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Help connect your community with the NCF Board of Directors

National Capital FreeNet (NCF) is a local, not-for-profit internet service provider committed to digital equity. Since 1992 we have connected more than 100,000 members.

We believe that everyone in Canada's National Capital Region should have access to the internet and related technologies, meaning they can afford a high-quality connection, understand how to use it, and feel safe online.

As a social enterprise, we invest in bandwidth and community services, keeping prices as low as we can while staying sustainable.

We currently serve almost 5000 members. We sell high speed internet up to 1024 Mbps speed with unlimited usage, offer ad-free locally-hosted email, basic web hosting, skills workshops, and more. We have an award-winning HelpDesk of staff and volunteers to help our members with a range of internet and computer-related issues.

In 2017 we launched our Community Access Fund, including a low-cost unlimited usage internet package for Ottawa Community Housing tenants.

NCF is owned by its members, who nominate and elect the Board of Directors during each year's online Annual General Meeting.

Position: Board Member (Several vacancies)

In recruiting for Board members, we aim to reflect the diversity of our community and especially encourage members of groups under-represented in technology and community leadership to run.

We are also looking for a range of skills and lived experiences, including with not-for-profits and volunteers, human resources, law, communications, sales and marketing, business, social services, public education, technology, accounting, fundraising, event planning, arts and culture, and more.

Collectively, NCF's 11 board members will have the experience to recognize and approve plans and strategies that will move NCF toward its goals.

NCF has a governance board, where day-to-day operations are handled by staff and volunteers, under the management of the Executive Director. The Board sets the mission, vision, principles, and broad policies that guide the Executive Director. The Board is responsible for employing

and evaluating the Executive Director, and for monitoring macro parameters that measure the operation of NCF.

Board Meeting Location and Time: Currently, NCF Board meetings are virtual, but we anticipate moving to a hybrid online and in-person office. NCF's office is in the west-end (1305 Richmond Rd); 7pm-9:00pm, generally held on the last Tuesday of each month.

Term: 3 years, from June, 2022-May, 2025

Time Requirement: 4-6 hours per month

This position is covered by Director's Liability Insurance.

Deadline: Monday, May 30th, 2022 to be reviewed at the May 31st Board meeting.

Directors will be elected at the AGM, which runs from Wednesday, June 8th until Wednesday, June 15th.

If you are interested, please send an email to nominations@ncf.ca with your CV, and include your answers to the following questions:

1. What skills will you contribute to the NCF Board?
2. What are the most important functions of NCF for its members?
3. Why do you want to be an NCF director?

If you have additional questions about the position, please contact the Nominations Committee at nominations@ncf.ca.