



## Senior Project Officer - Strategy & Intergovernmental Relationships

- **Location: Parramatta CBD with access to hybrid work arrangements**
- **Full time ongoing opportunity (35 hours per week)**
- **Salary from \$129,464 to \$ 142,665 pa. + super and annual leave loading**

This is a targeted recruitment. While all applicants are welcome, preference will be given to candidates who meet the established standards of the role and are of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait islander descent. This is because the Department acknowledges this lived experience contributes a perspective valuable to our work with this community.

### Your role

The Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) is seeking a Senior Project Officer – Strategy and Intergovernmental Relationships to lead the development, management, and coordination of AHOs 10-year strategy and intergovernmental relationships that support AHOs objectives.

The role is responsible for driving collaboration across NSW Government agencies and external government stakeholders, ensuring alignment with Closing the Gap targets, Aboriginal community priorities, and government commitments.

The role provides expert advice, supports the AHO Executive and Chief Executive and senior leadership in intergovernmental forums, and develops frameworks, reports, and strategies that strengthen AHO's position and influence in housing and related policy.

### What you'll do

- Attend meetings and build relationships, undertake engagement activities as planned to strengthen relationships with NSW Government agencies, other Government agencies including Commonwealth and across jurisdictions and other stakeholders.
- Lead engagement with agencies including Homes NSW, DCJ, DPHI, Aboriginal Affairs NSW, Treasury, the Premier's Department, and NSW Health to progress shared objectives and deliver better outcomes for Aboriginal communities.
- Coordinate and prepare intergovernmental and partnership reporting requirements, ensuring timeliness, accuracy, and alignment with AHO's strategic priorities.
- Provide strategic advice and high-quality briefings to the AHO Executive, Chief Executive and senior leadership for interagency forums, working groups, and reference groups.
- Facilitate and represent AHO in intergovernmental and partnership working groups, building effective networks and collaborative approaches to housing policy, programs, and service delivery.
- Identify and manage risks, issues, and opportunities arising from partnerships and intergovernmental relationships, escalating as required.
- Monitor, analyse, and report on intergovernmental housing initiatives and commitments, including Closing the Gap targets, to inform policy and strategic planning.
- Foster a culture of collaboration and respect for Aboriginal values and priorities, ensuring Aboriginal voices are central in strategic partnerships and intergovernmental arrangements

### What we're looking for

You will be a strategic thinker and strong communicator with experience working in complex and culturally sensitive environments. You'll have:

- Demonstrated experience leading strategic projects in a government, policy, or community focused setting.
- Strong stakeholder engagement skills.
- Proven ability to coordinate consultation processes, integrate diverse inputs, and develop high level strategic documents.
- Excellent written skills, with experience preparing executive briefings and reports.
- Strong organisational skills and the ability to manage competing priorities and deadlines.
- A commitment to Aboriginal self determination and culturally safe engagement.

Download the [role description](#)

To apply directly for this role please click [here](#).

We focus on hiring people who share our commitment and goals of inclusion, collaboration, adaptability, courage and integrity. If you meet the essential requirements and the role resonates with you, please apply – you do not need to meet every detailed requirement for us to want to talk to you.

### What We Offer

We offer a variety of benefits, including:

- A challenging and rewarding career
- Flexible, autonomous work environment
- Competitive pay and conditions
- Training and development opportunities to build and maintain capabilities
- Health & Wellbeing and Employee Assistance Programs.
- Ability to progress to other roles in the department.

Want more information? Visit our website to see more information on [Working for us](#)

### We do work that really matters

Working for the Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) provides lots of opportunities to make a real difference. We collaborate with other agencies and community partners, to improve lives and realise the potential of children, adults, families and communities. We're focused on breaking, rather than managing, disadvantage. It's work that really matters.

Apply now and join [Australia's top public sector employer](#) where we will support you and provide an exciting and flexible working environment!

### Are you ready to join us?

Click apply, attach a cover letter (maximum 2 pages) outlining how you meet the requirements of the role as well as an up-to-date résumé (maximum 5 pages).

**Applications close: Thursday 23 April 2026 11:59pm**

### Got a question?

For more information about the role or what it's like to work for DCJ, please contact the hiring manager Deslin Foster [deslin.foster@aho.nsw.gov.au](mailto:deslin.foster@aho.nsw.gov.au)

If you've got a question about applying or would benefit from an adjustment in the recruitment process to help you perform at your best (including an alternate method submission of the application), please call Stephanie Hughes on 02 8688 0027 or via [Stephanie.hughes@dcj.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Stephanie.hughes@dcj.nsw.gov.au)

Visit [Recruitment adjustments on the DCJ website](#) to learn more.

### Inclusion and Diversity lies at the heart of how we recruit

We continue to hire great people with a wide variety of skills, experience and backgrounds. This includes people with disability, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People, women, people identifying as LGBTIQ+, culturally and linguistically diverse people, carers and other diversity groups.

To find out what DCJ are doing to build an inclusive and diverse workforce, visit [Inclusion and diversity on the DCJ website](#).

### Other Information

A talent pool may be created for future ongoing and temporary roles and is valid for a period of up to 18 months.

For more information visit [Applying for DCJ jobs](#) on the DCJ website.

**Thank you for your interest in this role. We look forward to receiving your application. To keep up with recruitment opportunities at DCJ, follow us on Facebook: [facebook.com/CareersatDCJ/](https://facebook.com/CareersatDCJ/)**

### The Welcome Experience

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The careers site currently promotes this service on the [Discover roles with DCJ in regional NSW](#) page.