



## **DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION**

### **ABOUT THE THEODORE ROOSEVELT PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY FOUNDATION**

*“Believe you can, and you’re halfway there.” -Theodore Roosevelt*

Since 2014, the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library Foundation (TRPLF) has been planning and building a new, ambitious kind of presidential library and museum. Other presidential libraries tell the story of a single individual, but the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library (TRPL) – being built more than a century after T.R.’s death – will do more than preserve history. The TRPL will be a people’s library, bringing Roosevelt’s values and relentless spirit to life at a critical time in our nation and world, while simultaneously championing the stories of all who “dare greatly, think boldly, care deeply, and live passionately.”

The Library is currently being constructed in Medora, North Dakota, with a milestone planned for July 4, 2026 – America’s 250th anniversary. Participants at the TRPL will learn from – not just about – Roosevelt’s story, being transformed in the same stunning Badlands that served as the fulcrum in T.R.’s incredible life story.

Guided by the pillar principles of leadership, citizenship, and conservation, the Foundation has partnered with innovative partners – like the award-winning architecture firm, Snøhetta, the exhibition and media design company, Local Projects, and the best-in-class story crafters, the Future of Storytelling – to build an institution like no other. With plans to be the most sustainable presidential library and campus ever, a revolutionary approach to interpretive design, and programming that will spread the Library’s message into neighboring Theodore Roosevelt National Park and beyond across the globe, the opportunity to join a talented team in building and opening this institution is truly unique.

### **JOB POSTING – DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION**

*“Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.” -Theodore Roosevelt*

TRPLF is seeking a dynamic, visionary Director of Education to lead and oversee the development and implementation of the Library’s educational programs and initiatives. They will lead an upbeat and high-energy Education Team, driven to provide world-class learning experiences to TRPL visitors.

The ideal candidate is passionate about education and believes in the transformative power of learning. Our organization is growing, and we seek a qualified candidate to grow with us.

The position is based in North Dakota and offers a flexible/hybrid work environment with offices available in Medora and Bismarck. As a key member of the TRPLF team reporting to the Director of Programming & Partnerships, the Director of Education will be responsible for shaping the educational vision and strategy of the TRPL. This role involves collaborating with the executive team to develop and fund innovative and engaging educational programs that align with the mission and values of the TRPL. The Director of Education will work closely with internal and external stakeholders to create educational experiences that resonate with diverse audiences, including students, teachers, families, lifelong learners, and benefactors.

The right candidate has the knowledge, skills, and mindset to join a leadership team that strives to work from abundance rather than scarcity. This person will understand that as TRPLF evolves, there must be room for iteration and innovation. We will collaborate, experiment, fail, and try again – and, in doing so, find better ways to engage the greater TRPL community with our heads, hands, and hearts.

Our Director of Education will design and implement a comprehensive educational program that supports the TRPL's mission, vision, values, and pillar principles. They will oversee the development of curriculum materials, educational resources, and scholarships that foster meaningful learning experiences. The Director of Education will also forge partnerships with schools, universities, educational organizations, and community groups to expand the reach and impact of the TRPL's educational initiatives.

**Specific qualifications include:**

- A master's degree in education, museum studies, or a related field along with sound knowledge of history, museum teaching, and object interpretation strategies.
- A minimum of 7 years of proven leadership experience in a museum setting is required along with an understanding of the role of education in a museum and best practices in the museum education field.
- Demonstrated expertise in curriculum development, instructional design, and educational program evaluation.
- Strong understanding of current trends and best practices in education, particularly in the areas of experiential learning, inquiry-based approaches, and educational technology.
- Proven ability to collaborate effectively with diverse stakeholders, including educators, content specialists, community leaders, and donors.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to inspire and engage audiences of all ages and backgrounds.
- Strategic thinking and vision, with the ability to translate ideas into actionable plans and measurable outcomes.
- A passion for promoting lifelong learning and a commitment to educational equity and inclusion.

**Job responsibilities include:**

- Lead the development and implementation of the TRPL's educational programs and initiatives, ensuring they align with the organization's mission, values, and strategic goals.
- Oversee the creation of engaging curriculum materials and educational resources that promote active learning and critical thinking.

- Collaborate with internal teams and external partners to design and deliver educational experiences that cater to diverse audiences, including students, teachers, families, and community groups.
- Supervise staff and volunteer personnel, develop programs and budgets, manage projects and plans, and meet deadlines.
- Establish and maintain relationships with schools, universities, educational organizations, and community stakeholders to expand the reach and impact of the TRPL's educational initiatives.
- Stay abreast of current trends and research in education, and integrate relevant best practices into the TRPL's educational programs.

## **BENEFITS**

Full benefits include 403(b), medical insurance, dental insurance, vision insurance, life insurance, short-term and long-term disability, as well as 20 days of paid time off and 10 days of holidays. Salary ranges between \$85,000 - \$100,000 depending upon experience.

## **EEO STATEMENT**

TRPLF is committed to creating a diverse, equitable, and inclusive environment. TRPL does not discriminate based on race, sex, color, religion, age, national origin, marital status, disability, veteran status, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other reason prohibited by law as a provision of employment opportunities and benefits.

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