



Position Title: Director of Church Engagement

Job Purpose

The Director of Church Engagement strengthens existing church partnerships, and cultivates new partnerships, that lead to greater involvement in serving refugees. The Director implements initiatives that mobilize churches to participate in refugee ministry. The Director also serves as a key point of contact with staff and/or lay leaders within each church.

If you are energized by empowering individuals, groups and entire congregations to put faith in action by serving refugees, this position may be for you.

Duties and Responsibilities

1. Proactively engage Christian churches from across all denominations in refugee ministry. Educate churches from across the Chicago area and beyond on the plight of refugees, providing opportunities for volunteer involvement and financial partnership with Exodus.
2. Maintain and grow active portfolio of partner churches. Develop and implement annual plans with church staff and lay leaders. Develop new partnerships by cultivating new outreach strategies and relationships.
3. Work collaboratively with Exodus' education, communications and program teams to design and implement strategic initiatives that further church engagement.
4. Represent Exodus at speaking engagements, mission fairs, church events and other gatherings.
5. Track and maintain accurate records of all communication and activity with partners.
6. Constantly seek to improve Exodus' ability to build relationships with churches. Create new and innovative opportunities for church partners.
7. Assist with other organization-wide events and priorities, such as Exodus' annual gala.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

1. Mature and personal Christian faith.
2. Commitment to Exodus World Service mission and values.
3. Understanding of church contexts across denominations and the needs of local churches related to engagement in missions.
4. People-oriented with strong interpersonal skills and service approach toward engaging with partners.
5. Excellent verbal and written communication skills, including experience in public speaking.
6. Ability to work well independently and as part of a collaborative team. Self-motivated with a high level of organization, detail, and time management skills.
7. Experience relating to diverse groups of people. Knowledge of refugee and cross-cultural concerns preferred.
8. Experience using Microsoft Office. Familiarity with CRM database a plus.

**Education and Experience**

Minimum of bachelor's degree or equivalent experience required, with a minimum of five years' experience working in a church, denominational, or nonprofit setting.

Location

Exodus World Service office in Park Ridge, IL, with flexibility to work remote work as appropriate.

Travel Requirements

Valid driver's license with ability to drive to area appointments as needed. Occasional international travel may be required.

Job Classification

Full-time exempt. Work generally conducted Monday – Friday, 9am – 5pm, with some weekend and evening availability required.

Benefits

Eligible for paid time off, health insurance and retirement benefits.

Position Reports to: Senior Director of Program Operations

About Exodus World Service

Founded in 1988, Exodus World Service's mission is to mobilize the Christian community to welcome and befriend refugees. We do this by educating churches about the plight of refugees, connecting volunteers with refugees through practical service projects and empowering others to champion refugee ministry.

How to Apply

Please submit cover letter and resume to hr@exodusworldservice.org.