



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 a diverse group of 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 of Directors 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:

Sharing Time

- Seek to advance the Greenway's purpose, values, vision, and mission, included in the organizational Strategic Plan. Be familiar with the Plan and ongoing projects discussed in Board meetings. Look for ways to forge partnerships and assemble resources that will help us carry these projects forward.
- Act as ambassador for the Greenway by sharing the Greenway's work with your connections, social networks, friends, and family. Make presentations or attend events as a representative of the Greenway Trust.
- Attend all 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 as necessary.*

Sharing Talent

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

Sharing Treasure

- Set a personal fundraising goal and pursue it through outreach to your contacts.
- Make an annual monetary contribution that is meaningful to you to both financially support the Greenway Trust and help ensure 100% board giving.
- Serve as table captain at the annual Greenway Breakfast.
- Invite guests to the Annual Dinner.
- Consider recruiting private individual donors, corporate donors, or foundations to support the Greenway.
- Consider hosting a house party or organizing a group volunteer event, outdoor hike or outing, or Greenway presentation for your company.