

MICHIGAN TRAILS AND GREENWAYS ALLIANCE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATE APPLICATION

*Directions: Fill out this form and return it to MTGA along with a digital photograph from your shoulders to head to use for our election ballot. If you have any questions or concerns about your ability to serve, discuss them with the executive director before returning this form.*

Why do you want to serve on this board?

What expertise or special skills do you possess that would help this board function more effectively?

How would you share these skills?

Please give us a sentence or two on what you hope to accomplish during your term on the board?

Following is a list of duties for board members. Check off duties you know you have the time and skills to perform....

Knowledge and preparation

- Educate myself on the nonprofit, its history, goals, clients/constituency, staff, current situation, problems and needs
- Keep abreast of national, state and local trends that affect the nonprofit and its clients/constituency
- Education myself on the roles and responsibilities of the board as a whole, as well as those of individual board members

Participation:

- Participate in the tasks of the board
- Be an enthusiastic and knowledgeable voice for the nonprofit
- Serve actively on at least one committee; understand how committees relate to the board
- Act as an advocate for the nonprofit and the people we serve
- Contribute financially to the nonprofit/provide fund raising contacts/in-kind donations
- Participate in discussions at meetings; ask probing questions and seek relevant answers before voting
- Report to the board, in written or verbal form, as appropriate
- Recognize my role as a member of the team

***Please return by September 1, 2009***

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Board candidate's signature

Date

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Board member contact information (address, phone, e-mail)