# Contract, Remote Grant Writer

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Giant Squid Group is a social impact consulting agency that works with start-up and small nonprofits to help them build their fundraising and leadership capacity. We do this through an intersectional feminist and antiracist lens. We're moms and millennials who believe the nonprofit sector can change the world - but might need some help along the way.

We've been described as "a heavily tattooed group of moms disrupting the nonprofit sector" and "pretty fucking rad". We're looking to add a **part-time, remote, contract grant writer** (**estimated 5-10 hours/week)** to join our team. We strongly prefer a Chicago-based grant writer with personal and/or professional experience writing about the arts fields as well as social, racial, and economic justice. This might be the job for you if you...

- Are a seasoned writer who wants part-time work with one or two clients.
- Understand that grant writing is about a lot more than just writing, and that your role includes being a coach, strategist, cheerleader, project manager, and writer.
- Have written more grant proposals than you can remember, and understand the ins and outs of grant writing and running a successful grants program.
- **Do** sweat the details and can manage your clients' grants calendars with a zeal for color coding to make sure that nothing slips through the cracks.
- Take prospect research as a personal challenge, and can easily find qualified funding prospects.
- Love helping people, and can bring patient, expert, and professional support to clients with an unwavering commitment to details, professionalism and customer service.
- Want to be part of an engaged, professional team where you can work a flexible schedule, take ownership of your time and workload, and grow your own skills.

### **Grant Writer Qualifications & Skills**

No two grant writers are the same, and we all have varied career paths, strengths, and areas of expertise. Rather than having a list of "must have credentials" we would like to share a set of experiences and traits that make our grant writers and consultants successful on our team and with clients. Our grant writers are successful because:

- They have really, really good writing skills. Like really good.
- They're flexible, adaptable, and creative. They can be a coach, cheerleader, and writer all in one.

- They're ridiculously organized and have an unwavering attention to detail. They juggle multiple clients, deadlines, and projects and make it look easy.
- They are a motivated part of the team who independently manages their clients and projects with minimal oversight but a lot of collaboration.
- They love what we do. They have a zeal for philanthropy and social justice, and have made nonprofit work their chosen vocation.

#### **How We Work**

Our team loves our work, but we also love what we do outside of work. We're fundraisers and grant writers, but we're also caretakers, artists, speakers, writers, activists, whiskey drinkers, jig-saw puzzle solvers, and runners (well, at least one of us runs). Our work is important to us — and we love what we do! — but we're as committed to mental health, work/life balance, and downtime as we are to meeting deadlines and crafting the perfect case for support. We're a 100% remote team, with consultants in Austin, TX and Chicago, IL.

Each team member works with a small portfolio of clients, managing all aspects of the client relationship from goal setting to grant submissions. We meet as a team often and help each other celebrate wins, navigate challenges, and set goals, but we work independently and rely on project management tools to keep our systems going.

**Fee structure:** The hourly rate for our grant writers is \$50/hour, and is scaled up based on your experience, additional work with Giant Squid Group, and the projects that we tackle together as a team.

#### **How To Apply**

Please share your resume or a link to LinkedIn, a few paragraphs about yourself, and a recent writing sample **here.**