



Australian Business Volunteers

Position Description: Agribusiness Strategist PAU011142

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Assignment role title	Agribusiness Strategist
Partner organisation name	Braidwood and Villages Business Chamber (BAVBC)
Partner organisation location	Braidwood, NSW
Assignment timeframes	8-week duration commencing ASAP once a suitable candidate is identified, recruited and their availability discussed
Key dates	Start ASAP
Approximate time commitment	Approx 3-5 hours per week
Assignment mode/location	Online/remote. Travel is not designed into this assignment, but should it eventuate, all travel must be compliant with ABV's Travel Policy.

Primary Purpose of the Position

A robust local business community is a key part of a community's resilience in the face of disaster. The ramifications are especially far-reaching when, as Braidwood is, a service centre for several nearby villages. Braidwood and surrounding areas are largely a farming district with both large commercial farms and small boutique producers. This ABV assignment is to investigate and document the complex layers and elements associated with 2 projects that the local Business Chamber would like to set up:

- 1) Mobile abattoir
- 2) Food co op

Role responsibilities and deliverables

- Ensure the outcomes for this role are met, and challenges and issues are raised appropriately.
- Take responsibility for clear, timely, transparent, and respectful communications with all persons involved.
- Be available during agreed times throughout the role and be committed to the work at hand.

Selection Criteria:

Broad ranging as well as deep understanding of agribusiness, its mechanics, stakeholder networks, business models, industry knowledge, etc

Prerequisites for SBPs undertaking assignments.

- To register with ABV (if not already registered):
 - ✓ At least 5 years relevant professional experience
 - ✓ You must be able to Volunteer with ABV under your existing Visa or Citizenship Conditions and you will be asked to provide evidence of this
 - ✓ Willingness to apply for police check and Working With Children Check
 - ✓ Willingness to be interviewed and have references checked
- To undertake an ABV assignment once registered:
 - ✓ Willingness to interview for the role with ABV program staff and possibly partner organisation
 - ✓ Acceptable police check and Working with Children Check
 - ✓ Sign the ABV Letter of Agreement (Code of Conduct, etc)
 - ✓ Medical check, compliance with all travel, entry and in-country requirements (where international deployment is part of the assignment)

Notes:

- Should you wish to discuss any personal circumstances with respect to any special requirements you have and/or local cultures of assignment locations, ABV is very open to doing so.
- Where travel is part of the assignment, we encourage you to realistically reflect on your ability to acclimatize to different environments, terrains, and lifestyles, and to discuss this with ABV if you have any questions or concerns.

Attributes of SBPs seeking to work with ABV

- Respect for ABV staff, local communities, and their knowledge and experience
- Understanding and respect for cross-cultural contexts
- Exceptional communication skills (including interpersonal, written, verbal, non-verbal, and listening)
- Ability to read, listen to and manage community expectations and deliver accordingly
- Empathy, patience, and collaborative attitude
- Comfort in building relationships remotely (using online communication tools)
- Comfortable to trouble-shoot and manage ambiguity

HOW TO APPLY:

Please submit your basic Expression of Interest to recruitment@abv.org.au as soon as possible, confirming the following:

- The Role name and Assignment Number
- That you have the relevant skills and experience as outlined in the Selection Criteria.
- Confirmation that you are a registered volunteer with ABV or are willing to go through ABV's screening process to become a registered volunteer.
- If there are any special considerations, we would need to make for you.

What will happen next?

- ABV will review all applications as they are received
- Shortlisted candidates will be sent a Terms of Reference (ToR) document (aka Assignment Description) and may be requested to return a detailed Expression of Interest (EoI) addressing the selection criteria in the ToR.
- ABV will communicate with all candidates to let them know the outcome of their application.

ABV is an equal opportunity employer and Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander peoples, people from culturally & linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds are encouraged to apply for this position.