Information Technology (IT) Director
Illinois House of Representatives – Office of the Speaker

The Illinois House of Representatives is seeking an experienced director to fill an IT (Information Technology) Director position supporting the delivery of technology services within the Office of the Speaker. This position will be located in Springfield, Illinois with the possibility of partial remote work allowance.

The House Democrat IT unit consists of the Director along with three team members. Primarily, under the supervision of the House Democrat Chief of Staff, the director and unit provide technology support including cloud-based services to 200 users within the Office of the Speaker.

Responsibilities

- Develop strategy as it relates to the organization's IT infrastructure (computer and information systems, security, communication systems) and oversee all technology operations with focus on how well it supports the vision and roadmap for the Office of the Speaker.
- Consult senior-level stakeholders across the entire organization to identify business and technology needs and to optimize the use of information technology
- Purchase efficient and cost effective equipment and software
- Inspect the use of technological equipment and software to ensure functionality and efficiency and perform gap analysis
- Identify the need for upgrades, configurations or new systems and purchase needed technology while negotiating contracts
- Control budget and report on expenditure
- Assist in building relationships with vendors and creating cost-efficient contracts
- Provide direction, guidance, and training to IT staff

Areas of Work:

- Networking – routers, security/firewall/switches
- Managing Microsoft Technologies, Windows servers, workstation, authentication, and monitoring technologies
- Managing agency’s virtual environments, Nutanix, and VMware
- Help Desk management – help desk ticketing systems
- Cloud Based technologies – G Suite, Azure
- Vendor Management – contracts/licensing/budget
- Proficient in policy writing and audit knowledge
- Security Operations Center and compliance

Requirements

- Proven experience as IT director or similar role
- Experience in analysis, implementation and evaluation of IT systems and their specifications
- At least five years of experience working in IT operations, supervising technology teams, and overseeing large information technology projects
● Excellent understanding of computer systems, security, network and systems administration, databases and data storage systems, and telecommunications systems
● Strong interpersonal skills and ability to clearly and effectively communicate with teams across the entire organization
● Strong knowledge of project management principles
● Sound understanding of computer systems (hardware/software), networks etc.
● Linux experience in any of CentOS, Redhat, Ubuntu
● Experience in controlling information technology budget
● Industry knowledge of best practices using cloud based technologies
● Excellent organizational, decision-making and leadership skills
● BSc/BA in computer science, engineering or relevant field strongly preferred
● Experience in state government preferred

Salary Range:

● Minimum of $125,000; Full-time position; compensation based on experience and education
● Health, dental, vision, prescription, behavioral health, and life insurance, for details visit: https://www2.illinois.gov/cms/benefits/StateEmployee/Pages/StateInsuranceProgram.aspx
● Participation in State Employees’ Retirement System
● Optional participation in health savings account and deferred compensation programs
● Competitive vacation, sick, and personal time

For Further Information or to Apply

Interested applicants should email a resume, cover letter, technology vision statement (no more than 3 pages), and three references to:

    Pamela Lassiter
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