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### **JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**

## **DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER**

South Asian Americans Leading Together (SAALT), a national non-partisan non-profit organization, whose mission is to elevate the voices and perspectives of South Asian individuals and organizations to build a more just and inclusive society in the United States, is pleased to announce an opening for a full-time **Development and Communications Manager** position that will be based in SAALT's office in Takoma Park, MD.

**Position Title:** Development and Communications Manager

<u>Job Status:</u> Full-time position with benefits, including health, dental, vision, and transportation

stipend

**Date of Posting:** January 27, 2015

<u>Location:</u> Takoma Park, MD or New York City, NY

**Reports To:** Executive Director

Last Date to Apply: March 1, 2016

### **Summary**

Working closely with the Executive Director, the Development and Communications Manager will have two distinct functions. The first is focused on expanding and strengthening the organization's resources; the second is focused on developing and stewarding the organization's communications plan.

Resource development responsibilities include:

- Strengthening SAALT's fundraising capacity, with an emphasis on individual donor cultivation;
- Developing and implementing an individual donor fundraising plan, including donor research and crafting messages for individual donors; managing solicitation campaigns and events aimed at individuals, and coordinating SAALT's donor cultivation efforts in close partnership with the Executive Director;
- Supervising individual donor development consultants around the country;
- Manage ongoing relationships and ongoing communication with existing donors and supporters;
- Assist Executive Director with other special projects, as necessary.

### Communications-related responsibilities include:

- Identifying opportunities to expand SAALT's communications presence and efforts across core issue
  areas, South Asian American communities, and regions, including drafting press releases and media
  advisories; monitoring and expanding its social media presence and strategy;
- Developing proactive relationships with mainstream and ethnic media journalists to amplify SAALT's work and the priorities of South Asian immigrant communities;
- Working closely with the Executive Director to write and place op-eds that examine pressing issues for South Asian communities;
- Drafting language for emails, newsletters, and other forms of communications to reach SAALT's diverse audiences;

#### **Qualifications and Experience**

- Minimum of three to five years of experience in resource development, philanthropy, or communications
- Excellent writing, analytic, and verbal/presentation skills with the ability to summarize information and connect with a variety of audiences.
- Demonstrated self-starter with ability to identify and pursue strategic opportunities
- Successful track record of articulating, evaluating, measuring, and reporting goals and successes/areas of improvement.
- Demonstrated ability to be creative, self-directed and manage and prioritize multiple tasks and roles.
- Demonstrated ability to work both independently and in a fast-paced and collaborative team-based environment.
- Demonstrated ability to think strategically, have a flexible approach to work, and quickly adapt and pivot to changing needs in a dynamic non-profit environment.
- Exceptional email management skills and ability to thrive in a high-volume email office.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office suite and ability to quickly learn other basic programs.
- Commitment to and passion for social justice issues and to a career in the non-profit sector.
- Understanding of and commitment to advancing and enhancing SAALT's mission.
- Commitment to an office culture where creativity and diversity are celebrated.
- Sense of humor and familiarity with databases such as Salesforce are a plus.
- Travel within the United States may be required.

# Compensation

SAALT will provide compensation for this position commensurate with experience. A generous vacation policy and health, dental, vision, and transportation stipend benefits will also be provided.

# **How to Apply**

Please e-mail your cover letter detailing your relevant experience, resume, and an unedited development, communications, or policy-related writing sample (maximum 5 pages) as a single PDF document to <a href="mailto:info@saalt.org">info@saalt.org</a> and indicate "Development and Communications Manager" in the subject line. We are accepting applications and interviewing candidates on a rolling basis, and will give priority consideration to applications received by <a href="March 1, 2016">March 1, 2016</a>. Only qualified candidates will be contacted. No calls, please.

SAALT is an equal opportunity employer.