



COMMUNITY MEMBERS COMING TOGETHER TO FILL IMPORTANT POSITIONS ON LOCAL BOARDS

If you are a nonprofit needing volunteers to fulfill governance roles or an individual looking to serve the community using your professional skills, the Board Bank is your answer.



What is the Board Bank?

United Way of Larimer County's Volunteer Center recruits and trains community professionals to serve as board and committee members. The Board Bank program matches volunteers' interests with a variety of board opportunities and assists in matching volunteers with the needs of local nonprofits. Currently, there are more than 40 nonprofits in Larimer County that need skilled, passionate and enthusiastic volunteers to serve on their boards.

How does the Board Bank work?

1. Nonprofits and volunteers submit their applications to participate in the program.
2. Volunteers attend a training session to learn more about expectations and responsibilities of serving on a board.
3. Volunteers select the nonprofits they are interested in serving on.
4. Nonprofits will then contact the volunteers to schedule interviews.

For Nonprofits

Our Volunteer Center recognizes that board leadership is critical for the success of nonprofit organizations. We serve Larimer County agencies who want to increase their board capacity. Through our Board Bank program we offer assistance in recruiting and training volunteers for positions on board of directors and committees, free of charge.

As a Board Bank agency member you will receive:

- Exposure to a skilled, interested, and diverse selection of candidates
- Trained community volunteers
- Reduced time and resources spent on recruiting qualified board members
- Improved board and agency efficiency in filling leadership needs

“Thanks to Board Bank, the volunteers we received had a good general expectation and a sense of how boards work and were ready to serve.”

– **Linda Preston**, Executive Director of B.A.S.E. Camp, a nonprofit providing year-round childcare enrichment services throughout Larimer County.

For Volunteers

For individuals interested in volunteering, board membership is an opportunity to connect your goals and aspirations to nonprofit organizations, making an impact on our community's most pressing needs. Serving as a board member not only offers the opportunity to use your unique talents to be more effective but also provides an environment for professional development, building leadership skills and personal and professional networking.

As a Board Bank candidate you will receive:

- A comprehensive two-hour training (sessions are held quarterly throughout the year)
- An understanding of the basic responsibilities and expectations of nonprofit boards
- Connections to nonprofit agencies with board vacancies
- Information about other board development classes
- A book outlining the basic responsibilities of board members

“As a result of my training through Board Bank, I became better versed in the expectations of committee members and learned how important structure is.”

– **Jeanette Meyer**, Steering Committee Member for the Mothers' Center of Fort Collins, a nonprofit outreach organization committed to raising the status of women as mothers.

Contact Information

Individuals interested in joining a board or nonprofit organizations looking for board members can be matched up through our Board Bank program. For more information, please visit our website, www.uwaylc.org or contact:

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The founding sponsor of the Board Bank program is First National Bank, a recognized leader of local community efforts, especially volunteerism.