

COMMUNITY DESIGN AGENCY - JOB OPENING

POSITION:

SENIOR ARCHITECT

ABOUT:

Architecture and design are more than just buildings. In an ideal world, they create healthy, safe, and vibrant spaces — the foundation of fulfilled lives and thriving communities. Community Design Agency (CDA) is a social enterprise working alongside marginalized communities to transform their build environment. Our goal is to create positive change by addressing the underlying inequalities in the built environment and empowering communities to shape their own futures. We believe that architecture and design facilitate equity, justice, and inclusion, and this is particularly true for those on the margins. Thus, we collaborate closely with marginalized communities, with those residing in inadequate built environments, and strive to strengthen social cohesion, create safer spaces, and enhance climate resilience in their neighborhoods.

ROLE DESCRIPTION:

Based in Mumbai, the 'Senior Architect' will report to the Managing Director. Depending on the level of experience, the primary responsibility will be to lead and support the design and development of various initiatives within Community Design Agency.

SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED:

- 7-10 years of work experience in an architecture practice
- Bachelor's Degree from an accredited school of architecture, Master's Degree a plus
- Experienced in all phases of project design and construction
- Advanced expertise and knowledge of architectural building systems, knowledge of construction methodology, design trends, materials and material application, etc.
- Passionate about sustainability and environmentally responsible design
- Stay updated on local zoning regulations, building codes, and design standards relevant to urban design projects.
- Ability to effectively plan and meet deadlines for deliverables
- Advanced proficiency in AutoCAD and understanding of delivery of drawing sets and integrated construction documentation. In addition, an ability to use some of the following softwares is necessary: Revit, Rhino, Adobe CS (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign), Microsoft Office
- Must have an eye for detail and quality output
- Be willing to travel on a regular basis for site visits and nurture community and partner relationships
- Enjoy working in a very collaborative manner with end-user communities, our partners and a multidisciplinary team of community planners, artists, business professionals etc; and ability to address their concerns in an effective manner
- Ability to handle and manage a team effectively and to develop and mentor team members in relevant roles.
- Excellent communication skills are a must to maintain community relationships, and liaise with consultants and project collaborators.
- Ability to converse fluently and read in English and Hindi is a must.
- Good presentation, writing, and public speaking skills are a must
- Independence in thought and action, and a willingness to stand up for their beliefs
- Respectful, understanding of local value systems, and should be able to work



with people at all levels in the communities that we go into

- Must have a great sense of humor, patience, reliability and integrity
- Lots of common sense and a deep desire to learn and grow

DESIRABLE:

- Prior work / volunteer experience in non-profits or socially driven agencies
- Demonstrate the ability to manage multiple projects, including schedules and budgets
- Good understanding of project management processes
- LEED or similar accreditations preferred

This description reflects the core activities of the role but is not intended to be all-inclusive. Other duties within the studio may be required in addition to changes in the emphasis of duties as required from time to time.

We offer competitive salaries. The successful applicant will be asked to relocate to Mumbai, if they do not already live here.

TO APPLY:

For immediate consideration, candidates should submit a resume, portfolio and cover letter stating why they are a good fit for a socially-driven architecture organization, to **careers@currystonedesign.com** with subject title **"ATTN: SENIOR ARCHITECT"**.

Community Design Agency is an equal opportunities employer.

Last Date to Apply is 10th March 2024.