

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

MARKETING, COMMUNICATIONS & CUSTOMER SERVICE DIRECTOR Management

\$97,864.00 - \$124,904.00

Salaries are on a six-step salary range schedule with 5% increases yearly

Recruitment Applications

Opens Accepted until

January 9, 2019 February 25, 2019

A SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONAIRE IS REQUIRED FOR THIS RECRUITMENT (see below)

DEFINITION:

Under the direction of the CEO/General Manager, the Marketing, Communications and Customer Service Director plans, organizes, directs, develops and coordinates business development, marketing activities, branding and rebranding, acts as Santa Cruz METRO's primary media spokesperson, creates press releases, develops and oversees community outreach events/projects, oversees the content of the Santa Cruz METRO web site and social media, oversees the customer service interfaces of the agency including fare media and fare media distribution, manages the customer complaint process and is responsible for timely and responsive responses, develops, analyzes and oversees all customer surveys, develops and oversees all aspects of the advertising program, both revenue generating and agency promotion, and develops annual business development and marketing plans that include ridership growth targets. Performs other related duties as assigned.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

Receives general direction from the CEO/General Manager. Exercises general direction and initiative over customer service and marketing communications. The Marketing, Communications, and Customer Service Director serves as the Department Head and is responsible for all department functions.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The duties listed below represent the various types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them if the work is related or a logical assignment to this class.

Manages and conducts marketing studies, market analysis, cost/benefit analysis, customer surveys, and provides economic and financial feasibility analysis where applicable to identify new markets, business opportunities, and customer needs. Identifies and contacts potential new and potential partner organizations and customer blocks in order to expand Santa Cruz METRO's ridership.Tracks return on investment (ROI) on certain investments made to induce ridership growth.

Prepares technical and administrative reports, correspondence, written recommendations, and makes oral presentations to the Santa Cruz METRO Board of Directors, management, governmental officials, and other agencies and representatives. Supervise the publishing of Headways, the guarterly bus schedules, in both English and Spanish. Responds orally and in writing to inquiries and provides information regarding Santa Cruz METRO programs, marketing projects, fares, and other aspects of the organization. Assumes the lead in web and print content and partners with the IT department to develop Santa Cruz METRO's web site and social media pages, including updates and expanding the content and appearance of the site. Ensures that all electronic correspondence complies with Americans with Disabilities requirements. Develops, coordinates, implements and grows Santa Cruz METRO's advertisement and marketing programs for revenue generation, to promote Santa Cruz METRO services, and to build ridership. Serves as Santa Cruz METRO's lead spokesperson (PIO) and media contact (Public Relations) for information relating to Santa Cruz METRO and collaborates with and shares responsibility for media contact with the Manager of Safety, Security and Risk during security or crisis events. Works in conjunction with Santa Cruz METRO's planning department to develop public outreach for route changes, short range transportation plan, grant activities, and other events and functions in which Santa Cruz METRO should interface with the public and seek public input. Develops tools and procedures to ensure Santa Cruz METRO creates and fosters an environment of transparency. Oversees various public relations activities and functions designed to increase public awareness of, and promote the use of, public transportation using written materials, web, social media, and other forms of communication. Responsible for the development of a Marketing Plan, its annual updates and annual marketing budget. Responsible for developing a proposal for branding and re-branding the agency. Responsible for developing and implementing an annual customer survey and presenting the results to the CEO/General Manager and the Board along with survey results trend analysis. Develops Key Performance Indicators (KPI's), scorecards, dashboards, and other analysis tools that will assist the CEO/General Manager in his/her goals of measuring productivity, efficiencies and to set stretch goals. Performs other duties as assigned. Perform as a hands on "working" Manager.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS:

Knowledge of:

Principles, practices, and techniques relating to marketing. Mass marketing and public relations techniques including the ability to utilize video, print, and social media to communicate information to the public. Program analysis, cost/benefit evaluation, budget preparation, capital and financial forecasting techniques, project management and project control. Principles of advertising and promotional program development and evaluation. Principles and practices of strategic communications, and community outreach. Branding principles and procedures. Customer service principles and practices. Survey techniques.

Ability to:

Provide in-depth analysis of market trends and supporting recommendations. Plan, organize, and direct Santa Cruz METRO's customer service, fare media, and marketing programs. Prepare administrative and complex technical reports, correspondence, and written recommendations. Make effective oral presentations. Prepare budget forecasts and projections of revenues and expenditures plans for planning projects. Assist in capital project budget preparation. Direct, organize, and evaluate departmental programs and the performance of staff. Serve as the spokesperson for the agency and represent Santa Cruz METRO in a professional and courteous manner. Communicate strategically and effectively in oral and written form. Establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, union

representatives, Board members, stakeholders, elected and appointed officials, media representatives, and members of the public. Advanced knowledge of various Microsoft Suites and graphic software

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Education, Training and Experience:

Bachelor's degree from an accredited college in public relations, marketing, business, with an emphasis/minor in Marketing, or a closely related field.

