



Economist Consultant

The Children's Foundation of Mississippi (CFM) is seeking a highly qualified, experienced professional for an Economist Consultant position. This position is a time-limited position funded by the Preschool Development Grant Birth-5 (PDG). The Children's Foundation of Mississippi (CFM) is focused on improving the policies and systems that affect the well-being of children in our state. We were founded in 2019 to serve as a convener, facilitator, advocate, and catalyst for positive change.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Interviews will be scheduled beginning April 11th. Please send your resume and cover letter to info@childrensfoundationms.org with the subject line "Economist Consultant."

Responsibilities/Skills:

- Work in concert with the CFM team to determine specific opportunities for measuring the economic impacts of policies and programs that impact Mississippi's 0–5-year-old population;
- Provide input to developing survey items to be fielded to the business sector in Mississippi to address both the current and future workforce in Mississippi;
- Provide economic impact statements and resultant policy brief(s) on the impact on the availability, affordability, and quality of early care and education in Mississippi, specific to the business/workforce development;
- Proficiency in relevant software packages for data analysis;
- Develop a strategic plan to measure the economic impact of quality early care and education in Mississippi;
- Present findings (both in-person and virtual), as requested by the CFM/PDG team to both internal and external audiences;
- Excellent communication skills (oral and written) including the ability to synthesize complex findings for non-technical audiences;
- Ability to use relevant software packages for data analysis

Qualifications:

- Ph.D. in economics preferred OR master's degree in economics with a minimum of 5 years of experience
- Demonstrated knowledge of survey development, data collection, data analysis, and report writing

Compensation: This will be based on experience. It is anticipated that the contract position may be up to 15 hours/week or up to 60 hours/month.