Coalition & Convening Manager

Organizational Overview:

Fairmount Park Conservancy brings parks to life. We work with the City of Philadelphia and its communities to steward our parks and nurture our shared environment, cultural resources, and public health. We lead capital projects and historic preservation efforts, foster neighborhood park stewardship, attract and leverage investments, and develop innovative programs throughout the 10,200 acres that include Fairmount Park, six other watershed parks and more than 130 neighborhood parks and gardens around the city.

Position Overview:

The Coalition and Convening Manager is a unique position recently created by Fairmount Park Conservancy. This position will primarily work on:

- Convening community members, citizen advocates, and public space partners around key geographies and common issues
- Drawing on these networks to advance FPC’s strategic plan, priorities, and initiatives
- Building and documenting FPC’s network of resources and trusted partners amongst Philadelphia’s diverse communities of park neighbors and partners
- Creating opportunities for constituents to learn from one another, inform, and support FPC’s project and program delivery

Responsibilities:

Park Stewardship

- Collaboratively oversee the Park Stewardship Team, a unique partnership with Philadelphia Parks & Recreation, and the Park Friends Network, a nationally recognized model for ‘friends of park’ groups
- Lead annual and quarterly learning opportunities to build the capacity of current Park Friend Groups and assist groups with conflict resolution and group facilitation
- Co-manage Park Friend Network meetings, monthly newsletter, regrant program and Love Your Park events

Civic Commons

- Collaborate with local Civic Commons partners on the creation of a citywide ‘Learning and Caring Network’ based on the following principles: Civic Engagement; Environmental Justice; Radical Inclusivity; Local, Equitable Economic Development; and Public Health Justice
- Develop an outreach plan and database of participatory stakeholders for the Learning Network; survey participants on a regular basis for suggestions and feedback
- Oversee all logistics of the Learning Network including but not limited to space rental, catering, recruitment, travel, and presentation with national speakers
- Participate in national Civic Commons Working Groups and develop systems for distributing learning and best practices to the local Learning Network
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East and West Fairmount Park Coalitions
- Organize institutional stakeholders focused in East and West Fairmount Park and in surrounding neighborhoods including Registered Community Organizations and Police District Community Offices
- Develop systems to solicit and implement project and program concepts from community members and coalitions in East and West Fairmount Park.
- Work across Conservancy divisions (Activation, Community, Natural Lands and Volunteer Programs) to ensure community and park stakeholders are engaged in all Fairmount Park Conservancy projects and programs
- Work with Philadelphia Parks & Recreation and Coalition partners on a quarterly newsletter including a calendar of events in East and West Parks

Public Space Summit
- Collaborate with partners on a bi-annual Public Space Summit, bringing together public space organizations and residents in a day of learning that builds local capacity and social capital, fosters connections across the city and generates inspiration in engaging communities in community-centered programs and projects

Qualifications & Competencies:
- Bachelor’s degree or equivalent combination of education and experience
- Demonstrated ability to communicate, motivate, lead, and relate effectively to a wide variety of individuals across all demographics and experience levels
- Experience and training with conflict resolution, mediation, group facilitation, and trauma-informed best practices
- 3 – 5 years experience program coordination
- Database experience preferred; GivePulse experience is a strong plus
- Valid Driver’s License
- Ability to lift 25 pounds
- Willingness and ability to work in all weather conditions
- Bilingual highly desirable
- First Aid training a plus
- Must have current and appropriate Criminal Background check, Child Abuse clearance, and FBI Clearance prior to and throughout the duration of employment

Evening and weekend availability is a key component of this position.

Reporting and Management Duties:
This position reports to the Senior Director of Community Programs and Partnerships but will work closely with all departments at Fairmount Park Conservancy. The Stewardship and Engagement Coordinator reports to this position and we anticipate hiring a Convening Coordinator under this position later in 2022.

Compensation:
The salary range for this position is $53,000 - $60,000. Additionally, Fairmount Park Conservancy offers a generous benefits package including health, dental, and vision, as well as life, disability, and retirement.

**Anti-Discrimination Policy:**

The Fairmount Park Conservancy does not discriminate based on ethnicity, race, gender, or sexual orientation and encourages all qualified individuals to apply.

**COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement:**

All employees at the Fairmount Park Conservancy must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Successful applicants will be required to show proof of vaccination. Reasonable accommodations will be considered for those with qualifying medical or religious exemptions.

**To Apply:**

Thank you for your interest in the Fairmount Park Conservancy. Please prepare a formal letter of interest, resume, and three work related references as either PDF or Word documents and submit at [https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/d250369117dd488baa22a899d5c26268](https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/d250369117dd488baa22a899d5c26268).

Please, no phone calls or mailed applications. Submissions will be reviewed on a rolling basis, application deadline is Friday, 3/25/2022.