AND

Five (5) years professional experience in public or private sector working in marketing or communications, including two (2) years supervisory experience, preferably in a public agency. Familiarity with transit agency or transportation system activities and functions is highly desirable. Experience in a large public organization is preferred.

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES:

A valid Class C driver license and safe driving record is required at the time of application. A valid Class C State driver license is required at the time of appointment and must be maintained throughout employment.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Must be able to work extended hours as needed, often outside regular business hours as required by the CEO and demands of the job. Must maintain strictest confidentiality. Must participate in professional development activities. Requires occasional travel.

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL DEMANDS:

The physical and mental demands described here are representative of those that must be met by employees to successfully perform the essential functions of this class. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Physical Demands

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to sit, walk and stand; talk and hear; use hands to finger, manipulate, handle, feel or operate objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms; and perform repetitive movements of hands or wrists. The employee is regularly required to bend and twist at the neck, reach with hands and arms. Occasional standing, walking, overhead reaching and lifting up to 20 pounds unaided is required. Specific visual abilities required for this job include close vision, distance vision, and the ability to adjust focus.

Mental Demands

While performing the duties of this job, an employee uses written and oral communication skills; reads and interprets data, information and documents; analyzes and solves problems; uses math and mathematical reasoning; performs highly detailed work; deals with multiple concurrent tasks; and interacts with others encountered in the course of work.

Work Environment:

The employee typically works in an office environment where the noise level is usually quiet. May require availability to work a flexible schedule.

OTHER CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

Must pass requisite background check.

SANTA CRUZ METRO OFFERS AN OUTSTANDING MANAGEMENT BENEFIT PROGRAM

LONGEVITY PAY: 5% after ten years and 10% after fifteen years.

ADMINISTRATIVE

LEAVE: Ten (10) days each year.

ANNUAL LEAVE: 11-24 days based on years of service.

HOLIDAYS: Eight (8) Santa Cruz METRO paid holidays. Eleven (11) floating

holidays.

SICK LEAVE: Twelve (12) days per year.

INSURANCE: Medical, dental and vision insurance plans for employees and

dependent(s). \$50,000 life and accidental death & dismemberment

insurance and long term disability insurance.

RETIREMENT: Enrollment in the California Public Employees' Retirement System.

Eligible to retire with family medical coverage after a minimum of five

vears service and retirement age.

If your immediate employer is part of CalPERS and you are a classic member, your CalPERS formula will be 2.5% at 55. If you are new to CalPERS or there is a gap in employment over 6 months, you will be considered a PEPRA employee with a pension formula of 2% at 62.

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit our website, www.scmtd.com to complete our on-line application. Resumes will not be considered in place of the line application. On-line applications must be submitted by 5:00pm on February 25, 2019.

PLEASE SCROLL DOWN FOR SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS

The purpose of this Supplemental Questionnaire is to obtain additional job-related information to identify the most qualified applicants to continue in the selection process.

Completion of this material is required. You must attach your answers to this questionnaire in Step 5 of your online application. <u>Candidates who do not submit this questionnaire will be eliminated from further consideration.</u>

NOTE: Not all applicants have transit marketing experience and may instead have private sector non-transit marketing experience. Where questions may be specific to transit, please do your best to draw a parallel to a similar topic in your private sector non-transit experience.

 Please describe in detail your experience with branding/rebranding. Include details about the approach taken; public outreach process/community involvement; focus groups; logo and graphic design elements; Board/Leadership involvement; cost of the overall project; source of funds (public/private); duration from start to implementation; any phased implementation; and over what period of time

2. Describe in detail your experience in the development of a Marketing Plan. Include details about the thought process and planning to develop the Plan, the approval process, and the steps involved to execute the plan. What period of time did the Plan cover and how frequently was/is it updated?

3.	What ideas do you have for revenue generation that may fall within the scope of a Marketing Director at a public agency?
4.	Describe your experience in implementing promotional campaigns/materials, including messaging.

5.	What size annual budget have you been responsible for overseeing over the past five years?
6.	Describe your experience with media and your knowledge of the local media market. Do you have any current media relationships you can describe, and how would you go about building new relationships to promote a positive METRO image.
7.	Describe your experience with developing website content.

8.	What is your experience in overseeing the Customer Service function of a private sector business or public agency?
9.	What has your employee span of control been over the past five years? Please provide details relative to the number of direct reports, total number of employees within your span of control, number of departments, etc.
10.	Describe how you would approach the task of staying up to date on the activities of relevant local advocacy groups and community trends, and how you would use that information to craft a marketing/communications plan.