

Poverty Truth Network Communications & Funding Worker Job Pack

BACKGROUND

The Poverty Truth Network (PTN) is a registered charity, founded in 2019. It exists to: support the establishment of new Poverty Truth Commissions (PTCs); nurture existing PTCs; amplify themes emerging from PTCs nationally; and collaborate with other organisations committed to tackling poverty.

At the heart of our work is the conviction that no lasting social change happens without the involvement of those most directly impacted by current injustices. The PTN operates with a dispersed, part-time staff team answerable to a voluntary trustee body, at least half of whose members have direct ongoing experience of the struggle against poverty.

The PTN is committed enabling PTCs to operate effectively, supporting them where appropriate to raise the funds to undertake their work, and to communicate their work effectively.

This role has been created to support the PTCs to secure funding and maximise appropriate coverage for the work of local Poverty Truth Commissions; and to facilitate the communications and funding work of the Network as it develops.

INFORMATION

For more information about the Poverty Truth Network, please check out our <u>website</u>. For more information about the role, contact Martin Johnstone on <u>martin@povertytruthnetwork.org</u> or 07938 333587.

APPLICATION PROCESS

If you are interested in applying for this role, please complete the attached application form and return it to Julia Coulton at <u>julia@povertytruthnetwork.org</u> by 12 noon on Friday 17th June Interviews will be held online on **Monday 18th and Wednesday 20th July** with a view to the role commencing in asap.

JOB DESCRIPTION - COMMUNICATIONS & FUNDING WORKER

Job Title	Communications & Funding Worker
Hours	11.25 hours (1.5 days) per week, worked flexibly over a two-month period
Duration	3-year fixed term contract, subject to extension dependent on funding
Salary	\pounds 32,272 p.a. FTE (this equates to \pounds 9,682 p.a. for 1.5 days per week) with 7.5% employer pension contribution
Location	Homeworking, with travel as required
Responsible to	Co-Director (Amplify)
Staff Linkages	Co-Director (Development & Support); PTN Coordinator; PTN Staff Team
External Links	Poverty Truth Commission Facilitators; potential funders; media links.

Job Purpose

To support PTCs to secure funding and maximise appropriate coverage for the work of local Poverty Truth Commissions; and to facilitate the communications and funding work of the Network.

Key Tasks

The key tasks of the role are:

- to work with PTC facilitators to identify potential funders and to enable them to access appropriate advice and training in making application for funding;
- to provide support, advice, and access to training for PTC facilitators engaging with the media on behalf of their commissions;
- to act as the first point of contact for media requests to the PTN and to grow positive relationships with media outlets committed to the PTN model of working;
- to coordinate the PTN's social media presence, offering advice as appropriate, to PTCs;
- to ensure that the PTN website is kept up to date with a regular blog reflecting the experience and diversity of the Network's activities; and,
- to participate in the wider work of the PTN as appropriate and requested.

Line Management

Whilst the post holder will, in the first instance, report to the Co-Director (Amplify), the role will operate across the work of the Poverty Truth Network, also linking closely with the Co-Director (Development & Support).

Skills, Knowledge & Experience

The successful candidate should have experience of accessing funding for charitable purposes from trusts and foundations. They should also have had experience of media engagement and writing.

Personal Profile

- Personable, friendly, able to build and sustain relationships with a wide variety of people.
- Ability to travel and to work flexibly.
- Adept at offering guidance.
- Some knowledge of how a PTC works is desirable.
- Experience of accessing funding for charitable purposes from trusts and foundations
- Experience of media engagement and writing
- Able to empower others to resolve issues and develop strategies.
- Able to listen well and express empathy.
- Excellent presentation skills both verbal and written.
- Able to be boundaried around role and personal support.
- Self-motivated and able to work without supervision.
- A team player who is willing to get involved where needed.
- Comfortable working remotely.
- Commitment to issues of poverty and injustice.
- Openness to learn from others.