

Job Description VOLUNTEER BOARD MEMBER

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Start Me Up Niagara is seeking dedicated and experienced individuals to fill vacancies on our Board of Directors, beginning in September, 2025.

Start Me Up Niagara is a dynamic non-profit organization that provides programs and services individuals facing poverty-related challenges such as homelessness, trauma, unemployment, compromised mental health, and substance use. We strive to create safe, healthy, and inclusive communities for all.

BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE EXPECTED TO:

- Attend monthly Board meetings.
- Actively participate in standing and ad hoc committees of the Board as needed.
- Become informed about the programs and services SMUN offers and the population SMUN serves.
- Represent Start Me Up Niagara positively in the community.
- Support the objectives of the organization.
- Support the work of the Executive Director.
- Maintain confidentiality.
- Commit to serve for a three (3) year term, renewable once.
- Work as part of a team.

OUR CURRENT NEEDS:

The Board of Directors provides oversight, sets the strategic direction of the organization and is accountable for organizational results. We aspire to have a Board of Directors that is diverse, inclusive and representative of the community that we serve. Special emphasis will be placed on candidates with the following experience:

- Not-for-Profit Board Governance
- Finance
- Administrative, especially meeting minute-taking.

COMMITMENT:

The Board meets ten (10) times per year. Board members can expect to devote 3-5 hours per month, which includes preparing for and attending Board and Committee meetings and attending occasional SMUN functions and events.

To build a strong and representative workforce, we encourage interest from BIPOC, LGBTQ2S+ people, newcomers, persons with disabilities or other marginalized communities.

Please send your resume to our Board Chair, Paul Miller at: paulridleymiller@gmail.com

*We thank all candidates for their interest in advance.
Due to volume we will only be contacting those selected for an interview.*