

HOW TO APPLY

Program Requirements

- Attendance is required at seven monthly sessions, 5:30-8:30 p.m., February through August 2025 at United Way of Central Oklahoma, plus a graduation ceremony in September 2025.
- Participants are expected to attend and actively engage in all sessions.
- Board Serve graduates are expected to accept placement on a United Way of Central Oklahoma Partner Agency board for at least one year.
- A one-time, non-refundable program fee of \$350 is required for each participant who is accepted.

Application Guidelines

- Complete the application form available at unitedwayokc.org/boardserve opening in September 2024.
- Include two reference letters, a personal biography and a headshot with application.
- Submit all application materials by October 18, 2024.

Selection Criteria

- Selection is based on the completed application and supplemental documents.
- Interviews may be requested.
- Applicants will be notified of selection by December 20, 2024.



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at unitedwayokc.org/boardserve
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BOARD SERVE

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Board Serve Central Oklahoma is a unique program of United Way of Central Oklahoma designed to improve nonprofit boards by recruiting, training and matching board members with nonprofit agencies.

The seven-month program provides professional training on topics including nonprofit board governance, leadership skills, nonprofit law, fundraising, crisis management and other critical skills needed to serve on a nonprofit board.

Upon completion of the program, each participant is matched with a United Way of Central Oklahoma Partner Agency to serve as a voting board member for at least one year.

Sessions are held one evening a month from 5:30-8:30 p.m., February through August, at United Way of Central Oklahoma.

BENEFITS

Nonprofit board service is a rewarding experience. By serving on the board of a nonprofit organization, you will:

- **Connect** with others who share your passion.
- Contribute your skills, expertise and access to resources to **strengthen** nonprofit organizations in central Oklahoma.
- **Support** and strengthen the community in which you live or work.
- Rally support and invite others to join you in **advocating** on behalf of the nonprofit's mission.
- Develop new skills and hone your **leadership** abilities.
- Expand your social and **professional** networks.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

We are looking for diverse individuals who are interested in becoming nonprofit board members. Individuals must meet the following criteria:

- Diversity in life experience, ethnicity, geographic location and profession, including expertise in any of the following fields: accounting, human resources, law, information technology, management/operations, marketing, public relations, fundraising, strategic planning and others. A minimum of three years of work experience in the area of expertise is preferred.
- Interest in and enthusiasm for board service and volunteerism.
- Willingness to participate in a three-hour training session each month for seven months learning the duties and responsibilities of board members, including fundraising and financial oversight.

Learn more at unitedwayokc.org/boardserve



Board Serve Class VII

United Way of Central Oklahoma is proud to partner with the best nonprofit organizations in our community. Through Board Serve, we can ensure that the rising generations of leaders are trained to assume roles as board members, guiding our Partner Agencies toward success for years to come. Board Serve graduates learn to become community-minded and impactful board members, and our nonprofit network is strengthened by their leadership. It's a win-win.

Shane Wharton
President, Love's Travel Stops
Board Chair-Elect, United Way of Central Oklahoma