

JOB DESCRIPTION

Department:	Fundraising	
Job Title:	Trusts and Foundations Manager	Grade: F
Responsible to:	Head of Fundraising	Date: August 2024

Purpose of Job:

Lead on the development and delivery of the Trust fundraising strategy, identifying, researching, and writing compelling applications to meet and /or exceed income targets. Oversight and management of relationships with existing and new trusts and foundations and delivering funding reports to a high and consistent standard.

Duties and responsibilities:

Income Generation and Opportunity Pipeline Development:

- Develop and implement a strategy and plan to grow Trusts and foundation income to meet the organisation's growth targets in the short and long term. Contribute to the overall fundraising strategy.
- Identify and research a diverse range of high value prospects to build a robust pipeline of sustainable trust and foundations with an emphasis on five/six figure grants and multi-year funding with a national scope.
- Craft high-quality, targeted, and compelling proposals tailored to specific trusts, foundations and other grant-making bodies.
- Cultivate and manage relationships with key decision-makers within identified trusts, including the day-to-day management of both new and existing funders, ensuring accurate records of restricted grants and application of funds.
- Develop and execute a detailed trust fundraising plan and pipeline, evaluating the likelihood of success for each prospect and implementing engagement strategies at each stage to optimise outcomes.
- Lead the development of new trust and foundation proposals for grants and services, including potential research partnership opportunities or where Family Fund collaborates on a joint bid with another organisation
- Achieve and/or exceed the annual target for trusts and foundations.

Operational Planning and reporting:

- Develop and implement comprehensive annual operational plans for trusts and foundations fundraising, including monitoring and adjusting strategies as needed to achieve financial targets.
- Ensure all grant expenditures and reporting adhere to the requirements of each trust or foundation, working closely with the finance team to maintain accuracy.
- Provide regular management reports on financial progress, including updates on the pipeline, prospecting, activation, and grants received. Suggest contingency actions to address potential income shortfalls.

Process Management and Compliance:

- Establish streamlined, effective systems and processes that support the overall trust and foundations activity.
- Monitor and document funding opportunities in the fundraising database, ensuring a sufficient pipeline to meet income targets. Prepare necessary documentation for senior operations meetings to support decision-making on funding new projects.
- Ensure appropriate cross-organisational input to proposals, including working with Grants Services for project/service design.
- Oversee the completion and submission of high-quality, compliant proposals and funding applications within required timelines, while maintaining a thorough understanding of trust application spending and coordinating with Finance and Grant Services to ensure funds are utilised appropriately.

Best Practices and Regulatory Compliance:

- Stay informed of best practices from the Chartered Institute of Fundraising and the Fundraising Regulator, ensuring all activities are conducted within legal and regulatory requirements.
- Provide regular updates, forecasts, and reforecasting inputs as requested by the Head of Fundraising.

One Team

- Work with all relevant staff to ensure that all activities are joined up and complementary.
- Attend networking events to support fundraising activity.
- Carry out other appropriate duties as required by senior management.
- Represent the Family Fund values

PERSON SPECIFICATION

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	Essential	Desirable



Experience	 Proven track record of meeting or exceeding income targets from trust fundraising. Securing one-off or multi-year grants of five-figure sums or above. Significant experience of researching and writing detailed and compelling proposals for trusts. Broad experience building and managing multiple trust and foundation relationships. Setting, phasing and monitoring income targets. 	•	Compiling public sector tenders. Line management responsibilities.
Skills, knowledge and abilities	 Excellent level of computer literacy with a working knowledge of Microsoft Office products. Excellent oral communications skills and the ability to engage and build relationships with a wide range of stakeholders. Excellent research and writing skills, with close attention to detail, high level of accuracy and ability to adapt to a variety of audiences. Good numeracy skills with ability to build project budgets. Ability to manage multiple applications/projects and prioritise accordingly. Ability to lead meetings and brief senior staff. Ability to work at the same time independently and collegially. Excellent organisational and time management skills – planning, prioritising and managing workload with the ability to meet deadlines. Ability to hit the ground running and absorb complex information quickly. 	•	Excellent record keeping and knowledge of CRMs (Salesforce).
Professional Membership		•	Institute of Fundraising
Personal attributes	 Results driven. Creative and innovative. Open and participative working style. Flexible, adaptable, and resilient to work demands and change. Willingness to travel when required. Commitment to Family Fund's values Commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion, and fairness for all Commitment to safeguarding 	•	Understands the impact of disability and poverty on family life.