

Katelle Foundation Inc. dba The Kindness Campaign (TKC) Job Description: Chief Development Officer Status: Full time, Exempt, Austin, TX remote

Opportunity:

Established in 2015, The Kindness Campaign® (TKC) is a national nonprofit organization that provides accessible emotional health curriculum and programs to children and adults, at school and at home. Using the power of creative expression, TKC is on a mission to catalyze positive change in schools and communities, through art-infused workshops, lessons, and activations.

All offerings, including KindMusic®, KindArt, Enoughie's Magic Mirror®, Kind Leadership, and more flow from TKC's core pillars: self-image, emotional awareness, empathy, and community. To date, the organization has served 239,179+ children, with a special focus on central Texas youth. Participants consistently report increased emotional resilience, elevated campus cultures, and better student outcomes as a result of TKC's interventions and programming.

The Kindness Campaign® (TKC) seeks a dynamic and visionary Chief Development Officer (CDO) to join its Austin-based team. The CDO will work closely with leadership, Board members, and other key volunteers and stakeholders to grow a diversified charitable revenue portfolio at TKC. This role will act as a high-profile leader within the organization, ensuring fundraising and initiatives are aligned with TKC's mission of creating & delivering accessible emotional health curriculum & programs. The CDO will report directly to TKC's Founder & President.

To fulfill these responsibilities, the right candidate will have a proven track record of building successful fundraising campaigns and generating charitable revenue to support organizational sustainability. They will bring a well-rounded understanding of development and organizational best practices, donor management, and overseeing small- to large-scale fundraising events. The ideal candidate will have experience working self-sufficiently, with minimal oversight or administrative support. This is a planning and executing role at our small but expanding organization; it is not a delegating-to-others position at this time.

Key Responsibilities:

 Collaborate with leadership and Board of Directors to advise and execute comprehensive annual development strategy and fundraising plan, including corporate partners, major donors, foundations, and allied organizations

- Preserve and grow existing portfolio of corporate and foundation relationships while overseeing the cultivation of new partners, including identifying prospects, leading pitches, and building strategy
- Manage and expand TKC's Sapphire Circle, implementing best practices to increase members at each giving tier and increase levels of current members
- Guide and support the Board's development efforts by managing the Board pipeline, providing regular updates on TKC's fundraising, and fostering a culture of collaboration among Board leadership, volunteers, and staff
- Facilitate fundraising events, with primary focus on Art of Kindness Gala (annually in April)
- Advise brand positioning and messaging to ensure consistency across fundraising collateral
- Collaborate with Marketing to create donor-centric materials, including board reports, social media assets, and annual impact reports. Provide strategic and creative input for stakeholder-centric publications and other platforms to elevate TKC's position as a leader in the emotional health space
- Propose strategies for thought leadership initiatives, including identifying opportunities for speaking engagements, and preparing for those opportunities as the speaker or in support of leadership and/or other staff
- Leverage knowledge of corporate and family foundation philanthropy trends in the relevant regional and national fundraising landscapes to inform development and communications strategies
- Lead regular analysis of fundraising efforts to inform strategy, and coordinate data reporting on fundraising efforts

Qualifications:

- Minimum of 8-12 years of relevant professional experience in fundraising, corporate partnerships, and/or social impact, sales or marketing
- Strong leadership and interpersonal skills
- Proven ability to establish and nurture relationships with all stakeholders including donors, corporations, foundations, Board members, stakeholders, employees, and volunteers
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills, including the ability to present to large groups
- Superior organizational skills, including attention to detail
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Experience working with diverse communities and populations
- Bachelor's or Master's degree
- Passion for promoting kindness and social change

Preferred Qualifications:

- Knowledge of the Central Texas philanthropic community including local major donors, corporations, and family foundations
- Professional knowledge of social emotional health and wellness
- Bilingual a plus (Spanish)

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Work Environment:

- Full time remote work based in Austin, Texas
- Expectation to be on-site for meetings (internal and external), at times within a 2-hour window of notice
- Expectation to attend and lead in-person events and community-facing networking, fundraisers, and TKC friendraising events on behalf of the organization's Founder & President
- Some evening and weekend work is required and will occur regularly throughout the calendar year
- Use of personal technology required

Compensation / Benefits:

- \$100,000 annual salary with an increase to \$120,000 after the first six months of successful, goal achieving tenure
- Health, dental, vision, and life insurance
- Conditional, unlimited PTO. The Foundation conforms to the New York Stock Exchange's trading holidays, but also observes Juneteenth and the Day After Thanksgiving
- 401k plan (Company does not offer matching contributions at this time.)

To Apply:

The Kindness Campaign is an equal opportunity employer committed to creating an inclusive work environment. We encourage applications from individuals of all backgrounds who are dedicated to making a positive impact in our community. Email your resume and relevant cover letter with the subject line of CDO Search to stacy@seedsforchangeconsulting.com. Complete applications will be reviewed as they are received with a final application deadline of September 27. We are highly motivated to fill this position as soon as possible and will be reviewing applications as they are received. We strongly recommend applying early and not waiting until the deadline. Complete applications include a resume and relevant cover letters. Partial applications and/or generic cover letters will not be considered. As a reminder, if you have any of the preferred qualifications, please be sure to include specifics about those in your cover letter.