



## Board of Directors Application Form

Thank you for your interest in serving as a member of the Board of Directors of Friedens Community Ministries. Serving on the board is a rewarding experience and an opportunity for personal and professional growth. Completing this form will help you understand the skills and time/resource commitments of this leadership position. You may find it helpful to read through the entire application and Board Member Responsibilities before you begin filling it out.

Please return the completed application to Friedens Community Ministries, Attn: Sophia Torrijos, PO Box 5411, Milwaukee, WI 53205; or by email to [director@friedenspantry.org](mailto:director@friedenspantry.org).

This application will be kept confidential (available only to the Board and Executive Director). Applications are used by the Board's Nominating Committee to identify and evaluate potential board candidates. All new directors are elected by a majority vote of current board members.

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### BOARD MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Serves a minimum of one (1) three-year term on the Board. Eligible to serve two (2) consecutive three-year terms if re-elected.
2. Regularly attends Friedens events monthly (includes board meetings, committee meetings and Friedens programming). The full Board of Directors meets the last Tuesday of every month from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
3. Makes a serious commitment to participate actively in Friedens committee work. The Friedens BoD is a working board requiring about 2-4 hours per month of each member's time.
4. Stays informed about committee matters, is prepared for meetings, and reviews and provides feedback on minutes and reports.
5. Builds a collegial working relationship with other board members that contributes to consensus.
6. Participates in the board's annual evaluation and planning efforts.

7. Participates in the advancement of the strategic plan of Friedens, including fundraising and member recruitment.

### **CANDIDATE INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Role/Occupation/Vocation and Company/Organization (if applicable):

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Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Years Lived/Worked in Greater Milwaukee: \_\_\_\_\_ Years with Friedens: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational/Experiential Background:

Past Role/Occupation/Vocation(s) and Company/Organization(s) (if applicable):

Community Involvement/Activities:

Other Memberships, Achievements, etc:

Please indicate which of the following aspects of Board service align with your existing skills - check those that apply and underline any that you have particular interest in developing skills for:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board development    | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial management           | <input type="checkbox"/> Training                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strategic planning   | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing /<br>Communications  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recruiting / HR      | <input type="checkbox"/> Research & Evaluation          | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer management           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program development  | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal analysis /<br>Governance | <input type="checkbox"/> Facilities management          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Project management   | <input type="checkbox"/> Community networking           | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizing / Event<br>planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IT / Data management | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                          |   |
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Please list any of your other skill(s), personality trait(s), and interest(s) you believe would be beneficial to Board service?

### **BOARD CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE**

Briefly describe why you would like to join our Board of Directors.

What would you like to gain from your participation on the Board, e.g., what types of experiences, skills to develop, interests to cultivate for you, etc.?

Are you comfortable soliciting others for membership/participation and funding? \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, describe any experience(s) in doing so:

What does leadership mean to you?

What do you believe is one significant issue or problem facing Friedens and/or related to food access in Milwaukee?

Board members maintain involvement and support Friedens through meeting attendance, committee work, membership events, e-mail and other Friedens communications. If you join the Board, can you commit to allocating at least 2-4 hours a month to these purposes?

If you are not selected as a member of the Board, or if you decide not to join, would you like to be a volunteer in another capacity to assist our organization in ways that match your skills and interests?

Yes

No

Perhaps

Date\_\_\_\_\_