Job Description for the Central Area Consortium Director

Full time equivalent -1.0 (Remote with travel primarily in the U.S.)

The Central Area Consortium (the Consortium) is part of the larger community known as the Western Galilee Central Area Consortium Partnership (the Partnership), part of the Partnership2Gether platform of the Jewish Agency for Israel, connecting the Akko and Matte Asher municipalities with 17 Jewish communities (Canton, Dayton, Toledo and Youngstown; OH; Buffalo, NY; Ft Wayne, Indianapolis, Northwest IN and South Bend, IN; Peoria and Springfield, IL; Des Moines, IA, Omaha, NE; Louisville, KY; Austin, Ft Worth and San Antonio, TX) in the US and in Budapest, Hungary.

The Consortium is looking for a dynamic partner, who is talented and passionate, to support and engage with the 17 U.S. communities and with their Israeli and Hungarian counterparts. The Consortium Director will be collegial, collaborative, and willing to work with all consortium CEOs along with all Israel staff.

As the Consortium Director, you will work with these communities to help build bridges, and foster relationships among communities in the Consortium, Israel, and Budapest. You will have many exciting opportunities for programs that meet these goals including visits and meetings in other Jewish communities, Israel, and Budapest.

Overall duties & responsibilities:
The Consortium Director serves as the central point of contact for participating USA communities. The purpose is to ensure the engagement and connection of all participating federations in the consortium.

The Role of the Consortium Director:

1. Engagement:
   1. Continuum of contact on the phone/Zoom and in person to engage and develop lay and staff leadership and actively involve Federation participation. This will be proactive and include periodic visits to communities.
   2. Together with the US Chair, provide guidance and assist in staffing of USA Committee Chairs and connect them with Partnership staff in Israel.
   3. Upon consultation with the US Chair and Partnership Director (PD) accompany VIP delegations in the US, Budapest, and Israel when determined a need exists.
4. Prepare and implement a yearly engagement plan aligned with the Partnership yearly work plan and in cooperation with Partnership staff.
5. Identify and develop volunteers as workers and potential leaders for the Partnership assisting in leadership succession planning.

2. **Communications:**
   1. Regular contact with Federation CEO’s and professionals and partnership staff together with the PD.
   2. Acts as a liaison between Federations and Management and Federations and Partnership staff to represent communities' interests, concerns, and issues.
   3. At least weekly phone/zoom communication with PD.
   4. At least bi-weekly phone/zoom communication with US Chair.
   5. At least monthly phone/zoom communication with Consultant hired by Consortium.

3. **Facilitation:**
   1. Staff support for US Partnership Chair
   2. Work closely with the PD and team to ensure information is communicated to the Consortium, shared programs are effectively implemented, and that tasks of the Partnership are completed timely.
   3. Facilitate together with the director of the Partnership the leadership, management, Kramer Council, council of communities, Finance Resource Committee, and summit meetings.

4. **Tikkun Olam:**
   Working with Federations and foundations in the US on fundraising opportunities in the Region, in cooperation with the Partnership Director and Assistant Director:
   1. Follow-up on pledges
   2. Finding more fundraising opportunities for the region in the federation
   3. Connecting between Partnership relevant staff and relevant donors.

5. **Member of Partnership management:**
   1. Leadership
   2. Management
   3. US Chairs Forums
   4. Kramer Council
   5. Communities Council
   6. Summit
   7. Finance Resource Committee

6. **Supervision:**
   While this position will be supervised by an outside consultant paid for by the Consortium, communication with the Consortium Chair and Partnership Director will be regular as defined above. An annual evaluation will be conducted by the consultant in coordination with Partnership Chairs and the Partnership Director.

7. **Budget:**
   Facilitate collection of consortium dues and commitments to both the Consortium and Partnership budgets. Work with Finance Resource Committee Chair, US Chair and Partnership Director to develop Consortium budget annually.
8. **What you will bring to the position:**
   - Bachelor’s degree in business, non-profit management, Jewish communal work or other related fields; a graduate degree in a related field preferred
   - Minimum three to four years’ experience working in non-profit organizations; experience in Jewish communal work or work specifically within the Federation system preferred
   - Demonstrable experience in communications technology including social media platforms
   - Proficiency in English and Hebrew preferred
   - Positive attitude and self-motivated
   - Works well collaboratively with individuals from numerous different cultures
   - Passionate about engaging American Jewish community with Israel and Israelis
   - A familiarity with the American Jewish community, a strong knowledge of Israel and the Jewish world, the Jewish Federation structure, the Jewish Agency for Israel and preferably the Partnership2Gether concept.

**Due to the nature of the Partnership, the position requires flexible hours and the ability to travel domestically and overseas. The position will be located within the United States. *Residence in one of the 17 communities is an advantage.***

**What we will provide:**
   - The opportunity to make a difference in the Jewish world and the Israel-Diaspora relationship
   - The opportunity to work with a dedicated team of community volunteers and professionals

**Compensation:**
   - Pay to be determined based on prior experience
   - Range: $75,000-$90,000 plus benefits

**If you would like to join our dynamic Consortium please submit your resume to:** Mark Freedman: markfreedman51@gmail.com

**Last day for submission:** May 20, 2024.