



Vice President/Director

Full time | Chicago

The toughest energy challenges demand the sharpest minds. That's why Seventhwave is looking for a proven leader for our Chicago office. Are you:

- Passionate about making a real impact in the clean energy transition?
- Skilled in leadership, with strong professional connections in sustainability, clean energy, and the Chicago market?
- Experienced leading strategy, launching high-visibility initiatives and scaling them for impact?
- Inspired to build and develop a team of experts to solve the next generation of challenges in a low-carbon economy?
- Collaborative, with a track record of effective partnerships?

Then we want to connect with you!

Seventhwave is a nonprofit, mission-driven organization taking on the complex issues surrounding equitable sustainability, better buildings and the clean energy future. Our team has a passion for leading change and developing new program offerings for hard to reach markets. Clients, customers and partners engage us because they trust our reputation for technical expertise, scientific approach and proven solutions that provide real energy savings for real impacts across local, regional and national initiatives.

Seventhwave is seeking a proven leader to direct and grow our Chicago office as a major source of technical and community solutions in Illinois and the Midwest. This leader will develop new program offerings, develop new partnerships, and make a significant contribution to Seventhwave's next generation of solutions addressing carbon and climate change.

Responsibilities

- Lead the Chicago office. Act as the primary face of Seventhwave in Chicagoland, and develop and maintain a strong national leadership profile.
- Recruit and retain talented professionals. Coach, mentor, and develop professional staff in the Seventhwave Chicago office.
- Communicate and reinforce Seventhwave mission and values internally and externally.
- Anticipate and respond to market trends in developing new solutions and strategy.
- Provide sound program and organizational management, including financial, operational, and external relations.
- Demonstrate team skills internally and externally.
- Key account management working closely with clients and community leaders to monitor program results, delivering high quality work on time and on budget.
- Develop and scale up new energy efficiency program offerings.
- Lead program-level decision-making and guide future program strategy.

- Lead program budget planning, cost tracking and forecasting activities.
- Oversee the development of program performance tracking and reporting systems.
- Conduct QA/QC of program processes and protocols, offering design improvements and recommendations.
- Develop and manage relationships with project partners, vendors and other stakeholders.
- Contribute to Seventhwave's business development efforts, including proposal-writing, relationship-building and public presentations.

Qualifications

- Proven leadership skills and a recognized leadership profile.
- A track record of significant program impact.
- Extensive knowledge of the sustainability industry with a solid foundation in energy programs and trends.
- Bachelor's degree in arts, science or engineering.
Ten years of energy industry experience.
- Powerful communication skills – written and verbal.
- Proven project management skills including development and execution of work plans, schedules and budgets.
- Excellent problem-solving ability.
- Experience with meeting contractual obligations and delivering high quality results to clients.
- Ability to analyze, manipulate, and present data effectively in reports, presentations and informal communications.
- Ability to listen and convey information effectively to individuals or groups.
- Strong interpersonal skills, including the ability to collaborate with others, inspire teams, and maintain good relationships with clients.
- Proficiency with the Microsoft Office Suite.
- Demonstrated connection and commitment to Seventhwave's mission.

About Seventhwave

Seventhwave is a mission-driven nonprofit dedicated to advancing innovative strategies for real energy impacts through engineering, education and research. We implement award-winning energy efficiency programs that offer innovative approaches to address today's energy challenges. Our organization is headquartered in Madison, Wisconsin, with a growing team in Chicago, Illinois. We provide a challenging, stimulating work environment that prizes collaboration and work-life balance.

Seventhwave provides equal employment opportunities (EEO) to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to sex, race, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, marital status, arrest or conviction record or any other basis provided by applicable law.

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