



# Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust

## Board of Directors

### Roles & Responsibilities – Fostering Collective Impact

The Greenway Trust **Board of Directors** models the broad Greenway coalition, bringing together leaders from environmental, business, government, and citizen interests. The Board works with a full range of stakeholders to achieve overarching goals for the Greenway landscape, the people who live here, and the connections between them.

The Board is made up of approximately 60 members who are elected to three-year terms at an annual meeting each June. A subset of the full Board serves on the Executive Committee, which functions as the primary governing body of the Greenway Trust and makes recommendations on legal, fiscal and operational matters. The full Board of Directors retains essential governance authorities as outlined in organizational bylaws.

Every member of the Greenway Board plays a critical role in helping the Greenway Trust achieve its goals and fulfill its mission. In addition to the governance function of the Board as a body, roles and responsibilities of individual board members include:

#### Devoting Time

- Seek to advance the mission, goals, vision and priority initiatives of the Greenway. Be familiar with the strategic plan and projects discussed in Board meetings. Look for ways to forge partnerships and create resources that will help us carry these goals forward.
- Act as ambassador for the Greenway by sharing the work of this organization with your connections, your social networks, and your friends and family. Make presentations or attend events as a representative of the Greenway Trust.
- Attend five board meetings per year.
- *Government employees and elected officials serve in an Ex-Officio capacity on the Board, and should assign a delegate to attend meetings and function in place of the board member if necessary.*

#### Sharing Talent

- Join a standing committee – Board Engagement, Program, Operations, or Fundraising – or any advisory committee or task force.
- Consider serving on the fundraising committee at some point during your board service (*excluding Ex-Officio board members*).
- Bring your specific skills and expertise to the organization. Examples include expertise in land conservation and land use, legal and financial, organizational development, strategic planning, program implementation, communications, legislative advocacy, public land management, and more.

#### Giving Treasure

- Make a meaningful personal contribution annually to the Greenway Trust
  - Make an annual gift that is meaningful to you to ensure 100% board giving
  - Serve as table captain at the annual Greenway Breakfast; invite guests to the Annual Dinner
  - Consider setting a personal fundraising goal and pursuing it through outreach to your contacts who are potential donors or sponsors
  - Host a house party or outdoor event in the Greenway
- Recruit a major private individual donor, corporate donor, or foundation to support the Greenway
- Organize a group volunteer event, outdoor outing, or Greenway presentation for your company

# Greenway Trust Governance Structure

**Board of Directors**

Executive Committee

## Standing Committees

Board Engagement

Fundraising

Operations

Program

## Advisory Committees

Board of Advisors

Technical Advisory Council

National Heritage Area planning

Explore the Greenway Events/  
30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Trek

Others as Board or Executive Committee may appoint

Middle Fork Coalition

Savor Snoqualmie Valley

Upper Yakima working groups

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