
Development Director – Make a Lasting Impact on Youth in Central Illinois

 *Location: Peoria or Bloomington, Illinois*

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About Us

For over a century, Scouting has shaped the lives of young people by instilling values, building character, and preparing them for a lifetime of leadership and service. The **W. D. Boyce Council** is proud to carry that legacy forward in Central Illinois, serving more than 3,500 Scouts and volunteers across 14 counties.

We're not just a youth organization—we're a movement. And we're looking for a passionate, driven, and relationship-focused **Development Director** to help us grow our mission and expand our impact.

The Opportunity

As Development Director, you'll be at the heart of our fundraising efforts, leading key initiatives in the Peoria and Bloomington/Normal communities. You'll work closely with our development team including our Director of Development and CEO/Scout Executive to build meaningful relationships, engage community leaders, and drive revenue to support life-changing Scouting programs.

This is more than a job—it's a chance to be part of something bigger. You'll join a team of professionals who believe in the power of purpose, the strength of community, and the potential of every young person.

What You'll Do

- Lead and grow signature fundraising events—galas, golf outings, donor receptions, and more.
 - Cultivate and steward relationships with donors, sponsors, and community leaders.
 - Drive donor engagement and expand our base of support through strategic outreach.
 - Collaborate with volunteers and staff to meet ambitious fundraising goals.
 - Champion the mission of Scouting America and share its impact with passion and clarity.
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What You Bring

- Bachelor's degree and 2+ years of experience in fundraising, event planning, marketing, or sales.
 - A proven track record of fundraising and managing successful campaigns.
 - Exceptional communication and interpersonal skills—you're a natural relationship builder.
 - Strong organizational skills and attention to detail.
 - A self-starter mindset with the ability to lead, inspire, and collaborate.
 - Willingness to work occasional evenings/weekends and travel locally as needed.
 - A commitment to the values of Scouting (prior experience is a plus, but not required).
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Bonus Points If You Have

- Experience leading high-revenue, donor-centric events.
 - A magnetic, can-do attitude and a passion for nonprofit work.
 - A desire to make a real difference in the lives of young people.
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Why Join Us?

- Competitive salary and comprehensive benefits.
 - A mission-driven culture where your work truly matters.
 - Opportunities for professional growth and advancement.
 - The chance to be part of a legacy that's over 100 years strong—and still growing.
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Ready to help shape the future of Scouting in Central Illinois?

Begin your adventure today by sending a resume and cover letter to ben.blumenberg@scouting.org with the subject line "Grow Scouting".
