JOB DESCRIPTION
Project Coordinator - Brooklyn
February, 2017

ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW

Established in 2001, PeacePlayers International (PPI) is a peacebuilding nonprofit organization that uses sport as a vehicle to unite, educate and inspire young people living in divided communities. Based on the premise that “children who play together can learn to live together,” PPI has become a worldwide leader in the use of sport to build a more peaceful world, reaching more than 75,000 youth in 15 countries.

By offering equitable basketball programming, peace education, leadership development and professional training, PPI challenges the status quo of hatred and fear that grips societies in conflict – making cross-community cooperation desirable and giving young people practical skills to deal with conflict and grow into ambassadors for peace in their communities. The organization operates year-round programs in the Middle East, South Africa, Northern Ireland and Cyprus, with the Sports and Peace Innovation Network (SPIN) technical assistance program coordinated from PPI’s office in Washington, DC.

SUMMARY OF THE POSITION

PPI has recently launched a new partnership with Nike to bring PPI’s proven model of uniting communities through sport to the U.S. This partnership will help mobilize young people across the United States who will show that if you can play together, you can live together.

The Project Coordinator (PC) will support PPI’s efforts to launch sport based community programming in Brooklyn, New York. The PC will be the eyes and ears on the ground, working closely with local community partners and stakeholders to ensure high-quality programmatic execution. The PC position will be for approximately 12 months (renewable contract) and will report directly to the PPI Program Manager.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Key responsibilities and specific duties include, but are not limited to:

- Support in the design of Brooklyn specific programing
- Manage and coordinate a network of diverse local stakeholders
- Collaborate with Program Manager and local network to implement youth basketball programming
- Lead the implementation of all Brooklyn based Leadership Development Program
activities; including weekly leadership and basketball sessions, retreats, community service projects and exchanges.

- Lead and assist in recruitment of Leadership Development participants
- Support implementation of neighborhood and city based events
- Support and supervise part time staff/coaches as needed
- Coordinate trainings and workshops for local network
- Oversee the collection of necessary data, testimonials and other information to assess project success

QUALIFICATIONS

- Intimate knowledge of the local environment
- 2-4 years experience in community development or youth development (sport preferred)
- Builds relationships across a variety of sectors
- Demonstrated passion for using sport as a tool for social change
- A proven ability to multi-task and meet deadlines
- Knowledge of and/or experience in sport based youth development philosophy
- Personal sporting experience at the high school or collegiate level preferred
- Experience in group facilitation and/or training preferred
- Ability to work independently
- Bachelor’s Degree preferred

The Project Coordinator position is a full-time salaried position with benefits, including health insurance and an employer retirement plan matching program. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

The Project Coordinator position will be based in Brooklyn, NY.

To apply for this position, please email a resume and cover letter to Bryan Franklin at bfranklin@peaceplayersintl.org with the subject header “Project Coordinator - Brooklyn.” All applications for the position should be submitted by February 28th, 2017.