



Board of Directors Recruitment: July 2022

Family Services Ottawa (FSO) is looking for new Board members. The Board of Directors provides strategic direction to FSO that is in alignment with the purpose and mandate, ensuring excellent financial oversight, legal and ethical integrity, and overall accountability. The Board of Directors is a Policy Board, and the members perform not only their fiduciary and strategic duties, but also are called upon to support fundraising, brand building and community relations in support of FSO's sustainability and growth.

We are seeking enthusiastic individuals who are looking for an opportunity to contribute their ideas and energy as a member of our Board. We welcome people that are passionate about making a difference in our community, who share our commitment to diversity, equity and inclusivity and want to work with us to build a community where families and individuals are strong and resilient, and have the supports they need to live healthy, fulfilling lives.

About Family Services Ottawa:

A registered charity and incorporated not for profit, FSO has been in existence since 1914. We provide a wide range of mental health and emotional well being services - from intervention-based programming like counselling and support groups, to prevention-based programs that provide education on parenting, healthy relationships, gender identity and gender inclusion and anti-violence. Family Services Ottawa is also an employee assistance provider for businesses through our FSEAP program.

Our Purpose

To strengthen our communities by supporting the mental and emotional well-being of people and families.

Our Mandate

To offer accessible counselling, workshops and educational programs to adults, youth and families to increase their knowledge and skills, adopt healthy strategies, build human connections and increase resiliency.

Family Services Ottawa Board is comprised of up to 15 elected community members with a diverse set of skills and experiences.

Expectations of Board members:

- Initial three (3) year commitment
- Attend regular Board meetings, held at 5:00 pm on the last Tuesday of each month.
- Be prepared and engaged at Board meetings
- Actively support fundraising activities throughout the year, including attending our autumn event: *Music on a Mission*
- Participate in a minimum of one Board Committee or working group.
- Time commitment: 4 hours /month (on average)

Competencies / Attributes that matter to us:

- Ethical and acts with integrity
- Ability to build respectful & trusting relationships
- Supports diversity, equity & inclusion
- Strategic and open-minded
- Engaged participation
- Collaborative -Team player

FSO is specifically looking for candidates with experience in the following areas:

- Financial acumen
- Revenue Development
- Change management

To Apply:

Please email your résumé and cover letter, describing your interest, by July 31, 2022 to:

Nominating Committee: dspeers@familyservicesottawa.org