

## **JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Title:**

Financial Consultant / Financial Senior Consultant  
Central Pines Regional Council  
Durham, NC (hybrid)

**Salary Range**

\$50/hour to \$80/hour based on candidate experience

No benefits are offered for this position.

**Whom We Seek:**

Are you a financial professional with a passion for supporting local governments and community development? Central Pines Regional Council is seeking skilled and dedicated individuals to join our new Finance Consulting team as a part-time Financial Consultant or Senior Finance Consultant. In this role, you will work on behalf of Central Pines to provide essential financial guidance and support to local governments in our seven-county region. If you are detail-oriented, analytical, and committed to driving positive change in the community, we invite you to apply.

**Description of Work:**

As a part of Central Pines Regional Council's Finance Consulting practice, you will work with local governments to strengthen, rethink, and transform their Finance function, helping them address some of their most complex challenges. You'll get to work with a small, dynamic team of experienced finance professionals to strategize, design and implement finance solutions that enable our member governments to improve operations and leverage federal and state funding.

In this role, there will be some travel to local governments across our region. All mileage costs will be reimbursed.

You'll have the opportunity to learn and be exposed to projects across our core Finance capabilities, which includes:

- Accounts Payable & Payroll
- General Bookkeeping
- Policy Development and Organizational Assessments
- Grant Accounting & Administration
- On-Call Chief Finance Officer (CFO) Support
- Capital Improvement Planning
- Tailored Staff and/or Software Training

- Management Consulting

*Responsibilities may include:*

- Assisting local governments with accounting and bookkeeping activities, ensuring compliance with relevant regulations and standards.
- Providing expertise in grant accounting, including the management and reporting of grant funds received by local governments.
- Supporting local governments in financial forecasting, budget preparation, and financial analysis to promote prudent financial decision-making.
- Developing financial policies, procedures, and internal controls for local governments, improving overall financial management practices.
- Offering guidance and training to local government staff on financial matters, promoting knowledge transfer and capacity building.
- Assisting local governments in the procurement process, providing financial expertise on contract management, vendor payments, and compliance.
- Monitoring financial performance and conducting periodic reviews to assess the effectiveness and efficiency of local government financial operations.
- Staying updated on relevant financial regulations, policies, and industry best practices to inform and guide local governments.
- Contributing to the development and implementation of grant accounting to support critical community development and economic development projects.

**Education**

- An undergraduate degree in Accounting, Finance, or related field
- Professional certification (e.g., CPA, CMA) highly desirable.

**Experience**

Consultant

- Solid understanding of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).
- Proven experience in financial management, accounting, or a similar role.
- Knowledge of MS Office, including Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook.
- Ability to work in a cross-functional, rapidly changing environment, and to lead and drive complex initiatives.
- Excellent analytical skills, outstanding business judgment, and ability to effectively communicate with clients, team members, and team leadership.

Senior Consultant

- All Consultant-level experience
- Strong knowledge of governmental accounting principles, practices, and regulations.
- Familiarity with grant accounting, contract management, and financial forecasting.

**Application Process:**

To apply for the Consultant/Senior Consultant position, please submit your resume, cover letter, and any relevant certifications to [employment@centralpinesnc.gov](mailto:employment@centralpinesnc.gov). The applications will be reviewed, and the most qualified candidates will be contacted for further assessment.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

CPRC is an Equal Opportunity Employer and designated Best Workplace for Commuters.

**Our organization:**

CPRC is a member-driven organization serving as a leading resource to connect communities and enhance their strategic priority outcomes through regional policy, collaboration, and technical assistance at the local, regional, and state levels. See the kind of work we do and learn more about CPRC's vision, mission, organizational principles, core values, and strategic focus areas at [www.centralpinesnc.gov](http://www.centralpinesnc.gov)