POSITION DESCRIPTION

September 2017

President & Chief Executive Officer
GeoHazards International

GeoHazards International (GHI) is a Menlo Park, CA based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. For more than 25 years, GHI has been helping the world’s most vulnerable communities prepare before natural disasters strike. Earthquakes, tsunamis, and landslides are thousands of times more lethal in developing countries. GHI works with local engineers, scientists, government officials, builders, and other community groups to build disaster resilience. Projects have prepared hospitals to function in crises; enhanced schoolchildren’s safety; trained professionals in technical solutions; reduced people’s exposure and vulnerability to hazards; and enabled communities to respond to disasters.

Dr. Brian E. Tucker, the President and Founder, is retiring. GHI’s Board of Trustees seeks a visionary and practical leader to develop a strategy to increase GHI’s impact, pursue a sustainable funding model focused on grants and donations, and increase awareness of the organization’s work.

Based in Menlo Park, CA, GHI employs a staff of 16 in the U.S., India, Bhutan, Nepal and Haiti. It is governed by a 15-member Board of Trustees, and has a current annual operating budget of $1.4M.

EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Committed to ending preventable death and suffering from natural disasters.
- Proven senior-level managerial, operational and financial acumen from the non-profit, education, public or private sectors, preferably from a field related to natural hazards.
- Ability to work with people of diverse backgrounds and in international communities; experience with international funding and government networks is desirable.
- A track record in attracting financial support from individuals, foundations, businesses, and government sources; success in personally interacting with and cultivating donors.
- Proven ability to prioritize, meet deadlines and oversee multiple programs.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills; a history of public advocacy including excellent public speaking skills for formal and extemporaneous presentations.
- Adept at recruiting, directing, and retaining a global workforce.
- A team builder, a good listener, a skilled communicator.
- Work hands-on, both in daily operations and in highly creative and visible activities.

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