



Funders Together to End Homelessness

2023 Board of Directors Recruitment

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About Funders Together to End Homelessness

Funders Together to End Homelessness mobilizes its members to use philanthropy's voice, influence, and financial capital to end homelessness by creating and advancing lasting solutions that are grounded in racial and housing justice, driven by love and disruption, and centering people with lived expertise.

Funders Together to End Homelessness is the only philanthropic membership organization devoted to housing justice in the United States. We provide critical resources and learning and networking opportunities to our members to increase their knowledge, capacity, and effectiveness in both the individual and collective work around housing justice as a way to end homelessness and housing instability. Funders Together acts as a vehicle for members to be part of a broader movement and bring greater financial and intellectual resources to the work.

Our work brings philanthropy together around best practices and innovation to ensure investments are maximized as funders in communities around the United States work towards solutions to prevent and end homelessness.

Board of Directors Overview

The Funders Together to End Homelessness (FTEH) Board of Directors reflects the geographic, experiential and cultural diversity of our membership and the movement to end homelessness. Directors bring their particular interest in the field of philanthropy and commitment to high standards of governance. Board terms are 3 years in length, and board members can serve up to two consecutive 3-year terms. (In some cases, a board member may serve beyond a second term, if serving in an officer role.) Term limits apply to individual members, not the organizations they represent.

Qualifications

- Directors must be from a philanthropic institution, United Way, or be an individual philanthropist. (Individual philanthropist is defined as one who gives at least \$50,000 annually toward homelessness and housing issues).
- Directors should preferably be from a philanthropic institution that does grantmaking in homelessness, housing, or other related system(s).

- Directors who begin a term on the FTEH board with a philanthropic institution, but then leave the field of philanthropy can finish their current FTEH Board term, except in extraordinary circumstances.

Service on the Board includes, but is not limited to:

- Regular attendance at and participation in board meetings, of which there are generally three to four per year, one of which is an in-person meeting.
- Knowledge of FTEH's [mission](#), programs and services
- Develop, monitor and implement [organization's strategic plan](#)
- Alignment with Funders Together's point of view and commitment to uphold the principles stated in our [Commitment to Racial Equity](#)
- Serve on at least one Standing Committee or Working Group (Executive, Finance, Membership, Program, Governance, Advocacy)
- Monitor FTEH's financial performance and ensure it is adequate for FTEH needs
- Advance the ethical and legal integrity of the organization and ensure accountability and good governance practices
- Actively participate in the learning and policy creation to achieve diversity, equity, and inclusion and advance racial equity in the homelessness field.
- Solicit feedback and information to guide the activities of FTEH
- Participate in and encourage other members to attend programs
- Make an annual personal financial contribution to FTEH. (There is no set minimum amount. The expectation is that your contribution be meaningful to you.)
- Actively engage in the outreach to recruit and retain members.

Specific Knowledge and Representation Desired

Directors are also recruited for specific competencies that add value to FTEH as it pursues its strategic priorities as named in our [Strategic Framework](#). Directors are expected to be committed to the growth and sustained health of FTEH, and to act as active ambassadors/proactive spokespersons for Funders Together within philanthropy. Funders Together has a stated [commitment to racial equity](#), and board members are expected to uphold these principles in their work. Funders Together also

We invite anyone to apply who has a commitment to advancing racial justice and housing justice.

We strongly encourage individuals to apply who:

- Identify as Black or Native and/or have lived experience of homelessness or housing instability,
- Are from the geographic South, the Northeast (specifically New York), or are from/fund in rural communities,
- Fund organizing and activism; fund nationally or national-level work; and/or work at a community foundation, United Way, or corporate funding institution, and/or
- Possess deep national and/or local policy knowledge.

2023 Board of Directors Recruitment Process

Funders Together is looking to add 3-4 new members to our Board of Directors by the end of 2023 through active recruitment from its existing network and an open recruitment process.

Timeline and Process

- **Application:** Funders Together will receive applications from interested candidates through 5pm ET on September 1, 2023.
- **Interviews:** Qualified candidates will have conversations with the board and CEO between August 1 and September 22, 2023.
- **October Board Meeting:** Final candidates will be asked to attend our virtual October board meeting on October 2 from 12pm – 3pm ET (9am – 12pm PT). *If you are applying to join the Board of Directors, we ask that you please hold this time on your calendar now.*

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