

Role Description: Director; Board of Directors

ONN Overview:

Vision

We envision that communities are thriving because people are connected, well-resourced and effecting change for the public good.

Mission

ONN's mission is to connect, strengthen and advocate with and for the nonprofit sector in Ontario.

Values

We value reciprocity and collective action as we seek to catalyze solutions and make systemic change(s) that allow the nonprofit sector to support thriving communities.

Reciprocity: All our work is based on relationships. We invest our resources, our time and our energy in building mutually beneficial relationships with our people, our network, partners and stakeholders including governments.

Collective action: We are stronger when we work together. We share as much as we can. We convene and elevate the voices of our network.

The Board of Directors is made up of a range of seven (7) to eleven (11) volunteer Directors, representing various organizations and perspectives of the nonprofit sector across Ontario. Interviews will be held in August, with recommended candidates to be elected at our Annual General Meeting in September. We are looking to recruit one (1) to five (5) new Directors.

Responsibilities:

- Understand ONN's vision, mission and values
- Participate in planning and visioning
- Areas of Board responsibility: policy, finances, communications

Board of Directors Meetings/Events

- Attends Board meetings (5 per year, mix of in person and online) and Annual General Meeting (annually in September, online)
 - Please note expenses for regional Board Member travel to Toronto (hotel + plane/train/mileage) will be reimbursed based on ONN's travel expenditures policy
- Reviews the Board financial package, prepared by staff, in advance of distribution to the Board

Qualifications:

- Demonstrated commitment to the mission and values of ONN
- Non-profit leadership skills
- Personal time availability
- Proficient use of Zoom and Google Drive to attend meetings and access Board packages/documents

We encourage candidates with the following qualifications to apply, but these are not mandatory:

- Government relations/Advocacy/Communications experience
- Strategic thinking + Change management
- Regional perspective from outside Toronto/GTA
- In a role outside of senior leadership/Executive Director
- Nonprofit experience in sub-sectors outside of social services (e.g. arts + culture, sports, etc.)
- Youth representation

Terms of Office

- The term for a board member is three years, and the maximum term is nine years (three consecutive terms of three years).
- Board members are elected each year at an Annual General Meeting held in September, or appointed by the Board of Directors to fill any vacancies in the interim.
- Executive positions (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer) are held for a minimum of 2 years and maximum term of four years (two consecutive terms of two years).

Time Commitment

- Board meetings are held five (5) times per year, approximately bi-monthly in January, March, June, September, and November with a time, date, and place to be approved by the membership of the Board (approximately 3 hour meeting time with 2 hour preparation and/or follow-up activities).
 - Two meetings (March + September) are often held in-person, with the remainder held virtually on Zoom.

Benefits

- Opportunity to share leadership experience and professional skills to contribute to strengthening Ontario's nonprofit sector
- Development of new skills in the areas of public policy and advocacy; attend sector wide events, such as Nonprofit Driven, webinars, etc.
- Meet new colleagues, peers and enjoy networking opportunities

Evaluation

- Assessment of Board meeting process and self assessments to be developed at the discretion of the Board and Executive.

ONN is committed to racial justice and truth and reconciliation. We encourage Black, Indigenous, and racialized candidates to apply for this position. We also encourage applications from gender-diverse candidates and persons with disabilities.

Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.

How to Apply:

Send your resume + short cover letter/paragraph (attached as a PDF) indicating why you are interested in joining ONN's Board of Directors to info@theonnc.ca no later than **Thursday, July 25, 2024**. Please make the email subject line "ONN Board of Directors Application."

Virtual interviews will be scheduled with selected candidates between August 7-16. Recommended candidates will be brought to the Board and AGM in September.