Organization Overview
Commonwealth strengthens the financial opportunity and security of financially vulnerable people by discovering ideas, piloting solutions, and driving innovations to scale. For nearly two decades, Commonwealth has designed effective innovations, products, and policies enabling over a million people to accumulate more than $3 billion in savings. Commonwealth understands broad changes requires market players to act. That's why we collaborate with consumers, the financial services industry, employers, policymakers and mission-driven organizations. The solutions we build are grounded in real life, based on our deep understanding of people who are financially vulnerable and how businesses can best serve them. To learn more about the organization, please visit www.buildcommonwealth.org

Position Overview:
As an Innovation Strategist, you play a key role in helping Commonwealth build and scale innovative financial solutions for financially vulnerable Americans. You will be part of an organization and team passionate about making positive, scalable impact on the financial lives of people. You will develop content knowledge and project management skills as you contribute to multiple initiatives.

Responsibilities
- Coordinate projects through task management, organization and disciplined follow up.
- Employ strong interpersonal skills to foster strategic relationships with financial institutions, community groups, vendors and other critical partners.
- Conduct original qualitative and quantitative research.
- Follow industry developments and study relevant consumer, industry and public policy issues to inform the team's work to scale financial innovations
- Creatively problem-solve and collaborate with a small, results-oriented team to achieve strategic objectives.
- Write both online and print communication that describes the work, advocates for policy efforts and promotes dissemination of innovations.
- Contribute to a positive organizational culture through consistent high energy, appetite for learning, eagerness to support colleagues and engaged participation on project teams.
Qualifications

- Passion for the mission of Commonwealth and driving social change through promoting economic prosperity for financially vulnerable consumers.
- Exceptional organizational skills: you deliver quality work for multiple complex projects simultaneously and are comfortable with ambiguity.
- Excellent communication skills: you craft persuasive verbal and written communications for different audiences.
- Proven record of leadership in a work setting and/or through extracurricular activities.
- Introspection, empathy, willingness to be candid.
- Ability to develop solutions to problems creatively as they arise and the judgment to know when to call on colleagues or a supervisor for help.
- Experience collaborating with cross-functional teams and diverse groups of people; client services exposure a plus.
- Familiarity with financial technology innovations and low- and middle-income consumers a plus.
- 5-7 years of work experience in a relevant field such as financial empowerment or financial services, or a bachelor’s degree and 1-3 years of relevant experience.

To Apply

Please send your resume, cover letter, and salary expectations to resumes@buildcommonwealth.org and put “Innovation Strategist-Accelerator” in the subject line. This position is open immediately. Candidates will be reviewed on a rolling basis. No phone calls.

*Commonwealth offers a competitive salary and benefits, commensurate with experience and skills.*

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