



BOARD LEADERSHIP SERIES

The Foundation for MetroWest is pleased to offer our first-ever Board Leadership Series beginning in Fall 2019. We believe in the power of learning, and in fostering strong networks. Through our Center for Philanthropy Education, we prepare nonprofit and town agency leaders, board members, staff, and volunteers to think and operate strategically, effectively, and inclusively.

A combination of passion, skill, and engagement at the board level is crucial to the effectiveness of nonprofit organizations. However, not all board members have the same skillset when they step into their role. Our Board Leadership Series invests in individual board members to strengthen the capacity of our nonprofits, and in turn, strengthen our communities.

Program Description

The Board Leadership Series is a free four-session series that provides a basic understanding of the roles and responsibilities of board members, as well as the skills needed to be effective in the role. Through active engagement in the Board Leadership Series, participants can look to gain:

- A better understanding of the roles and responsibilities of nonprofit board members
- Knowledge of best practices in board fundraising, ambassadorship, recruitment, and staff management
- Increased awareness of other MetroWest nonprofit organizations
- An enhanced professional network

Program Structure, Expectations, and Eligibility

Participants are expected to attend four 2.5 hour sessions, all of which will be held at Foundation for MetroWest (3 Eliot Street, Natick) from 5:00pm – 7:30pm.

1. October 29th - Board expectations, structure, and legal and fiduciary responsibilities
2. November 19th - Board fundraising and ambassadorship
3. January 7th - Board communications and management
4. February 2020 (Exact date TBD) - Board recruitment and retention

An ideal participant will:

- Have served less than one full term on a MetroWest-serving nonprofit board.
- Represent a nonprofit organization with at least one full-time staff member
- Represent a nonprofit organization with a formal distinction between board and staff responsibilities

**Please note, because program curriculum is specifically designed for nonprofit board members, individuals representing town agencies are not eligible for this program.*

If you are interested in applying to the Board Leadership Series, please [schedule a phone interview](#). The purpose of these calls is to learn more about your experience and interest in the Board Leadership Series, as well as answer your questions about the program.

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