Friends of UNFPA: Director of Individual Giving

Friends of UNFPA (FOU), established in 1998 and headquartered in New York City, is the US non-profit working with UNFPA, the lead United Nations agency for reproductive health and rights for all.

Our vision is a world where women become pregnant only when they want to. A world where giving birth is safe for every mother and child. And a world where women and girls live free from harmful practices and violence. By supporting and empowering women and girls, we will be creating a world that is better for everyone. We won’t stop until this becomes reality, no matter what.

We use our voice passionately to bring women and girls across the world access to family planning and reproductive health care, and to keep them safe from violence and harmful practices. We champion the rights of women and girls to make their own decisions about what is best for their lives and futures. And we help ensure their real-life experiences and views are heard and respected. We are a catalyst for profound positive change among women, their families, and their communities. To achieve this, we focus relentlessly on inspiring people to support UNFPA’s vital and impactful work.

Under new leadership, FOU has developed an ambitious new strategy, aimed at raising $100 million for UNFPA’s vital work by 2030. Working in close partnership with UNFPA we have exciting plans to grow and build a sustainable fundraising program. As part of that effort, we are seeking to grow our team.

POSITION SUMMARY

The Director of Individual Giving will be responsible for developing and executing the strategy to raise revenue from individuals giving below $2,000 per annum through direct marketing, including direct mail, digital, telemarketing and emergency fundraising. S/He will be responsible for all donor recruitment and retention activities to generate both monthly and one-time donors with a focus on strong donor loyalty and lifetime value.

Reporting to the CEO and as part of the Senior Management Team at Friends of UNFPA, the Director of Individual Giving will work in close coordination with the Development, Communications and Operations teams to develop and achieve overall organizational objectives.
KEY AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Develop overall strategic direction, objectives and budget for the Individual Giving (IG) fundraising program.
- Develop long-term strategic plan and vision for the IG program.
- Manage the IG Annual Planning and Budget process and achieve strategic objective and revenue targets.
- Develop and implement an IG program that delivers strong donor loyalty and builds donor lifetime value.
- Increase both monthly and one-time donations from individuals using various online and offline channels including direct mail, telemarketing, digital fundraising, lead generation and emergency fundraising.
- Identify and develop new opportunities for IG, in both donor acquisition and donor development. Recommend new channels and tactics to test.
- Develop a strong monthly giving program and significantly grow the numbers of monthly donors.
- Manage Donor Development and Retention Officer to develop and implement strong donor journeys for each donor segment, using a multi-channel approach (mail, email, and telemarketing) to improve retention and increase donation value.
- Work with CEO and Director of Development to submit investment work plans to UNPFA to fund donor acquisition activities and ensure benchmarks are met.
- Work closely with the Development team to ensure an overall strategically coordinated approach to fundraising and develop tactics to move donors to the middle level donor and major donor programs.
- Work closely with Communications team to create fundraising materials and ensure brand consistency.
- Complete quarterly reports including reforecasts and progress reports as required.
- Develop and monitor all key performance indicators and analysis to support and inform the IG strategy and its implementation.
- Oversee the donor database. Manager Database Manager to produce ongoing analysis and monitor campaign results to inform future direct marketing activity. Provide overall reporting on FOU metrics.
- Manage and lead the IG fundraising team, providing vision and strategic direction.
- Set goals for individual team members and support and monitor their progress against set goals. Provide training and development for IG team members.
- Manage all RFP processes and oversee the appointment of suppliers to support fundraising.
- Manage and oversee all contracts with suppliers for the IG program.
- Oversee donor care and ensure that all donor enquires are addressed in a timely manner.
- Liaise with Operations unit to ensure administrative procedures are followed.
- Participate in FOU Board meetings and key meetings with UNFPA.
- Complete other projects as required.
EXPERIENCE & QUALIFICATIONS:

- Minimum of 5 years direct marketing leadership experience preferably in non-profit organization
- Knowledge and experience of donor acquisition channels (digital, mail and telemarketing), donor retention and donor development methods
- Strong experience with digital fundraising (overseeing paid media and email program) is essential as this is our largest channel of investment
- Experience with mid-level and monthly giving is essential. Experience with emergency fundraising is an advantage
- Experience implementing cohesive, innovative, aggressive and integrated direct response strategies that have resulted in measurable and significant growth in net revenue and donor base
- Experience with developing Annual Plans/Budget and with fundraising reports, analysis and KPIs
- Experience with fundraising-related databases and software
- Excellent donor and vendor communications and relationship management skills
- University degree in Marketing, International Relations, Political/Social Sciences or related field
- Excellent leadership skills
- Excellent English language (written, oral, and comprehension)

LOCATION & SALARY:

Location: Hybrid (Remote but within the U.S.; travel to NYC as needed)

Salary: Commensurate with candidate’s level of experience, skills, education, and training; adjustment subject to geographic region. Friends of UNFPA offers health, dental, and vision insurance, paid vacation and sick leave, and a retirement plan.

HOW TO APPLY:

 Eligible candidates should submit a cover letter and resume by March 31st 2022, to Friends of UNFPA at jobs@friendsofunfpa.org. Please reference “Director of Individual Giving” in the subject header.