



STRIDES THERAPEUTIC HORSEMANSHIP CENTER

Board of Directors Application

Thank you for your interest in serving as a member of the Strides Therapeutic Horsemanship Center Board of Directors. Serving on the board is a rewarding experience and an opportunity for personal and professional growth. Completing this form will help you understand the skills and time / resource commitments of this leadership position. You may find it helpful to read through the entire application and Board Member Responsibilities before you begin filling it out.

Please return the completed application to:

Strides Therapeutic Horsemanship Center

Attn: Board President

5426 N Rd 68 Suite D #204

Pasco, WA 99301

or by email to Strides@StridesTC.org

This application will be kept confidential and on file at the Strides office. Applications are used by the Board's Nominating Committee to identify and evaluate potential board candidates. All new directors are elected by a majority vote of current board members.

BOARD MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Serves a minimum of one (1) three-year term on the Board. Eligible to serve two (2) three-year terms if re-elected.
2. Attend a minimum of one (1) Strides events each month (includes board meetings, committee meetings and Strides events). Members are required to attend 10 board meetings per year unless excused by the President. The Full Board of Directors meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 6:30pm to 8pm and is required as directed by the Strides ByLaws.
3. Makes a serious commitment to participate actively in Strides committee work; each director chairs a committee as available.
4. Stays informed about committee matters, is prepared for meetings, and reviews and comments on minutes and reports.



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5. Builds a collegial working relationship with other committee members that contributes to consensus.
6. Participates in the advancement of the strategic plan of Strides including fundraising and member recruitment.
7. Must sign an annual board contract as well as the by laws established by Strides.

Vision Statement

To enhance and support the greater columbia river basin community including, but not exclusive to the Tri-Cities.

Values Statement

We lead with integrity, commitment, and compassion.

Mission Statement

Unlocking human potential by harnessing the power of a horse.



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Candidate Information

Name (first and last): _____ Title: _____

Company / Business: _____

Company Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Circle most appropriate: cell / work

Email: _____ Circle most appropriate: personal / work

Number of Years with Present Company: _____

Number of Years Lived or Worked in the Tri-Cities, WA community: _____

Educational Background:

Work History:

Community Activities / Involvement:



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Other Memberships, Achievements, etc:

What has been your Strides involvement to date:

How did you hear about Strides / were you referred or recruited by a particular person?

Anything else we should know or consider?



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BOARD CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

General:

1. If selected, how do you feel you could contribute to the success of Strides Therapeutic Horsemanship Center? What skills, connections, resources, and expertise do you have to offer and are willing to use on behalf of the organization?
2. What does leadership mean to you?
3. What makes our mission meaningful to you?
4. What motivates you?
5. What do you believe are the two most significant issues or problems facing Strides Therapeutic Horsemanship Center?
6. What are some of your prior board leadership experiences?



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Meetings and serving the Strides mission takes time:

7. Are you willing to give time, energy and resources to support the mission of Strides Therapeutic Horsemanship Center?

8. Members stay connected to Strides through meeting attendance, committee work, membership events, e-mail and other Strides communications. Do you have the time and resources to be an active Member of the Strides Board? How much time are you able to commit per month?

Fundraising and networking:

9. Are you comfortable soliciting others for membership and funding? If yes, describe any experience(s) in doing so:

10. Are you willing to make a financial commitment that is a stretch?

11. How important is socially interacting with other members?