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To Whom It May Concern:

Firstly, I would like to convey how excited I am by the **Violence Prevention in TGD Communities Program**. As a queer with TGD friends, I am relieved to learn that a body of work exists that will hopefully improve the lives of other minorities who's needs have been ignored for too long.

I am writing in response to the **Senior Project Manager** position advertised on [ethicaljobs.com.au](http://ethicaljobs.com.au). I have **7 years of experience in Project Management** in the corporate sector across Australia, the UK and the EU. The work I have completed has mostly been on large "transformational" change Programs and I have been contributing "end to end" in terms of project delivery cycle – **from conception and design phase through to implementation and evaluation**. My biggest strengths are the "softer" skills – my ability to **communicate effectively**, appropriately and sensitively, my ability to **manage team members, stakeholders and their expectations**. Additionally, a significant amount of my experience has been working as a Project Manager and an Analyst simultaneously. This has necessitated **strong problem solving and time management skills**. I am not afraid of getting my hands dirty with "the detail" and strive to do whatever it takes to get the job done.

However I believe it is my **lived experience** as a sensitive, socially and politically aware queer person of colour that makes me a particularly good candidate for this role. I have faced many cultural, societal, familial and mental battles and no doubt will continue to do so. The idea of using what I have learnt, in combination with my corporate work experience, in the context of helping better the lives of others, is exactly what the next chapter of my life to be focused on. An example of this is that I am currently undergoing training with Thorne Harbour Health (formerly Victorian Aids Council) to help facilitate some of their Therapeutic Programs to assist people in need. Additionally, my educational background is in the psychological side of Business and Commerce (i.e. Marketing), but I am currently exploring options to further my education with a focus on **Social Work**.

I would love to discuss the aforementioned opportunity in more detail. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

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