

Roles and Responsibilities of Members of the Board of Directors

Leadership

Be knowledgeable about the philanthropic community and the fund-raising process and participate fully to advance the philanthropic position of the organization.

Oversight

Provide strategic direction to the development of short and long range fund development plans that will address the organization's and the community's immediate, intermediate, and long-term needs.

Fiduciary

Develop realistic, achievable, and measurable financial goals based on real and anticipated needs with an emphasis on operating projects and program initiatives that advance the organization's mission. Assure their realization.

Governance

Ensure that the development policies, procedures, budgets, and program efforts are consistent with organization's goals and best practice. Manage these programs with efficiency and effectiveness.

Stewardship

Ensure that all philanthropic resources are allocated according to donor intent and in the best interest of the people served by the organization.

Advocacy

Serve as a liaison to constituents, stakeholders, and the community at large, advocating the organization's roles in providing critical services throughout the community.

Community Outreach

Lead the efforts to involve the community in organization's mission and vision. Identify, cultivate, and enlist other key community leaders in the philanthropic process.

Teamwork

Attend all board and committee meetings and be an active participant in all discussions and activities. Actively support all fund-raising events through attendance, and encourage others to participate and support the organization through volunteerism and philanthropic gifts.

Philanthropic Leadership

Demonstrate the importance of philanthropy at the organization by setting an example for others. Make a personally generous gift to the annual appeal.