

Position: Senior Development Officer – Individual & Family Donors

Reports to: President/CEO **Status:** Full-time, exempt

Schedule: Monday-Friday. Occasional weekend and evening hours may be required.

Compensation: \$70,000 to \$80,000 annually (DOE) plus medical, dental and vision benefits. 403b

retirement plan available.

Objective: The Senior Development Officer plays a vital role in meeting The Discovery's

contributed income goals, with a focus on individual and family donors of all giving levels. Reporting to the President/CEO, this position is responsible for identifying, engaging, cultivating, soliciting, and stewarding a portfolio of donors and prospects to meet goals for the museum's annual operating budget and funding of special projects

and exhibitions.

Job functions: The duties and functions of this position include, but are not limited to:

- Collaborate with other members of the Development team to design and implement strategies for identifying, cultivating, soliciting, stewardship, donor retention, and recurring giving.
- Conduct research on individual and family donor prospects.
- Assist in maintaining the donor database to ensure that donation and tracking information is updated and accurate.
- Assist in managing correspondence, direct mail, marketing and other donor initiatives and communications.
- Work collaboratively with the museum's internal departments as it relates to individual and family donors (i.e. Education, Marketing, and Finance).
- Be familiar with the museum's programmatic needs for the purpose of effective donor cultivation and stewardship, using available resources and opportunities.
- Participate in community events and other activities to build external relationships.
- Prepare fundraising reports as needed for the museum's executive leadership.
- Maintain accurate donation tracking using Altru, the museum's CRM system
- Oversee and expand the I Love Science Society The Discovery's monthly giving program.
- Other duties as assigned by the President/CEO and the museum executive leadership

Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree required and a minimum of three years of related development or sales experience, or the equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Major gift fundraising experience, with a proven success record in major gifts cultivation and solicitation skills required.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office applications required. Prior experience with Monday.com OS, Altru, Give Lively donor management software preferred.

Necessary skills:

- Enthusiasm and passion for The Discovery's mission to inspire by being the place to experience science.
- Demonstrate ability to plan, budget and report on fundraising activities.
- Comfortable soliciting gifts from new and established donors.



- Ability to be committed self-starter.
- Collaborate with various departments to plan and launch fundraising campaigns.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Flexibility to work irregular hours during cultivation events and high volume fundraising times.
- Valid driver's license.

Characteristics:

- Outstanding relationship building skills.
- Ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines.
- Ability to work closely and cooperatively with internal and external associates.
- A strong work ethic and the ability to be a motivated, enthusiastic team player.

Environment:

General office environment. Work is sedentary in nature but may require standing or walking for up to 10% of the time. Work is generally performed within an office environment, with standard office equipment available. Occasional manual labor required for special events.

How to apply:

Please e-mail cover letter, resume, three references to jobs@nvdm.org. No phone calls please.

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