

The Loppet Foundation Director of Infrastructure Volunteer Role

The Loppet Foundation's mission is connecting people to the outdoors through experiences that grow community. We value anti-racism, collaboration, growth, inclusion, play, stewardship, and well-being. The foundation provides quality programming for youth and adults, produces world class adventures and sporting events, and strives to create a welcoming and inclusive community in its operations in Theodore Wirth Park.

The Loppet Organizing Committee (LOC) are dedicated and energetic individuals who work together to produce high quality competitive events in conjunction with US Ski & Snowboard and CXC Skiing.

The LOC is made up of about 25 committed volunteers that the Chair oversees. The Director of Infrastructure works closely with the Director of Events, LOC, and Loppet Staff. This is a year round volunteer position that is typically one meeting a month in the fall and winter, plus one full event weekend in the winter. The LOC is typically responsible for one event per year. The 2024 Loppet World Cup was produced by the LOC in close collaboration with Loppet staff.

Job Summary: Manage infrastructure planning and execution for annual ski races at Theodore Wirth Park such as CXC Cup, Super Tour, World Masters, collegiate events, and potentially a World Cup.

Time Commitment: Varies depending on complexity of the event. Basic events require about five hours a week beginning in the fall until the race and about four full days are necessary for the race. The World Cup requires 10 hours a week starting one year prior and four 40 hour weeks for the race.

Director of Infrastructure is responsible for the following:

- Gather Infrastructure requirements from LOC, USS&S, FIS, and other parties.
- Manage electrical, internet, radio, facilities, tents, pathway accessibility, furniture, fixture and equipment, trash, and sanitation.
- Recruit and manage leads for each discipline.
- Work with Loppet staff to acquire necessary Minneapolis Park & Rec Board, electrical, and fire permits.
- Coordinate activities with Trails Crew and other Loppet staff.
- Develop and maintain an accurate budget.
- Manage expenses to minimize costs while maintaining a high quality event.
- Review and approve Infrastructure related invoices.
- Competence with Google Suite, Zoom, and other productivity apps.
- Other requirements as assigned by the LOC chair.

We recognize the need for a diverse workforce and understand that traditionally underrepresented communities must be centered in the work we do. As a Foundation, we are committed to building a blended team that reflects the community we serve. Hence, we strongly encourage BIPOC, Indigenous and Queer-identified individuals to apply.

Email Mike Bono, current LOC Chair at mbono2411@gmail.com and Tom Ajax, current Director of Infrastructure at tomajaxmn@gmail.com if interested.