



POSITION OPENING: Senior Vice President or Vice President, Health and Housing

LOCATION: Washington, DC—Gallery Place/City Center

SALARY: Commensurate with experience

Stewards of Affordable Housing or [SAHF](#) is a nonprofit collaborative of thirteen exemplary [multi-state nonprofit affordable housing providers](#) which own more than 140,000 affordable rental homes across the nation. SAHF also partners with our financing affiliate, the National Affordable Housing Trust ([NAHT](#)). SAHF members are committed to the long-term affordability, sustainability and expansion of rental housing that makes a difference in people’s lives. **SAHF’s mission is to advance the creation and preservation of healthy, sustainable affordable rental homes that foster equity, opportunity, and wellness for people of limited economic resources.**

SAHF and its members are a dynamic team focused on learning from and applying on-the-ground experience to systems change and to advancing more effective and equitable policy and practice. We leverage one another’s best practices and collaborate to expand, innovate and scale business and mission opportunities and policy change. Examples include SAHF’s work to improve health outcomes for low-income individuals and families through [thought leadership and best practices](#), [financing innovations](#) and [healthy building practices](#). SAHF members are also committed to measuring their impact, leveraging data to evaluate outcomes to foster new partnerships, collaborations and initiatives. Please see our recent [Building to Impact](#) report as an example.

SAHF and its members recognize that housing is a key social determinant of health. SAHF has three critical elements to its Health and Housing work: 1) increase the supply of and support preservation of affordable, sustainable rental homes; 2) increase access to opportunities and services that foster resident well-being and dignity among all affordable housing residents, especially the SAHF members’ 250,000 plus residents; and 3) foster healthy building design and materials and healthy communities that support wellness and a strong quality of life.

JOB DESCRIPTION

As SAHF’s principal on health and housing issues and leader of the resident outcomes team, this position will actively participate in SAHF’s senior leadership team, helping set direction and guide the implementation of the strategic plan in a way that advances thought leadership, policy and on-the-ground practice. The VP/SVP will lead two strategic goals: **(1) Support the stability, health and wellness, and economic mobility of affordable rental housing residents; and (2) Expand and explore new interventions with the healthcare sector to improve healthcare access, reduce health care costs, increase housing supply and improve health outcomes of SAHF residents.** Additionally, the SVP/VP of Health and Housing will share leadership of the following goal with the Senior Vice President of Energy: **Promote positive environmental and health outcomes in affordable rental housing through quality design & operations.**

This position will help lead the affordable multifamily housing sector through thought leadership and programmatic innovation on the intersection of health and housing systems, the social determinants of health, and on-the-ground practice by SAHF members and other affordable housing developers. The VP/SVP will collaborate and partner to change mindsets, policies, frameworks and investments that promote health equity, support positive physical and mental health outcomes and increase the supply and preservation of affordable rental homes.

The VP/SVP will lead or support five of SAHF’s efforts related to health and housing: (1) SAHF’s [Outcomes Initiative](#), which focuses on how quality affordable housing and related services can contribute to positive outcomes in residents’ lives with a strong focus on mental and behavioral health in addition to physical health; (2) SAHF’s efforts to partner with the health care sector to increase and preserve the supply of affordable rental homes; (3) [CORES](#) (Certified

Organization for Resident Engagement and Services) – a new initiative to support accountability and performance in service-enriched affordable housing; (4) [Bringing Sustainability Home](#), an initiative that includes efforts to increase the application of healthy building practices, including using non-toxic materials and active design principles; and (5) SAHF's [policy efforts](#) to increase the supply of and support preservation of affordable rental homes that support opportunity, well-being and dignity.

The SVP/VP of Health and Housing will report to the President and CEO of SAHF. This position will have ongoing and active engagement with the SAHF Board, which includes the CEOs and other c-suite leadership of the SAHF member organizations, as well as SAHF's resident services peer group. In addition to what is stated above, the SVP/VP will:

- Build and foster strong relationships with SAHF's members and co-create with them new solutions
- As the leader of the Outcomes Initiative Team, have managerial responsibility for the team and advance this critical component of SAHF's work
- Identify funding prospects, develop concepts and proposals and oversee or write grant reports
- Lead all partnership development and implementation between SAHF and the health and public health industry and support SAHF members in health care partnerships, as appropriate
- Work with SAHF colleagues and members to formulate, advocate for, and implement practice-based improvements in affordable housing and health care policy at the national and state levels
- Represent SAHF at conferences and in meetings with partners, members, and government officials. Speak at relevant forums as well as write blogs or articles for trade journals and publications

Qualifications:

- Advanced degree relevant to this position with strong academic credentials required
- Strong understanding of and orientation to the social determinants of health, health equity and the linkages between poverty, race and health outcomes
- Personal commitment to equity and SAHF's mission
- Recent experience working in or with the public health and/or health care system and broad understanding of health care policy, CMS and the Affordable Care Act
- Demonstrated leadership skills, ability to take initiative and to work independently
- Excellent oral, written and listening communications skills
- Demonstrated experience in personnel management
- Demonstrated organizational skills and project management experience, including capabilities suited to detailed management of multiple partnerships, convenings, and grant reporting requirements
- Strong team player and demonstrated partnership experience
- Strong comfort with being an external representative for SAHF
- Experience providing direct services (either through clinical experience or resident services) is a plus
- Familiarity and/or experience with affordable housing policy and programs, community development and resident services is a plus
- Familiarity with the impact of the built environment, including healthy building practices, on health outcomes is also desirable
- Fundraising experience is preferred, but not required
- Committed to collaboration and excellent member customer service.

SAHF is committed to a diverse and inclusive workforce and encourages all candidates, especially those who have been historically underrepresented based on race/ethnicity, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender, socioeconomic status, citizenship status, or religion, to apply. On a daily basis, we are committed to our core values of Respect, Diversity and Inclusion, Collaboration, Stewardship and Integrity. You can learn more about us on [our website](#).

Please submit a resume and cover letter which addresses the required qualifications to jobs@sahfnet.org. **Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.** Due to the volume of applications usually received, we regret that we cannot individually respond to all candidates.