



### **AthFest Educates Executive Director**

AthFest Educates is a nonprofit organization committed to sustaining and advancing music and arts education for K-12 youth in Athens Clarke County. To date AthFest Educates has awarded over \$525,000 in grants to teachers, school staff and local nonprofit organizations that supplement and enhance students' music and arts experiences. Our grants fund programs and experiences for students that incorporate performing and visual arts, and supply educators with both the physical tools they need in the classroom, such as instruments and audio visual equipment, as well as opportunities for professional development. Grants are funded through community support and two annual fundraisers, The AthFest Music & Arts Festival and The AthHalf Half Marathon & 5K.

The AthFest Educates Board of Directors is seeking a new Executive Director with the vision and skills to build on our success and lead the organization in finding innovative ways to increase our value to the community.

Our ideal candidate is:

- Committed to the Athens community.
- Ready to serve as the public face of AthFest Educates.
- Experienced in strategic planning within a growing organization.
- An effective communicator with the ability to build and sustain relationships with our stakeholders, including donors, grantees, local government, school leadership, sponsors, partner agencies, and the media.

The ED's responsibilities include:

- Leading the strategic planning efforts of the organization.
- Overseeing the day-to-day operations and finances of the organization.
- Conducting outreach to further the community's understanding of the mission and goals of the organization.
- Ensuring the sustainability of the organization through fundraising and fund development.
- Providing support to the AthFest and AthHalf Half Marathon & 5K planning committees, and the Grants Committee.

In conducting these duties, the ED will have the following resources:

- A working Board of Directors who are committed to your success and the success of the organization.
- A Festival Production Manager and festival planning committee to support the production of the AthFest Music and Arts Festival each June.
- A committed Grants Committee to assist with the evaluation and selection of qualified grantees each August.
- An experienced race steering committee to support the implementation of the AthHalf Marathon and 5K each October.
- A professional Media Representative to support external communications and social media.
- Professional Leadership Transition Support, including in-depth strategy sessions.

This position requires a Bachelor's Degree, strong communication skills, a high level of self-motivation and time management, and an understanding of essential recordkeeping and information management practices, particularly in relation to the budgets, finance, personnel, and contract management.

This is a full-time position with flexible hours and benefits. Salary \$55,000 - \$65,000 commensurate with experience.

If you are eager to lead an organization committed to sustaining and advancing music and arts education in Athens, we'd love to hear from you! Send a cover letter and resume to [info@athfsteducates.org](mailto:info@athfsteducates.org).