Pecan Street Inc. Chief Executive Officer Job Description

The Pecan Street Inc. board of directors is seeking an experienced and motivated leader to chart the next chapter for our groundbreaking climate-focused research and development organization.

Headquartered in Austin, Pecan Street created a first-of-its-kind energy research network that provides the highest-resolution electricity use and generation data on the planet. This research network fuels Dataport, our online data platform, and has been leveraged by academic, corporate and advocacy researchers around the world.

Our success is grounded in the communities that partner with us to provide data, information and insights. We work hand-in-hand with our university researchers, companies and advocacy partners to develop and implement climate solutions that work in our complex world. The CEO will advance Pecan Street's mission to leverage big data and innovation for leapfrog advances in emissions reductions, climate resiliency, resource conservation, and quality of life.

The CEO will work closely with our board of directors and senior team to lead resource and partnership development, guide strategy, and ensure the delivery of programs that achieve measurable results at the intersection of climate solutions, technology innovation, and social justice. Learn more at www.pecanstreet.org.

Responsibilities
The CEO:
- is responsible for providing strategic, financial, and operational leadership for Pecan Street Inc. to advance the organization's mission;
- will work closely with Pecan Street's staff, partners, and board of directors to establish strategic goals, develop pathways to achieve those goals, and ensure the organization is sufficiently resourced;
- will enforce and improve policies and procedures that increase the financial and operational effectiveness of the organization;
- will expand Pecan Street's network of academic, industry, and philanthropic collaborators to increase the organization's impact on the development and scaling of equitable climate solutions;
- will serve as the primary voice of Pecan Street, advocating for innovation and the role of data- and community-driven solutions in advancing climate change mitigation and adaptation. As such, the selected candidate will have a significant opportunity to meaningfully shape the international climate conversation.

Qualifications
- College degree in a relevant field and deep knowledge of the issues and opportunities surrounding decarbonization in the energy, transportation, and/or agriculture sectors. Advanced degrees in applicable fields are preferred.
- Enthusiastic and passionate individual who leads by example and is committed to developing innovative solutions for climate change mitigation and adaptation that center on equity.
- Experience growing a mid-sized non-profit organization with a team-focused management approach.

- Direct experience working with a broad network of collaborators and funders in the climate space.
- Successful development experience with philanthropic and/or government funding sectors.
- Demonstrated commitment to collaboration with the scientific research community and/or high-impact research and development teams at private companies.
- Demonstrated impact advancing equity and racial justice in the climate transition.
- Seasoned public speaker and communicator, committed to effective communication of scientific research outcomes with industry and policy decision-makers as well as the general public.
- Expertise in social sciences research and/or engineering preferred.
- Austin-based candidate or willingness to relocate to Austin preferred; remote employment possible for candidates in California, New York, Detroit, or Washington, DC with quarterly travel to Austin.

Application Process

Interested candidates should submit a resume or CV, a cover letter explaining their interest in the organization and additional documents that will aid the board's selection process. References will be requested as part of the interview process for candidates of interest. Visit pecanstreet.org/apply to apply.