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## Board Match Program

*for Individuals*

**At the Center, we believe strong nonprofits make stronger communities.**

The Center for Nonprofit Advancement has created a **Board Match** Program to facilitate relationship building between interested individuals and organizations that are in need of new perspectives on their Board of Directors.

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[nonprofitadvancement.org](http://nonprofitadvancement.org)

### Step One:

Complete and submit the attached application form. This form asks questions pertaining to your background and interests.

### Step Two:

All applications are reviewed by a panel of experts to make the best quality matches between the individuals and the nonprofit organizations. If any additional information is needed, follow up questions may occur at this stage.

### Step Three:

Approved individual applicants will receive a minimum of three vetted nonprofit organizations that fit the needs submitted. Individuals are then responsible for independent research in order to rank these three organizations in order of preference.

### Step Four:

The Center will facilitate an introduction between the organization and the individual, and recommend next steps.

### Required

All applicants are required to attend the Center's **Board Basics A to Z** course. Offered multiple times a year, this one-day training provides a fundamental baseline for anyone hoping to serve on a nonprofit board. The course can be attended anytime during the application/review process, but must be completed prior to placement on a board.

*No timeline or match is guaranteed in this process. Formal board placement will be the responsibility of the two parties. The Center will check in quarterly during year one.*

### Fee:

\$150.00 (includes application fee and registration for Board Basics A to Z)

Email application (fee will be invoiced) to:

[taylor@nonprofitadvancement.org](mailto:taylor@nonprofitadvancement.org)

Or mail application and check to:

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# Board Match

## Application for Individuals

Are you interested in becoming a board member for a nonprofit organization? The benefits of being on a board include expanding your professional network, being involved in your community, and gaining first hand experience in nonprofit governance. The Center's Board Match Program is designed to facilitate relationship building between interested individuals and organizations that are in need of good governance, fresh ideas and new perspectives on their Board of Directors. Please complete the form below so that we can get a better feel for who you are and what type of organization you are interested in joining.

### Personal Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

- Have you ever served on a Board of Directors before?  YES  NO
- Are you serving on any boards now?  YES  NO

If so, which organizations? \_\_\_\_\_

### Board Service Criteria Checklist

- Are you willing to attend a minimum of four meetings per year?  YES  NO  
\* This number does not include individual committee meetings.
- Are you willing to serve on a Board for a minimum of two to three years?  YES  NO
- Are you able to financially contribute to the organization?  YES  NO  
\* All organizations have varied Board member give and get responsibilities.
- Are you able to participate in or attend programs or events hosted by the organization?  YES  NO
- Are you willing to take on the fiduciary responsibilities of governing an organization?  YES  NO

### Board Service Diversity

Board diversity is a top priority for nonprofits to ensure all perspectives and communities served are represented. Attributes that organizations factor into their decision include race/ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation and age. Check all that apply.

#### Ethnicity

- White / Caucasian
- Black / African American
- Hispanic / Latino
- Asian / Pacific Islander
- Native American
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Age

- 25 - 35
- 36 - 50
- 51 - 60
- 61 - 75
- 75+

#### Gender

- Male
- Female
- Trans Male / Trans Man
- Trans Female / Trans Woman
- Genderqueer / Gender NonConforming
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Professional Experience or Skills

Some nonprofits are happy to receive help from anyone interested in their mission, while others are looking for specific types of expertise to strengthen their Board's capacity and qualifications. Let us know which areas you can offer support. Check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting / Finances      | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Management         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership / Personal Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources            | <input type="checkbox"/> Capacity Building                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board Governance           | <input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising                | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing / Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                      |

• Do you speak a foreign language? if so, please tell us which: \_\_\_\_\_

### Mission Areas

A board member of an organization should have passion in the work that they do and be interested in helping to fulfill the mission. Check off all the types of organizations below that you would enjoy working with.

- Arts, Culture, and Humanities
- Civil Rights / Advocacy / Legal
- Health Care / Mental Health
- Education / Youth
- Development / Employment
- Religion-related
- Environment / Animal related
- Research: Science / Tech / Social Science
- Human Services / Housing & Shelter / Food
- Community Improvement / Philanthropy / Public and Societal Benefit
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Location Preference

The Center serves all of Washington, DC, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties in Maryland, and the entire Commonwealth of Virginia. Some of our members are based in this area but have programs/clients all over the United States and abroad. If you have a special interest in serving in a specific area check all that apply.

- NW Washington, DC
- NE Washington, DC
- SW Washington, DC
- SE Washington, DC
- Montgomery County, MD
- Prince George's County, MD
- Northern Virginia
- Other Area of Virginia
- National
- International

### Organization budget

Some new nonprofit organizations have small budgets and have many different fundraising needs, while others are more established or have a larger donor base. Budget size of a nonprofit helps to determine how many paid employees they have and how far-reaching their programs can be. What is your preferred organization budget size?

- \$0 - \$500,000
- \$500,000 - \$1 Million
- \$1 Million - \$2 Million
- \$2 Million - \$5 Million
- \$5 Million - \$10 Million

- I understand that this information will only be used to match me with a potential nonprofit organization. I have answered all questions truthfully and honestly.
- I have included my resume and bio with this form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date