

Program Director, Social Enterprise

Samvid Ventures

Location: New York, NY [hybrid: in office 3 days/week]

Compensation: \$125-\$150k DOE, competitive benefits

Application requirements: Email resume and salary requirement to recruiter@samvid.ventures

SAMVID VENTURES

Samvid Ventures (SV) is a philanthropic foundation committed to improving lives and advancing society through innovation in entrepreneurship, education, and wellness. It has staff and board presence in Detroit, New York, and Miami, and a national footprint in its programming.

The SV team values collaboration, intellectual curiosity, creativity, continuous improvement, a commitment to professional growth and development, and maintaining a service orientation in all we do. In its team members, Samvid Ventures looks for individuals who are motivated by excellence, will thrive in an entrepreneurial environment, and have demonstrated a strong impact orientation through their work and their values.

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PROGRAMMING

Samvid Ventures is launching innovative, forward-thinking programming to improve economic mobility by building and supporting social enterprises. The first initiative will be a startup accelerator to support early-stage founders building technologies to improve the lives of low- to moderate-income (LMI) Americans. The program director will help advance bold, tech-enabled solutions to some of America's most pressing problems alongside our Board, external partners, and selected founders in the accelerator. This programming will realize a long-held belief by SV's board that social enterprise is an incredibly powerful tool for unlocking sustainable social change, and that technology can and should play a critical role in materially improving the lives of LMI Americans.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR ROLE

The Program Director will work alongside SV's leadership team and Board of Directors to launch and manage social enterprise programming. This individual will have the ability to participate in the design phase of SV's social enterprise body of work while also maintaining an important ongoing management role. This is a unique opportunity for an exceptionally talented and entrepreneurially-minded individual to use core operational skills, thoughtful strategic frameworks and drive and determination to make our world better and our economy more inclusive. Responsibilities will include:

- **Program launch:** Building on the vision set by the board and in collaboration with external partners, launch a startup accelerator focused on founders who are using technology to improve the lives of LMI Americans.
- **Program management:** Fully own all details of SV's social enterprise programming, including day to day partnership and operations support for the accelerator and its founders.
- **Relationship building:** Authentically and meaningfully engage with founders and partners in the accelerator, social entrepreneurs, the communities they serve and broader ecosystem, and the SV team and board to ensure needs are met, curiosities are satisfied, and positive partnerships are built and maintained both internally and externally.
- **Strategic program growth:** Under the direction of the board, participate in the continued buildout of SV's social enterprise initiatives. Engage with SV's board to provide program updates, bring to bear information on the context in which we work, and share thoughtful and strategic recommendations for next steps.

WHO WE'RE LOOKING FOR

- **Qualifications**
 - 8-15+ years of experience with significant time in professional services, startups, and organizations focused on economic mobility; previous experience at an accelerator not required
 - Demonstrated track record in managing partners and holding them accountable for results while building a positive, effective working relationship.
 - Experience launching a program and improving operations and core strategy over time
 - Bachelor's degree; relevant advanced degree helpful but not required
- **Attributes**
 - Commitment to and passion for social enterprise; deep belief that technology is a promising tool for improving economic mobility
 - Comfortable wearing many hats and unafraid to get their hands dirty
 - Ability to balance bold ideas with a humble attitude, always seeking to learn more
 - Outstanding active listening skills with a keen ability to take action after conversations and meetings

- Ability to work effectively with diverse concepts, individuals, and organizations and engage a wide range of stakeholders
- Ability to work both independently and collaboratively; possess a strong team spirit while maintaining professional confidence to get things done on their own