

Saint Luke's Foundation
Senior Director of Community Engagement job announcement

The Saint Luke's Foundation was born when the Saint Luke's Hospital on Shaker Boulevard closed down in 1997. Since that time, we have maintained a strong commitment to the Buckeye, Shaker Square, Woodland Hills and Mt. Pleasant Communities. In 2014 we moved back to the hospital and the campus it had become, along with Cleveland Neighborhood Progress, the Boys and Girls Club and the Intergenerational School (flanked by The Harvey Rice School and The Cleveland Public Library).

In 2018 we will complete a strategic plan that has led to the development of a new mission to: ***Achieve health equity by addressing social determinants of health for people in neighborhoods surrounding Saint Luke's and throughout Cuyahoga County.*** This mission is derived from the vision that: ***People thrive as a result of living free of racism and poverty and experiencing equitable economic opportunities and conditions that enable them to lead healthier lives.***

The Saint Luke's Foundation is committed to involvement in the community in a host of ways beyond funding. To ensure that we are able to grow our active participation in a broad array of efforts to enhance the community, we have created the position of Senior Director of Community Engagement. While this person will have a role in grant making, the primary purpose is to engage with the community in our work.

The Senior Director of Community Engagement will report to the President and CEO and work to identify and nurture opportunities for affecting positive systemic change in the Buckeye, Shaker Square, Mt. Pleasant and Woodland Hills areas, interacting with constituencies that include block club leaders as well as public officials. As the primary representative of Saint Luke's Foundation in all aspects of engagement in the Buckeye/Mt. Pleasant/Woodhill/Shaker Square communities, the SDCE will represent the Foundation in the work of Shaker Square re-development and Purpose Built Communities as well as collaborate with community development partners on efforts to develop business in the Buckeye Corridor. He/she will develop and maintain strong, authentic relationships with community activists, potential and current grantees, police, elected officials and other leaders to address community needs. The person in this role will lead efforts to promote community at Saint Luke's Point and participate and/or lead in special community-organized projects and committees.

The SDCE, along with all staff of the Foundation, will work to ensure that attention to equity informs the work the Foundation's role and presence in the community.

Qualifications for this position include a college degree (master's degree in urban studies, urban economic development, diversity management or non-profit administration is a plus). Extensive experience in community-based work in Cleveland is a must. Understanding of community and network organizing principles is will be important for the person in this role. Ideally, the candidate would have extensive knowledge about the assets and challenges in the Mt. Pleasant, Buckeye, Shaker Square and Woodland Hills neighborhoods. A desire to roll up sleeves and engage authentically at the grass roots level is imperative as is the ability to provide strong leadership in a variety of settings. Interested candidates can email Anne Goodman, President and CEO of the Saint Luke's Foundation, at agoodman@saintlukesfoundation.org.