

Vin Ko Program Manager St. Louis Mosaic Project

Vin Ko joined the St. Louis Mosaic Project as Program Manager at the beginning of 2015. As Program Manager, Vin ensures the success of Mosaic's targeted programs by managing and supporting the over 600 Mosaic Ambassadors, regional entrepreneurs, and international student initiatives in St. Louis. Under the leadership of Executive Director Betsy Cohen, he leverages targeted digital media campaigns to grow the

Mosaic's many initiatives. Vin's professional experience and dedication to our international community plays a crucial role in supporting the Mosaic Project's goal of making St. Louis the fastest growing major region for immigration by 2020.

Prior to this, Vin worked at Mary Institute and St. Louis Country Day School (MICDS) in their Alumni and Development office where he helped secure a \$7-million-dollar lead gift. He also served as the Director of Operations for State Treasurer Clint Zweifel's successful reelection campaign in 2012. Born in St. Louis, Vin took part in the desegregation program where he was bussed into the St. Louis City Public Schools until his sophomore year, in which he transferred and graduated from Ladue High School. He attended college in California, graduating from the University of California Santa Barbara with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science.

Since moving back to St. Louis in 2010, Vin has started and grown a local pick up soccer organization known as St. Louis Pick Up Soccer, growing the group of about 40 people to over 4,000 members playing all over the region. Vin was a member of the FOCUS St. Louis Emerging Leaders Program, TEDxGatewayArch Leadership Board, and FBI Citizens Academy. In addition, Vin also serves on the Ladue Education Foundation Board, The St. Louis Civic Pride Foundation Executive Board, The Downtown STL Inc. Board of Directors, the Asian American Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and the Advisory Board for Peter and Paul Community Services' Club Soccer Team, "The St. Louis Roadies."