

Charles Katzenmeyer, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, The Field Museum

Charles Katzenmeyer is Vice President for Institutional Advancement at The Field Museum. In this role, he oversees museum-wide development, government relations and a membership community of 50,000 households. From 2002 to 2013, he was senior vice president for external affairs at the Adler Planetarium.

Previously, Mr. Katzenmeyer was the chief development officer at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History, the most visited museum in the world. Earlier in his career, he served as campaign director at The Field Museum and held development positions at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, the American Bar Association and Northwestern University, all in Chicago.

Mr. Katzenmeyer received an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University, where he also attended college. He has recently concluded his term as president of the Northwestern Alumni Association and member of the University's Board of Trustees. In May, he will begin a term as chair of the Development and Membership Professional Network of the American Alliance of Museums. Additional current volunteer commitments include House Corporation Board President for Delta Tau Delta Fraternity at Northwestern. He has been active in the past with AboutFace Theatre Company, American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois, Association of Fundraising Professionals, Chicago House & Social Service Agency, Cloud 42 Theatre Company, Council for Advancement and Support of Education, Doorways (St. Louis, MO), Howard Brown Health Center, Inspiration Corporation, Roycemore School and Steppenwolf Theatre Company.