Title: Program Manager  
Reports To: Program Director  
Salary Range: $55,000 - $85,000 DOE  
Location: Bellingham, WA

The Pipeline Safety Trust seeks two (2) Program Managers to join our growing team dedicated to protecting people and the environment from pipeline accidents.

WHO WE ARE
The Pipeline Safety Trust (PST), based in Bellingham, WA is a national non-profit organization founded in response to the fatal 1999 Olympic Pipeline Explosion as a watchdog on the US pipeline industry and its regulators. PST is the only national pipeline safety advocacy organization and has been a tremendously successful public safety advocate – fighting for basic and common-sense regulations, testifying before Congress, educating and engaging the public about pipeline safety, and helping state, local, and Tribal governments make sense of regulations, responsibilities, and levers of power.

Our mission is to promote pipeline safety through education and advocacy, increased access to information, and partnerships with residents, safety advocates, government, and industry, resulting in safer communities and a healthier environment.

The Pipeline Safety Trust also recognizes the contribution to planetary warming of the transportation of oil and gas by pipelines. While ensuring the integrity of the pipelines that run through communities, farms, and natural environments remains our primary mission, the PST’s dedication to pipeline safety, ecological sustainability, and environmental justice requires us to work toward a rapid and just energy transition.

WHAT WE VALUE
The Board and staff of the Pipeline Safety Trust value:

- Public safety and public interest
- Trust and credibility
- Fearless independence
- Inclusiveness and accessibility
- Proactive strategies

ABOUT THE ROLE
The Pipeline Safety Trust is seeking two conscientious and resilient advocates with a commitment to work that keeps communities and the environment safe from pipeline accidents and the potentially largest threat from pipelines – climate change.

The Program Managers in these newly created positions, will work in collaboration with the rest of the PST team to advance key pipeline safety policies, educate the public and elected officials, and respond to requests for information. These two positions will become essential parts of advancing Pipeline Safety Trust’s policy agenda before state and federal lawmakers, state and federal executive agencies, allied organizations, and the public.
The ideal candidate will also have an active interest in engaging in Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity work; investigating how pipelines impact communities, including impacts related to Environmental Justice; and creating solutions to pipeline issues through the lens of climate change.

There remains an abundance of public interest work to be done in pipeline safety, and therefore, the ideal candidate will be inspired by the possibilities of charting one’s own path and working on issues that they find most engaging. Some areas of needed work include: increasing public and local government engagement, encouraging federal, state and industry actions to reduce methane emissions, safety of Liquified Natural Gas facilities, leak detection systems, remote and automatic shut-off valves, improving the safety of CO2 pipelines used in Carbon Capture and Sequestration, and assisting state, local, and tribal governments to use their respective authorities to improve pipeline safety.

Core Responsibilities:

- Create programs to educate the public about the pipelines that run through their communities to encourage productive engagement
- Create programs to reduce barriers to allow for more public participation and engagement on pipeline issues
- Create venues to encourage ongoing engagement
- Build a more inclusive and diverse engaged public
- Track and analyze pipeline-related local, state, and federal rulemakings, policies, and legislation
- Create and maintain strong working relationships with Congressional and Administration staff on pipeline issues
- Research and create fact sheets, talking points, and other outreach materials
- Contribute to the PST’s annual Pipeline Safety Conference in New Orleans, LA
- Represent the Pipeline Safety Trust in the media where appropriate

Skills and Qualifications:

Because we are hiring two Program Managers from this single job posting and description, there is significant leeway in skills, qualifications, and levels of experience. We encourage anyone drawn to and inspired by this work to apply so long as some of the desired educational or working experience is met. We don’t expect everyone to meet all of the listed skills and qualifications.

The ideal candidate will have:

- The ability to evaluate and analyze legislation
- The ability to build a community engagement program
- Working knowledge of federal regulatory and legislative processes
- A law degree, especially an environmental law degree, (not required but considered a plus)
- Experience working collaboratively within diverse and inclusive coalitions, including affected communities, environmental organizations, labor unions, industry and governmental representatives
- Excellent analytical, written, and oral communication skills
Location

The Pipeline Safety Trust office is located in Bellingham, WA. Our strong preference is that our Program Managers will live in or near the Bellingham community in order to draw inspiration from the place, community, and tragedy that formed the organization. COVID-permitting, the Program Managers will be expected to work in a home-office hybrid model.

HOW TO APPLY

Email resume and cover letter to jobs@pstrust.org

Applications are due by February 18th, 2022.

PST is committed to equal employment opportunities and encourages applications from people of all races, ages, gender identities, sexual orientations, religions, beliefs, national origins, or abilities.