

Lexington Community Development Group

Inaugural Board Application

The Lexington Community Development Group's primary purpose is to promote the wellbeing, growth and sustainability of the town and surrounding area. This application for the inaugural Board for this private nonprofit organization that is being established to provide grants for projects and development initiatives in the community.

Board Qualifications

Selection for the Board of Directors is on an annual basis in order to accomplish the vision, mission, and strategic goals of the Lexington Community Development Group. The inaugural Board will set the vision, mission and strategic goals.

Maintaining a strong and credible Board is critical to the future stability and strength of the Lexington Community Development Group. Candidates should meet some of the criteria listed below:

1. Representative of those being served in terms of factors such as knowledge & expertise, professional background, age, geography and community experience.
2. Commitment to the community through active involvement and support
3. A demonstrated understanding of vision of community growth and sustainability
4. Ability to provide positive influence
5. Represents segment of business, community or expertise not currently represented

BOARD ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Purpose, Roles and Responsibilities

Primary purpose of the Board is:

- Developing long-range strategic goals
- Development of objectives and strategies to accomplish goals.
- To provide an important link to the community.
- Set priorities

Key Board responsibilities are:

- Champion Mission and Vision by promoting the organization, its programs and ideals
- Support establishing and updating strategic direction
- Look ahead at changes in the environment to shape and support the strategic direction
- Guide the organization to ensure the following:
 - That the organization is accomplishing its mission.

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- That the organization has written objectives and goals designed to provide better programs and services.
- That the organization is measuring the effectiveness of goals and objectives.
- That planning and evaluation are an ongoing process.
- That the services and programs are getting the desired results.
- Ensuring the organization produces high quality offerings that meet community needs
- Ensuring the organization's financial health
- Ensuring the board's own effectiveness, efficiency, and creativity

Time Commitment for Inaugural Board – 30 to 40 hours annually

- Monthly Board Meeting
- Additional hours for specific projects or leadership responsibilities
- Vision / Mission Development
- Board and Leadership Training & Development
- Strategic Planning Retreat
- Support for grant cycles
- Operation aspects for the organization by an all-volunteer board

Term

The term of office for Board of Directors shall be three years. A Director may be re-elected for an additional three year term.

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BOARD APPLICATION

Name: _____ Date: _____

Occupation / Title: _____

Organization/Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please include a resume or CV with your application. (Optional)

Special Skills/Expertise (Mark all appropriate items)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth | <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grants | <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Structure & Governance | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations / Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Professional Background

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| <input type="checkbox"/> For profit business | <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nonprofit organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Student |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Demographic Information

Lexington Community Development Group uses this information to gauge its effectiveness in recruiting a diverse group of volunteers.

Gender:

- Male
 Female

Age Range

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 25–34 years old | <input type="checkbox"/> 55–64 years old |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 35–44 years old | <input type="checkbox"/> Over 65 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 45–54 years old | |

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1. Please describe your experience in working on nonprofit or other boards, coalitions, commissions, advisory bodies, etc.

1. Are you currently serving on any other Boards? If yes, please list.

2. Please describe your professional role and how it relates to the Lexington Community Development Group and supporting the organization.

3. Please describe your interests with the focus of Lexington Community Development Group?

4. Please describe the goals and objectives you would like to accomplish as a member of the Lexington Community Development Group Board.

5. Please include other information that is relevant to serving on the Board