

Job / Position Title: Wish Coordinator (Metairie - Louisiana)

Department: Mission Delivery

Supervisor: Medical Outreach and Wish Manager

Status & Classification: Full-Time & Non-Exempt

Date: November 2023 **Salary:** \$40,000-\$45,000

Together, we create life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. From our humble beginnings with one boy's wish to be a police officer, we have evolved to be one of the world's leading children's charities, serving children in every community in the United States and its territories. With the help of generous donors and nearly 100 local volunteers, Make-A-Wish Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana granted 575 children's wishes last year.

Position Summary: Responsible for assisting the Mission Delivery team with executing the goals and objectives of Wish Granting. This is a great opportunity to share in the power of a child's wish come true, especially at one of the leading Make-A-Wish chapters in the country, as well as a tremendous opportunity to play a crucial role in our success, make an immediate impact, and experience profound job satisfaction/fulfillment.

Duties and responsibilities:

- Manage, plan and supervise a caseload of wishes.
- Plan wishes while working closely with wish families, volunteers, and vendors.
- Coordinate all specific aspects involved with the wish, including but not limited to: transportation, accommodations, services, assisting chapters, medical equipment, liability forms, and itineraries.
- Manage wish data and equivalent paper/electronic files on each child to ensure compliance with National Standards and Chapter guidelines.
- Establish a wish budget within the guidelines set forth by the Chapter, receive approval on all budgets by supervisor.
- Monitor progress of each assigned wish and ensure wish proceeds in a timely manner.
- Provide proper reporting and back up, i.e. credit card authorizations, purchase orders, gift in-kind forms.
- Administer and file all procedures required for completion of a wish.
- Effectively perform crisis communication and reflective listening techniques with wish families.
- Provide written record of all communications for each wish (telephone calls, emails, follow-up, medical equipment needed, etc.).

- Provides 24-hour on-call coverage on active wishes as needed.
- Represents Make-A-Wish Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana at annual events; works as a liaison and support figure for wish families who are in attendance.
- Maintain sensitivity and confidentiality to families being served by the Foundation.
- Adhere to all Make-A-Wish® America performance standards and Make-A-Wish® Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana policies and procedures.
- Follow up with medical authorization forms as needed.
- Administer and file all procedures required for completion of a wish and file closure.
- Handle routine phone calls and emails for Wish Granting information in professional and timely manner.
- Supervise and support interns involved in the wish program through their university internship program.
- In-person position at our Metairie office in Louisiana.
- Perform other job duties, as assigned.

Knowledge and Abilities

- Ability to manage and prioritize multiple tasks effectively.
- Detail-oriented and well organized.
- Ability to motivate and support a diverse constituency in a team-oriented atmosphere.
- Provide excellent customer service and representation of Make-A-Wish to external supporters and all wish families.
- Fulfill wishes and interact with families in a compassionate and caring manner, sensitive to the challenging circumstances that may be present in families' lives.
- Able to successfully work in, motivate, and support a collaborative, team-oriented organization.
- Commitment to and a passion for the mission of Make-A-Wish Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana.
- Confidentiality and personal integrity are essential.
- Experience with developing and implementing creative solutions to time sensitive work.
- Proficient computer skills in Microsoft Office and database management (preferably Salesforce).
- Proficiency in virtual tools and platforms is a plus, and a willingness to adapt to new technologies is highly valued.

Desired Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree required.
- Related work experience (1-3 years) in social services concentration.

Working Conditions

This position is in the Metairie, LA office of the Make-A-Wish Texas Gulf Coast and Louisiana chapter. The position requires the individual to work in an office environment in a shared office space. Incumbent must be willing to work some nights/weekends. Must be willing to travel to Stafford, TX office for chapter events and training (between 3-6 times per year). Please note that this role will require use of virtual platforms for collaboration and communication purposes.

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We are more than a great place to volunteer - our work is life changing. We are an inclusive and diverse group of people who, through a mosaic of backgrounds, thoughts and experiences are united in purposeful work. We

are fueled and guided by our values - values that are represented in the inspired people we work with and the transformational work we do every day.

To apply: Please email your cover letter and resume to hr@texgulf.wish.org

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