About Us

The Office of the Child and Youth Advocate (OCYA) is an office of the Alberta Legislature. Our office provides individual advocacy for children and youth receiving services under the *Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act* and the *Protection of Sexually Exploited Children Act*, and youth involved with the youth justice system. The OCYA is also responsible for providing legal representation for young people in matters related to the *Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act* and the *Protection of Sexually Exploited Children Act*. The OCYA conducts investigations of serious injuries and deaths of children involved with the child intervention and youth justice systems. The OCYA engages stakeholders in understanding the importance of respecting young people's rights, interests and viewpoints, and delivers public education.

We are committed to a diverse and inclusive public service that reflects the population we serve to best meet the needs of Albertans. Consider joining a team where diversity, inclusion and innovation are valued and supported. For more information on diversity and inclusion, please visit: <https://www.alberta.ca/diversity-inclusion-policy.aspx>.

Role

Want to make a difference for Alberta's young people? Looking to join an organization that puts the rights, interests and viewpoints of children and youth at the forefront?

Reporting to the Child and Youth Advocate, you will lead the planning and delivery of effective advocacy services across the province, ensuring high quality and consistent level of services to young people. Your leadership in providing individual and systemic advocacy will inform and influence changes to legislation, policies and practices in government systems that support young people.

Your policy lens will help to inform our investigative review reports. You will take a lead in developing special reports based on systemic issues impacting young people in the child welfare and youth justice systems, and provide significant input into the Child and Youth Advocate's reports and advice provided to Alberta's Legislative Assembly.

This role involves significant collaboration with partners, stakeholders, communities, and child welfare and youth justice service providers. You will lead the work of the Office with Indigenous leaders and communities to achieve positive outcomes for young people. Your extensive

experience working with children and youth will help you to effectively relate to and engage with them in this role.

When acting for the Child and Youth Advocate you will oversee the operation of the Office, manage media and stakeholder issues, and act as a representative for provincial and national forums and committees.

As an ideal candidate you bring extensive related executive leadership in a public service organization, which preferably includes child welfare, youth justice, human rights or advocacy. In addition, you have a core understanding of legislation frameworks, policy development and are equipped with systems thinking and innovation. You also have proven ability in providing sound advice, strategic direction and guidance to senior level executives.

To be successful in this role, you require an established reputation for working effectively with multiple stakeholders to achieve positive results for young people. You are known for your ability to maintain an inclusive workplace that fosters the development of others, facilitates cooperation and teamwork, and ensures excellence.

Qualifications:

A university degree in social work, social sciences or law is preferred, along with several years of executive leadership experience in child welfare, youth justice, law or human rights.

Notes:

Only applications that include a cover letter outlining your executive leadership experience will be considered.

Final candidates will be required to undergo a security screening.

Salary:

This Executive Manager 2 position offers a salary range of \$153,289 to \$201,175 (\$5,873.18 - \$7,707.88 bi-weekly).

How to Apply:

Visit www.jobs.alberta.ca for more information and to apply directly on-line, or fax your resume to the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate at (780) 638-3718 attention Liz Kennedy. When applying online, please submit your cover letter and resume as one file. Online applications will receive an automated confirmation. You will be contacted if you are selected for an interview. If you have any questions, or require further information on this position, you may contact Liz Kennedy, Manager Human Resources at (780) 643-9138 or liz.kennedy@ocya.alberta.ca.