

Board Member Job Description

EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO Member of the Board of Directors

Mission

EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO Nonprofit's mission is to explore how our choices today shape our communities tomorrow.

For more information, please visit EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO's website at www.embracecolorado.com.

Position

The Board will support the work of EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO and provide mission-based leadership and strategic governance. While day-to-day operations are led by EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO's executive director (ED), the Board-ED relationship is a partnership, and the appropriate involvement of the Board is both critical and expected. Specific Board Member responsibilities include:

Leadership, governance and oversight

- Develops and implements EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO's strategic plan
- Reviews outcomes and metrics created by EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO for evaluating its impact, and regularly measuring its performance and effectiveness using those metrics; reviewing agenda and supporting materials prior to board and committee meetings
- Approves EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO's annual budget, audit reports, and material business decisions; being informed of, and meeting all, legal and fiduciary responsibilities
- Contributes to an annual performance evaluation of the ED
- Assists the ED and board Co-Chairs in identifying and recruiting other Board Members
- Partners with the ED and other board members to ensure that board resolutions are carried out
- Serves on committees or task forces and taking on special assignments
- Represents EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO to stakeholders; acting as an ambassador for the organization
- Ensures EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO's commitment to a diverse board and staff that reflects the communities EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO serves
- Commits to developing a knowledge of regional planning and its importance including becoming familiar with successful regional models and developing a passion for its importance in Northern Colorado.

Fundraising

EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO Board Members will consider EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO a philanthropic priority and make annual gifts that reflect that priority. So that EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO can credibly solicit contributions from foundations, organizations, and individuals, EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO expects to have 100 percent of Board Members make an annual contribution that is commensurate with their capacity.

Board terms/participation

EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO's Board Members shall hold office until the next annual meeting and thereafter until his successor shall have been elected and qualified, or until his earlier death, resignation or removal. Board meetings will be held monthly and committee meetings will be held in coordination with full board meetings.

Qualifications

This is an extraordinary opportunity for an individual who is passionate about EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO's mission and who has a track record of board leadership. Selected Board Members will have achieved leadership stature in business, government, philanthropy, or the nonprofit sector. His/her accomplishments will allow him/her to attract other well-qualified, high-performing Board Members.

Ideal candidates will have the following qualifications:

- Extensive professional experience with significant executive leadership accomplishments in business, government, philanthropy, or the nonprofit sector
- A commitment to and understanding of Northern Colorado's challenges and opportunities
- Savvy diplomatic skills and a natural affinity for cultivating relationships and persuading, convening, facilitating, and building consensus among diverse individuals and interests
- Personal qualities of integrity, credibility, and a passion for improving the lives of the citizens and communities of Northern Colorado

Service on EMBRACE NORTHERN COLORADO's Board of Directors is currently without remuneration.