



Auxiliary Board Overview 2018 Have-a-Heart Gala

About Housing Forward

Marking our 25th Anniversary, Housing Forward advanced into a leading provider of homeless programming in suburban Cook County. We offer a full continuum of programs designed to prevent and resolve homelessness, as well as address its underlying causes. The commitment to our mission, to transition people from housing crisis to housing stability, is as steadfast as ever.

With new funding and expanded partnerships, we increased our capacity to provide long-term housing for adults and families whose barrier to sustainable housing was due to a disabling condition. From 2014-2016 the number of permanent supportive housing units grew from 13 units to 166. As the number of individuals placed in permanent supportive housing continues to rise, the number of chronically homeless individuals using our shelter declines, indicating that our 'Housing First' approach to serving chronically homeless and/or disabled individuals is having a measurable impact within our service area.

Our Vision: the end of homelessness

Our Mission: to transition people from housing crisis to housing stability

Our Values:

- client-centered services delivered with dignity and respect
- collaborative relationships
- open communication and information-sharing
- community support
- integrity, passion, perseverance and the pursuit of excellence in our work

About the Auxiliary Board

The Auxiliary Board is an opportunity for you to participate in the fundraising efforts of Housing Forward while developing new skills and broadening professional and social circles. You'll be part of a passionate team of professionals & volunteers focused on the vision to end homelessness.

The Gala's silent auction is a vital part of the event's success and is expected to raise over \$20,000. Auxiliary Board members will participate in assignments such as: brainstorming innovative and unique auction experiences, soliciting local businesses for donations, pairing auction items for maximum bidding potential, picking up donated items, assembling baskets of smaller auction items, helping the day-of to set up auction areas as well as attending the Gala. We also have group meetings scheduled throughout the process to provide ongoing support and accountability. The majority of work can be completed remotely and is flexible according to your schedule.



Membership Benefits

- 1 ticket to the 2018 Have-a-Heart Gala
- Recognition in the event program, website and other event correspondence
- Exclusive networking opportunities with Housing Forward Board Members and supporters

Commitment

- Attend monthly meetings either in person or via conference call
- Participate in the fundraising efforts of the annual Have-a-Heart Gala's silent auction, including soliciting auction item donations and donor cultivation
- Serve as ambassadors in the community and connect Housing Forward to resources through your own network

Meeting Timeline

Date	Type	Meeting Purpose
July 2017	In-person or conference call	Review fundraising objectives and create item wishlist
August 2017	In-person or conference call	Review solicitation packets and assignments
September 2017	In-person	Open House- network with members from our Board of Directors, Associate Board and Friends of Housing Forward (optional)
October 2017	In-person or conference call	Progress update and problem solve challenges
November 2017	In-person or conference call	Progress update and bid sheet overview
December 2017	In-person or conference call	Progress update and online bidding training
January 2018	In-person	Create auction baskets
February 2018	In-person	Set-up auction and enjoy the Gala!



Interested? Please complete the following and return to:

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Name _____	Title _____	
Company/Organization _____		
Address _____	City _____	Zip Code _____
Cell Phone: _____	E-mail: _____	

Why do you want to be on Housing Forward's Auxiliary Board?

Please check ALL of the days and times that you are generally available to meet:

	Morning (8am-9am)	Afternoon (12-1pm)	Evening (7-8pm)
Monday	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Saturday	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sunday	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Thank you for your interest in Housing Forward's Auxiliary Board!