CoC BOARD MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

Who can be selected as a CoC Board Member?

Any individual CoC member in good standing may apply for an open Board position by responding to the Call for Applications and submitting, by the posted deadline, a/an:

- Completed a Board Member Application;
- Brief biographical summary or resume;
- **Personal statement** summarizing the perspective(s) that the nominee would bring to the CoC Board; and
- Letter of Recommendation from a SB CoC member organization or individual.

A member is considered in good standing if they have:

- At **least two years of experience** working or volunteering in the homeless sector or within the SB CoC;
- Been a **participant in at least 3 CoC related meetings/committees**, one of which was a general CoC Membership meeting; and
- A track record of a commitment to working to alleviate homelessness in the region.

Who cannot be selected as a CoC Board Member at this time?

- Individuals who are barred from conducting business with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- Individuals who have already served four or more years on the CoC Board (ICH) as a primary Board member including the past year. Individuals who previously served the CoC Board for four (4) or more years, will need to observe a one-year break prior to being eligible for being re-elected to the Board.

Who on the current Board can retain a seat on Board?

- Individuals who have not completed their first full two-year term as a primary Board Member, who wish to remain on the Board, will be retained in an at-large or other appropriate seat.
- Individuals who have served a full two-year term but have not served the second term can be nominated and elected to serve a second term.
- The current Board Chair will remain as a non-voting resource to the Board for a one year-Period member.
- The Collaborative Applicant, as a non-voting resource.

How are persons chosen to serve on the Board?

In general, the Collaborative Applicant will collect and conduct a threshold validation of the submitted applications and provide to the Ad Hoc Nominating Committee the full list of applicants with an indication as to if the candidate meets the minimum threshold requirements. The Nominating Committee will **review the list of applicants against the list of Board Member priorities and determine a slate of qualified applicants.** The summaries (including candidate biographies, applicants will be forwarded to the full CoC membership two (2) weeks prior to the meeting at which the election of new or reelected Board members will occur. See the Nomination and Selection Background document for details.