

Now Hiring: Director of Advancement



Whose Life Will You Change Today?

Is fundraising a job, or is it a mission? Cunningham Children's Home seeks an experienced development professional whose expertise and enthusiasm will help people connect with opportunities to make a difference in kids' lives.

About Cunningham

Cunningham Children's Home provides young people with serious emotional and behavioral disabilities with the chance to heal, learn and grow.

Our philosophy, *Kids' Needs First*, guides our Residential Treatment, Winfred Gerber Residential School, CIRCLE Academy Therapeutic Special Education Day School, Independent and Transitional Living, and Specialized Foster Care programs.

Located on a beautiful green campus in Urbana, Illinois, Cunningham is highly respected for providing effective services to young people ages 6-18 whose severe behaviors require intensive therapeutic intervention and support.

Our services for foster families and older adolescents are also highly acclaimed, helping older teens and youth as old as 21 build the skills they need to become successful, contributing adults.

Founded in 1895, Cunningham is a mission and ministry of the United Methodist Women

of the Illinois Great Rivers Conference in partnership with the General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church. The United Methodist Women (UMW) are dedicated stewards of the home, providing leadership on our Board of Directors and participating in a variety of fundraising and public relations activities.

In addition, Cunningham has a strong reputation in our local community of Champaign-Urbana, and benefits from the support and involvement of many local civic groups, churches, and individuals.

Advance the Mission of Cunningham Children's Home

The Director of Advancement will direct a successful marketing and fundraising team while benefiting from mentoring and supervision from an experienced CFRE, the Vice President for Advancement.

This new position will supervise a newly-restructured Office of Advancement, bringing leadership, strategic thinking, knowledge and organization to the work of raising funds, friends and awareness for young people with serious emotional and behavioral disabilities.

We're looking for a leader who will direct the development and implementation of realistic, successful annual fundraising plans while cultivating a collaborative work environment within the department and across the agency.

Responsible for supervising the Advancement Department team, the Director will also work closely with agency Vice Presidents, the CEO,

Board of Directors, and agency department heads. The Director of Advancement will communicate with multiple constituencies, including faith-based and general audiences.

Commitment to children and adolescents, awareness of mental health issues, and appreciation for Cunningham's history and connection to United Methodist Women and The United Methodist Church are critical for this position's success.

Requirements:

Requirements include Bachelor's degree and a minimum of 5 years experience in managing marketing, public relations, development, advertising and communications.

Excellent writing, editing and computer skills; demonstrated creativity, analytic ability and awareness of trends; strong organizational skills; ability to handle multiple, on-going projects; and engaging interpersonal and presentation skills are required. Ability to manage costs, budgets and deadlines is a must. Masters and CFRE certification preferred.

All prospective Cunningham employees must possess a Valid Illinois driver's license and proof of auto insurance, and are required to submit to a pre-employment drug screen and background check.

Salary & Benefits

The salary for this position is commensurate with experience.

Cunningham is committed to a compensation structure that rewards experience, encourages

longevity, and is responsive to and competitive within the local workforce.

Every eligible employee receives a generous benefit credit that they can use for a variety of benefits, depending on their specific needs.

Options include but are not limited to:

- Health Insurance
- Dental Insurance
- Vision Insurance

Cunningham benefits go beyond the basics, including:

- 401(k) including employer contributions of 3% and up to 4% matching contribution
- Medical and Dependent Care Reimbursement Accounts
- Employee Assistance Program
- Option to purchase supplemental life insurance, disability insurance and Pre-Paid Legal Insurance
- Health Club Discounts
- Option to apply unused benefit credit toward House Cleaning Services

To Apply:

For full consideration, please send resume and cover letter by June 5 to:

Cunningham Children's Home
1301 North Cunningham Avenue
Urbana, IL 61802
Att: HRD/DA

Or apply online at www.cunninghamhome.org

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