

#### **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

Title: Manager, Strategic Alliances Category: Full-time, Exempt

Reports to: Director, Strategic Alliances

Location: Kansas City, MO - OR - New York, NY - OR - San Francisco, CA

Effective: December 2016

#### Introduction

663 million people – about one in ten – lack access to safe water. 2.4 billion people don't have access to a toilet. We are working every day to change this. We are Water.org. We're here to bring water and sanitation to the world. We want to make it safe, accessible and cost-effective because we believe that water is the way to empowering a better life that we can all share in, worldwide. We are an international nonprofit organization based in Kansas City, Missouri that has positively transformed millions of lives around the world through access to safe water and sanitation. Founded by Gary White and Matt Damon, we have been pioneering innovative, sustainable solutions to the global water crisis for more than 25 years, giving women hope, children health and communities a future. Visit us to find out more at http://water.org/.

#### Summary

The Manager of Strategic Alliances is an individual contributor role, responsible for building strategic fundraising partnerships. Partnerships will include multi-national corporations, foundations, individuals, and key multilateral development organizations. This professional position requires collaboration and strong working relationships across all departments at Water.org. This position reports to the Director, Strategic Alliances, with close coordination with the Sr. Manager, Strategic Alliances.

#### **Kev Responsibilities**

Strategic Relationship Management

- Establish new, high-impact, fundraising partnerships
- Steward a pipeline of existing donors to maintain strong donor relationships that deepen and grow over time
- Strategically collaborate to meet individual, department and organizational fundraising goals, targeting gifts in the \$250,000 to \$1M+ range
- Develop and implement effective outreach strategies to pursue partnerships that support the expansion of Water.org's programs and operations worldwide
- Establish and display a thorough understanding of Water.org's scaling strategy, footprint, structure and unique selling points across its markets
- Assess and track donor behavior on an ongoing basis, prioritizing outreach and communication to each donor accordingly
- Develop timely revenue projections and provide complete, accurate internal reporting on donor outreach and activities
- Cultivate and maintain strong working relationships with key stakeholders, including management and program staff within Water.org, to develop comprehensive partnerships that drive revenue growth and advance Water.org's global scaling strategy

#### **Donor Reporting**

 Collaborate with the Grants Management team to develop and review written proposals and progress reports for complex partnerships, connecting donor interests to Water.org's

- in-country programs
- Collaborate with Water.org's marketing and communications team to develop tailored strategies for funders that lead to awareness, understanding and appreciation of Water.org's efforts worldwide

## Management Responsibility

Individual contributor with no subordinates

## **Scope Data**

- Responsible for fundraising partnerships averaging from \$250,000 to \$1M+
- Multiple, complex and multifaceted internal and external interfaces required
- Other duties as assigned

## **Skills and Competencies**

- Customer Focus Building strong customer relationships and delivering customercentric solutions
- **Nimble Learning** Actively learning through experimentation when tackling new problems, using both successes and failures as learning fodder
- **Drives Results** Consistently achieving results, even under tough circumstances
- Collaborates Building partnerships and working collaboratively with others to meet shared objectives
- **Self-development** Actively seeking new ways to grow and be challenged using other formal and informal development channels
- **Optimize Work Processes** Knowing the most effective and efficient processes to get things done, with a focus on continuous improvement
- Manages Ambiguity Manages ambiguity by operating effectively, even when things are not certain or the way forward is not clear
- Instills Trust Gaining the confidence and trust of others through honesty, integrity, and authenticity
- **Financial Stewardship** Demonstrates fiscally responsible decision making as applicable to one's role
- Plans and Aligns Planning and prioritizing work to meet commitments aligned with organizational goals
- Strategic Mindset Seeing ahead to future possibilities and translating them into breakthrough strategies
- **Cultivates Innovation** Creating new ways for the organization to be successful while thriving in an entrepreneurial, fast-paced environment
- Organizational Savvy Maneuvering comfortably through complex policy, process, and people-related organizational dynamics
- Drives Vision and Purpose Painting a compelling picture of the vision and strategy that motivates others to action; shows personal commitment to the vision
- **Situational Adaptability** Adapting approach and demeanor in real time to match the shifting demands of different situations

#### Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree required, Master's degree preferred
- Minimum of 7 years progressive experience in complex sales relationships, business

development and/or fundraising

- Strong understanding of the international development required
- Experience within the microfinance space and/or with Corporate Social Responsibility is given additional consideration
- Additional consideration given for knowledge of the water and sanitation sector and/or business development experience in India

# **Travel Requirement**

Must be willing to travel up to 30% domestically and internationally

#### Salary/Benefits

This position offers full-time benefits, including medical/dental insurance, life and disability insurance, retirement program and periodic review for merit and incentive pay based on organizational and personal achievement. Salary will be based on education and experience, and will coincide with similar nonprofit organizations in international development.

## **Application Information**

Please apply at <a href="http://water.org/about/careers/">http://water.org/about/careers/</a>

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