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2024 Board of Directors Application

Send completed application to: hsdcboardofdirectors@gmail.com

Thank you for your interest in serving on the Board of Directors for the Humane Society of Douglas County, Inc. (HSDC). Board members play an invaluable role in the lives of the shelter animals, the shelter staff, and the citizens of Douglas County.

The Board of Directors oversees the Fundraising and Events Coordinator and Shelter Director, guiding them through challenging decisions, policy adherence, grant support, document review, offering advice and providing thoughtful input. We recognize that leadership involves tough choices and responsibilities, but we find satisfaction in knowing our efforts positively impact the lives of animals most in need of assistance. The Board of Directors also volunteers at many HSDC events.

The Board of Directors Executive Committee prepares as much as possible ahead of time to streamline meetings and document reviews but there will be times during the year where they will need more assistance than usual from the entire board.

Please fill out the application below for us to get to know you and your skills better. The information you share here will help us select and maintain a Board with diverse skills and experiences. If you have a current resumé, please attach a copy so we have an overview of your background.

Name:

Address, include city, state and zip code:

Phone:

Email:

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Please provide a brief overview of your education and employment.

What is your experience with HSDC? (Mission, Goals, History, Current Board Members, etc.)

What special talent or expertise can you offer as a board member? (*Examples: Finance, Marketing/Public Relations, Law, Development/Fundraising, Humane Resources, Building Maintenance, Technology, Youth/Family Engagement, Small Business, Government/Public Sector, Non-Profit Governance, Healthcare, Veterinarian, Animal Welfare, Real Estate, Insurance*)

Fundraising:

Like many small non-profit organizations, HSDC relies significantly on the dedication of its board members, volunteers, and fundraising efforts. Our Board of Directors operates as a "working board," necessitating a minimum volunteer commitment of 15 hours annually at HSDC Fundraising Events. Please share how your contributions would strengthen our board in this capacity.

Are you interested in other volunteer opportunities at the shelter as well as the events?

What is your experience serving on a Board of Directors or an Organization Committee, for either non-profit or for profit? (*Examples: Committee Member, Board Member, Advisor*) Are you currently serving on a board? Have you served in the past? If so, how long? Are you currently serving in a leadership capacity?

The HSDC Board of Directors meets monthly on the third Tuesday at 5PM at the shelter. Attendance is required for a majority of the meetings unless otherwise excused by the Board Executive Team. Do you see any scheduling problems that might affect your attendance?

We do have the capability to have a virtual meeting once in a while. When a virtual meeting happens, will you be able to attend virtually?

Tell us about the pets in your life

What qualities make up the ideal pet owner

The work of HSDC often involves or intersects with many social issues such as income disparity, housing insecurity, homelessness, animal healthcare determinations, euthanasia and other ethical considerations. Do you have any strong feelings about any of the above categories you would like to share? If so, please share them below.

Extra:

To the extent not covered by your resumé and/or responses above, is there anything else about your skills, energy, passion for animals, time availability, and/or involvement in the community that you think would help you make a positive contribution to the HSDC Board of Directors?

Thank you for your interest in becoming an HSDC Board Member!