

THE TRUST FOR GOVERNORS ISLAND

THE OPPORTUNITY

The Trust for Governors Island is seeking an experienced engineer, architect or construction management professional with strong problem-solving, strategic planning and communication skills as Vice President of Design and Construction. The Vice President will have primary oversight of the planning, design, permitting, and construction of the Island's major capital projects and assets. These projects will focus on the Island's historic buildings, facilities, utilities, landscape and maritime infrastructure. In this role, the Vice President will also continue to be involved even after a project is completed; he/she will be responsible for assets once they are put into service to protect the capital investments. The Trust is undertaking an ambitious program to activate the Island as a year-round place for all New Yorkers. Our capital work, in coordination with our asset management program, are key to the Island's long-term growth and sustainability.

The Vice President will oversee a current, four-year capital budget of more than \$100 million, a team of capital project managers and a contracted third-party construction management team. The Vice President will report directly to the Chief Operating Officer and work closely with the Chief Financial Officer and Vice President of Operations.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Lead the strategic planning and implementation of an expanding capital program from conception to completion. Collaborate with the Operations and Real Estate teams to identify future capital needs that will address the Island's ambitious development goals.
- Oversee the Trust's capital project staff, as well as contractors, architects, engineers and construction managers. Provide technical expertise and leadership to anticipate and solve complex critical path issues, implement best practices, and ensure projects' expeditious, efficient and cost-effective completion.
- Review construction activities being undertaken by the Trust and its tenants across the Island to address logistical and safety concerns and ensure that each project moves forward successfully.
- Work with the Vice President of Operations to ensure the proper care and stewardship of new and existing infrastructure, systems and buildings throughout the Island for current and future tenants. This work will also include coordinating the implementation of maintenance management systems and other property management tools to support the Trust's assets.
- Represent the Trust in communications with external project stakeholders, including the NYC Office of Management and Budget, the Mayor's Office, and other City, State and federal agencies.

REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree and at least 10 years of experience in the fields of architecture, engineering or construction management; minimum of five years of experience as a manager with large-scale planning and/or capital projects, preferably with a focus on implementation.
- Excellent project management, leadership, interpersonal, and negotiation skills, including the ability to lead a broad range of individuals with different skills and perspectives.
- Outstanding written and oral communication skills, including the ability to produce clear and concise updates, briefings, and presentations for a variety of stakeholders.
- Ability to apply strategic and critical thinking and problem-solving skills to complex and dynamic situations.
- Technical expertise in reviewing infrastructure design drawings and architectural plans.
- Strong experience in the creation and evaluation of project and maintenance scopes, schedules and budgets.
- An understanding of asset management issues and best practices.

- Expertise in Excel, PowerPoint, and Word. Ability to work in GIS, CAD, MS Project and/or Primavera is preferred.

TO APPLY

Please send a cover letter and resume as a single PDF document to jobs@govisland.org with “VP of Design and Construction” in the subject line. No phone calls please.

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BACKGROUND

Governors Island is a 172-acre island in the heart of New York Harbor located between Lower Manhattan and the Brooklyn waterfront. Eight minutes from the energy and excitement of the City, the Island is a popular seasonal destination. A resilient new park is complemented by dozens of unique historic buildings, environmental educational facilities, a rich arts and culture program and a 22-acre National Monument managed by the National Park Service. Unlike anywhere else in New York, Governors Island offers peaceful settings with sweeping views of the Harbor, Lower Manhattan skyline and Statue of Liberty. Looking ahead, the Island will be activated year-round as a sustainable campus for learning and innovation, with plans for expanded commercial and non-profit uses in its future.

ABOUT THE TRUST FOR GOVERNORS ISLAND

The Trust for Governors Island (“The Trust”) is a nonprofit corporation created by the City of New York. It is responsible for the redevelopment and operation of 150 acres of Governors Island. The Trust's mission is to transform Governors Island into a vibrant resource for New York City, making this island at the center of New York Harbor a destination with extraordinary public open space, as well as educational, not-for-profit and commercial facilities.

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