

## **Karis Community**

### **Seeking Member for the Board of Directors**

#### **Karis Community's Mission**

To provide a transitional community living opportunity for restoring basic life skills and improving the social well-being of individuals recovering from serious and persistent mental illness.

For more information, please visit [www.kariscommunity.org](http://www.kariscommunity.org).

#### **Position**

The Board will support the work of Karis Community and provide mission-based leadership and strategic governance. While day-to-day operations are led by Karis' Executive Director (E.D.), the Board/E.D. relationship is a partnership, and the appropriate involvement of the Board is both critical and expected. Service on Karis' Board of Directors is without remuneration.

#### **Specific Board Member responsibilities include:**

##### **Leadership, governance, and oversight**

- Serve as a trusted advisor to the E.D. as she develops and implements Karis' strategic plan.
- Partner with the E.D. and other Board Members to complete strategic plan.
- Review agenda and supporting materials before board meetings.
- Approve Karis' annual budget, audit reports, and business decisions.
- Contribute to a yearly performance evaluation of the E.D.
- Assist the E.D. and Board President in identifying and recruiting new Board Members.
- Act as an ambassador for the organization.
- Ensure Karis' commitment to a diverse board and staff reflects the communities Karis serves.

##### **Fundraising**

- Consider philanthropy a priority, making a yearly contribution commensurate with financial capacity.
- Regularly review personal networks to identify potential donors, in-kind donors, and sponsors.
- Promote and encourage participation in events and campaigns.

##### **Board terms/participation**

Karis' Board Members will serve a three-year term to be eligible for re-appointment for one additional term. Ten (10) board meetings are held each year.

##### **Qualifications**

Serving on Karis' Board is an extraordinary opportunity for an individual passionate about Karis' mission and who has a track record of volunteer work.

##### **Ideal candidates will have the following qualifications:**

- Extensive professional experience with significant leadership accomplishments.
- A commitment to philanthropy and the ability to contribute financially in a meaningful way.
- Savvy diplomatic skills and a natural affinity for cultivating relationships.
- Personal qualities of integrity, credibility, and a passion for improving the lives of those managing serious and persistent mental illness.

Interested candidates should submit a resume to Annie Wharton at [annie@kariscommunity.org](mailto:annie@kariscommunity.org).