



VOLUNTEER WITH US!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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ABOUT SDC

The Social Development Centre Waterloo Region (SDC) was incorporated in 1967 as part of the Social Planning Movement. Over the years, we have incubated countless community projects, grassroots groups, and sibling non-profits. Today our primary pillars are Housing & Homelessness, Grassroots Infrastructure, and Lived Expertise.

OUR MANDATE

SDC is a learning organization that supports all voices in the creation of community wide solutions, ensuring that lived experience is the basis for collective action.

OUR WORK

We carry out our mandate by first identifying emerging issues in our community through collaboration and [research](#). We then get to work on solutions that are led by people with lived expertise.

Our programs, research, and advocacy include the [Eviction Prevention Peer Support Program](#), [Lived Expertise Consultancy](#), [Civic Hub Waterloo Region](#), and [Festival of Neighbourhoods](#).

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Visit our [About Us](#) page for more information about our values, our operating principles, and the staff and Board members who make our work possible.

YOUR ROLE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board members at SDC play a crucial role in bringing diverse, broad-based community perspectives and experiences to the way the organization is steered and governed. The Board of Directors guides SDC's strategic planning process, accepts responsibility for transparent stewardship of the organization's resources, and helps ensure adherence to our stated values, operating principles, and mandate.

As an organization involved in research, planning, and advocacy related to issues of social justice, SDC's Board is continually striving to reflect the diversity of the communities we serve.

QUALIFICATIONS

- A dedication to improving the quality of life in the community
- An acknowledgment of the intrinsic worth of the individual in society
- A willingness to work with others to obtain a common goal
- A desire to see the Social Development Centre develop its potential as a key organization in the community
- A willingness to develop a thorough understanding of the programs of the Social Development Centre
- A willingness to develop an understanding of the community, its structures, organizations, and needs
- The ability to take a leadership role in bringing about change in the community

NEXT STEPS

If you are interested in joining our Board or want to learn more about the role, we would love to hear from you! Please reach out to our Board Chair, Brad Ullner, to set up a time to chat: bradullner@gmail.com.

Here are some questions for you to reflect upon ahead of your conversation:

1. Why are you interested in SDC?
2. What experiences have you gained (through work, education, community, or life), which you could bring to SDC? Include any experiences in community organizations, committees, projects, social research, etc.
3. Do you have specific skills or areas of expertise that you think would benefit SDC and the Board?
4. What other volunteer commitments do you have currently have?