



Board Member Job Description

Bring your skills to the Amara Legal Center and help make a difference! Amara is recruiting individuals to join the Board of Directors. We seek candidates who are passionate about our work to provide free, trauma-informed legal services to survivors of sex trafficking and sex workers in the DC-metropolitan area. Desired skills include nonprofit board experience, fundraising, financial management, accounting/finance background, event planning, communications, marketing, and knowledge of the commercial sex industry or a desire to learn. We strongly encourage individuals with lived experience and individuals from underrepresented groups to apply. We aim to foster a culture of inclusion where individual strengths, views, and experiences are respected and celebrated. We believe that our differences enable us to be a strong team.

If you are interested in a rewarding experience where you can make a difference, please complete our Board [application](#) today. For more information, please visit our website at www.amaralegal.org.

Board Member Responsibilities

- Prepare for, attend, and actively participate in quarterly board meetings
- Advance Amara's mission by promoting the organization's work in your personal and professional networks
- Understand and learn about the organization's mission, programs, needs, and overall purpose
- Fully engage in fundraising to identify and secure the financial resources necessary for the organization to advance its mission
- Meet/exceed annual \$1,000 "give/get" through a personal financial donation or other fundraising efforts
- Serve on at least one committee (Advancement, Governance, Executive, or Finance)
- Maintain regular and open communication with the board and Executive Director
- Recruit and onboard new board members
- Approve Amara's annual budget, audit reports, and material business decisions, in accordance with the board's fiduciary duties
- Partner with the Executive Director to ensure compliance with the organization's legal obligations
- Contribute to the annual performance evaluation of the Executive Director
- Maintain confidentiality about internal matters of the organization
- Respect the experiences of all who bring their voices and lived experiences to the board and the organization
- Attend Amara fundraising and awareness events

Desired Qualifications

- Passion for Amara's mission and commitment to Amara's client population
- Experience and/or expertise in fundraising, event planning, nonprofit governance/development, financial management, accounting, marketing, or related areas
- Strong network with connections to corporations, government, foundations, and other donors
- Enthusiasm and willingness to promote the organization through your network and to identify/cultivate relationships with new donors
- Leadership skills and experience in initiating and carrying out fundraisers or other projects
- Commitment to teamwork, communication, and professionalism

Amara's Board Members serve a three-year term with eligibility for re-appointment for additional terms. Service on Amara's Board of Directors is without remuneration.