



President of the Topeka Chamber and SVP of Government Affairs

MISSION: GTP's mission is to be the catalyst for economic prosperity within our community. The Chamber's mission is to mobilize the community to speak with a highly influential voice in support of public policies that create economic success.

VISION: The Greater Topeka Region is internationally recognized as a vibrant, innovative, fun, diverse and healthy community. The Chamber's vision encompasses Topeka / Shawnee County's global reputation as a community which is vibrant, innovative, fun, diverse and healthy, in part, because its public policies enable it to flourish.

The President of the Topeka Chamber will be an integral member of the Partnership team responsible for managing all aspects of the Greater Topeka Partnership's public policy initiatives.

Major duties include:

- Advocates public policies at the local, state, and federal level which create an environment conducive to business and community growth and which facilitate the achievement of the Partnership's strategic objectives.
- Acts as the lead staff liaison to the Chamber Board of Directors, helping guide their formulation of a public policy agenda and working with them to achieve legislative success. Also acts as the lead staff liaison to the Chamber's Political Action Committee.
- Fosters ongoing relationships with elected officials at all levels, keeping them informed of Partnership initiatives and enlisting their support of Chamber objectives.
- As a member of the Partnership's Executive Leadership Team, the Chamber President also plays a significant role in cultivating a strong culture at the Partnership and implementing policies and procedures which enable the Partnership to function at a world-class level.

A strong candidate will possess:

- At least five (5) years' experience in law, government relations and/or lobbying.
- Good working knowledge of basic business and economic principles.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills, including public speaking experience.
- A background in non-profit board service or governance.
- Demonstrated ability to build and sustain productive professional relationships.

The right candidate must be aligned with the Partnership's Core Values, which run through every decision we make, every action we take:

EQUITY – Our organization, like our community, is great when everyone has a voice that is heard and valued.

INTEGRITY – We place integrity at the forefront of all our decisions and will continue to build a team only of individuals who are dedicated to doing the right thing in a fair and honest way.

VISIONARY – The future starts today and the decisions we make shape tomorrow. We encourage and support creativity in our community and stay on the cutting edge of our industry's standards.

PASSION FOR COMMUNITY – We love our community!

If you think **YOU** might be the one, send a short cover letter and resume to Jessica Ohse at jessica.ohse@topekapartnership.com.

