

Position Description

President and CEO



Submission Deadline: March 1, 2021.

Hudson River Park Trust (Trust) seeks an inspiring and highly qualified leader to advance the mission of the organization and direct its work. The mission of the Trust is to design, construct and operate a prominent and very heavily used 4 mile long waterfront park on the west side of Manhattan, and thereby encourage, promote, and expand public access to the Hudson River. The park includes landscaped public piers, lawns and garden areas, ecological zones and educational facilities, athletic fields and playgrounds, public esplanades, docks and other special features.

The Trust is a public benefit corporation created in 1998 by act of the New York State Legislature and 501(c)(3) charitable organization. The President and CEO will report to a Board of Directors appointed by the Governor, Mayor and Manhattan Borough President. The \$1 billion park project is approximately 80% complete with remaining portions in either construction or design. Funding for new park construction is provided by the State, City and private sources. The Trust supports its annual \$30 million operating budget primarily with revenue generated from within the park and donations from a “Friends” organization. The President and CEO provides overall direction to a full-time staff of 80, approximately 40 part-time and seasonal employees, and a variety of contract service providers. For more information about the Trust and Hudson River Park please see www.hudsonriverpark.org.

Candidates should possess at least 12 years of progressively responsible management experience with organizations similar to the Trust. Knowledge of the public sector and demonstrated ability to work successfully with State and City government is essential. Excellent leadership, analytic, financial, budgeting, negotiating, communications and interpersonal skills are necessary, as is proficiency in public speaking and community relations. Fundraising experience and familiarity with the design, construction and operation of public space is desired. A graduate degree in a relevant field preferable; bachelor’s degree is required. Experience managing large construction projects and in managing projects funded with government capital is preferred.

The position offers a competitive salary based on qualifications and an excellent benefits package. Hiring for this position is being managed by the Trust’s Board of Directors.

Hudson River Park Trust is an Equal Opportunity Employer and seeks to achieve diversity in the workplace. Interested candidates should submit a resume and cover letter to: Claudia McDade, Director of Human Resources, at HRPTCEOposition@hrpt.ny.gov

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