



BOARD OF TRUSTEES SELECTION CRITERIA

Basic Criteria

- Must be over 18 years of age
- Must have experience and/or skill in one or more of the following:
 - Accounting
 - Arboriculture
 - Banking
 - Business/Corporate
 - Environmental
 - Fundraising
 - Governance
 - Human Resources
 - Information Systems
 - Insurance
 - Investment
 - Legal
 - Marketing/PR
 - Media
 - Nonprofit management
 - Planning
 - Ability to give funds
 - Ability to get funds
 - Access to potential volunteers
- Must be familiar with nonprofit finances and budgets, the duty of care, and the fiduciary responsibilities of nonprofit boards
- Expected to have a basic understanding of how nonprofits operate and evolve over time

Note: Preference will be given to individuals who have knowledge and expertise related to the foundation's mission.

Valued Character Traits

- Passion for the foundation's mission and for improving arboriculture and urban forestry
- Commitment to the public interest
- Ability and willingness to commit to the board's expectations for service
- Ability to view grant seekers and grantees as partners
- Impartiality
- Excellent listening skills
- Ability to work with other board members as a team
- A sense of humor
- The creativity and vision to see beyond current possibilities and sometimes take considered risks