



Prospective Board Member Application

Abundance of Hope Center (AofH) is a 501 (c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to providing equitable, culturally competent, holistic and person centered homelessness prevention to our most At Risk Youth ages 12-25.

The purpose of this application is to permit current members of the AofH Board to select the best Board Members for service to AofH and the At-Risk Youth of the Community.

Applicants interested in serving as a board member for AofH should first read and understand the expectations and rules of Board Membership, read and understand the By-Laws, and submit a completed application via the Abundance of Hope website, email to info@aofhcenter.org or in person.

Abundance of Hope Center Board Member Expectations:

- Support AofH mission statement.
- Work as a positive team member with fellow Board Members and AofH staff in equitable and innovative solutions.
- Be passionate about At-Risk youth.
- Be unsatisfied with the status quo.
- Share skills and expertise.
- Respect and support the majority decision of the Board.
- Actively participate in Board meetings, actions, fundraisers and public events.
- Volunteer and assist in AofH's youth engagement programs and activities.
- Understand and implement AofH's Holistic approach in all decisions.
- Have no more than three (3) consecutive unexcused absences from board meetings and/or activities.
- Represent all those whom this organization serves.
- Remain vigilant of the activities that are planned and make yourself available to participate.
- Declare conflicts of interest as it pertains to your position on the Board and abstain from voting when appropriate.
- Do your best to ensure that Abundance of Hope Center is well-maintained, financially secure, growing and always operating in the best interest of the youth.

Abundance of Hope Center Board of Director conduct:

- Board Members will refrain from criticizing fellow Board members or their opinions in or out of the Board meetings.
- Board members will not use the organization for personal advantage or that of friends or relatives.
- Board Members will not discuss any of the confidential proceedings of the Board outside the Board room.

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If you are accepted as an AofH Board Member, you will be required to obtain and submit records of a full criminal background check.

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Date: _____

Information

1. Candidate Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

2. Current Position: _____

Current Employer: _____

Work phone: _____

3. Relevant Experience/Employment: Please Attach Resume.

4. Please circle area(s) of expertise/contribution you feel you can make to further the mission of AofH:

Youth Outreach/Advocacy

Graphic Design / Technology

Education / Instruction

Non-profit Experience

Finance /Accounting

Grant writing

Youth Programs / Events

Personnel / Human Resources

Public Relations

Fundraising

Community Service

Other: _____

Program Evaluation

Policy Development Service

Other: _____

Strategic Planning

Learning Social Media /
Communications

Other : _____



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5. Please list boards and committees that you serve, or have served on (business, civic, community, fraternal, political, professional, recreational, religious, and social). Include Organization, role in the organization and duration of service:

6. List any other volunteer commitments you currently have:

7. What experience do you have working with youth between the ages of 12 and 26?

8. Why are you interested in serving as a Board Member for AofH?

9. How do you feel AofH would benefit from your involvement on the Board?

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10. Please list any groups, organizations or businesses that you could serve as a liaison on behalf of AofH:

11. Please share any other information you feel important for consideration of your application to serve as a AofH Board member:

12. Please share your understanding of Institutional racism

13. Please share your understanding of "Antiblackness"

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14. What is your vision for your community?

15. Please review and respond to the following questions. Use a separate sheet as necessary.

A. Are you aware of any information about yourself, which might tend to reflect unfavorably on your reputation, morals, character or ability as a board member for AofH?

_____ yes _____ no if yes and would like to explain, use a separate sheet of paper.

B. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

_____ yes _____ no if yes and would like to explain, use a separate sheet of paper.

C. Have you ever been convicted of a controlled substance offense?

_____ yes _____ no if yes and would like to explain, use a separate sheet of paper.

D. Have you ever been convicted of a sex-related crime?

_____ yes _____ no if yes and would like to explain, use a separate sheet of paper.

16. Supplement Questions

A. Are you willing and able to attend board meetings? _____ yes _____ no

B. Are you willing to interact with parents, children, and fellow board members with professionalism and respect? _____ yes _____ no

C. Are you willing to uphold the responsibilities assigned to you? _____ yes _____ no

By signing below, I attest that the information I have provided is true and correct. Additionally, my signature represents my agreement to the following statements: I understand and agree to the Abundance of Hope Center Board of Directors Expectations; I agree to participate pursuant to the Policies, Procedures and Bylaws of

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Abundance of Hope Center; and I understand that if conflicts prevent me from performing the rules and expectations as a Board Member, I may be removed from the Board by a majority vote.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Thank you very much for completing this application.

For Abundance of Hope Center Board Use

_____ Nominee has had a personal meeting with an existing Board Member.	Who? Date: _____
_____ Nominee reviewed by the committee.	Date: _____
_____ Nominee proposed to the Board.	Date: _____
_____ Board Action Elected Rejected	Date: _____