

Healthy Communities Coordinator

Shaping Our Appalachian Region (SOAR) is hiring a full-time position to coordinate programming under the Healthy Communities pillar of its strategic blueprint. This position is made possible through partnership with the Kentucky Department for Public Health (KDPH) and will involve close coordination with KDPH's CDC Public Health Associate (PHAP) posted to SOAR.

The successful candidate will play a crucial role in fostering and promoting health and wellness within Eastern Kentucky.

This position will report to SOAR's Chief Operational Officer and will be required to work at least three days a week inside the SOAR HQ office in Pikeville.

Duties and Responsibilities

1. Collaboration and Partnerships:

- Establish and maintain partnerships with local healthcare providers, non-profits, and government agencies specifically the Kentucky Department for Public Health.
- Collaborate with existing local and regional health departments to leverage resources and expand the reach of health programs.
- Participate in KDPH related committees or workgroups, as requested
- Work closely with SOAR's CDC PHAP assigned by the Kentucky Department for Public Health and posted to SOAR HQ in Pikeville.

2. Community Engagement:

- Develop and maintain positive relationships with community members, organizations, and stakeholders.
- Act as a representative of our organization at community events, meetings, and forums.

3. Needs Assessments:

- Collaborate with local health departments to evaluate local needs assessments and the efforts to complete them.
- Collaborate with SOAR's internal marketing team to promote needs assessments and findings from them across different Eastern Kentucky audiences.

4. Program Development:

- Design, implement, and oversee health and wellness programs that address identified community needs. This includes strategic events.
- Collaborate with internal teams, external partners, and experts to ensure program effectiveness.



5. Education and Outreach:

- Create and deliver educational materials and workshops on health topics relevant to the community.
- Implement outreach strategies to raise awareness of available health resources and programs.

6. Data Collection and Reporting:

- Collect and analyze data related to community health trends.
- Prepare regular reports on program outcomes and community health indicators.
- Work with SOAR's Grants Program Manager to submit required reporting to the Kentucky Department for Public Health.

7. Strategic/Improvement Planning:

• Assist in creation of CHA/CHIP Strategic Planning documents.

Expectations

- Bachelor's degree in public health, community health, social work, or a related field is preferred but not required.
- Proven experience in community engagement, program development, and implementation.
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills. Training and group facilitation experience preferred.
- Knowledge of public health issues and community resources.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively with diverse groups.
- Experience in data collection and reporting.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook).
- Good attention to detail and a positive attitude
- Develop working knowledge of KDPH data collection tools such as REDCap and Academy of Science

Culture and Core Values

SOAR's mission is simple: grow Eastern Kentucky's population.

Our team culture is anchored by putting the interests of Eastern Kentucky first in all that we do. We believe treating others the way we want to be treated is always within our control. Our core values include faith, selflessness, grit, integrity, and empathy. We do our best to exemplify these daily in our interactions with each other and with external partners.

Why SOAR?

The SOAR organization offers a chance to be part of a movement that's bigger than any one of us individually. Eastern Kentucky won't be solved by others. It's going to take us to come together to find the solutions. Through communications, collaborations, and convenings, SOAR



is on the front lines helping to get the right people in the right rooms to ensure the future of Eastern Kentucky burns as bright as ever.

SOAR offers a competitive salary along with the following benefits:

- 100% paid individual health insurance
- SIMPLE IRA retirement plan
- Cell phone stipend
- Mileage reimbursement for work-related travel
- Laptop provided
- Annual bonus

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Email a cover letter, resume, and salary history to **hr@soar-ky.org**.

SOAR is an equal opportunity employer. All applicants will be considered for employment without attention to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran, or disability status.