



Northern Illinois Food Bank Associate Board

The Northern Illinois Food Bank Associate Board is a dedicated, diverse group of professional leaders who, through their own time, talent and resources, are committed to helping expand the capacity and advance the Food Bank's mission to solve hunger in Northern Illinois.

Similar to a governing board, members meet on a scheduled basis, have fundraising goals, plan initiatives or events, and help connect the organization to helpful resources. However, an associate board has no governing responsibilities for an organization.

The Associate Board is not a prerequisite for joining the governing board but rather a way to engage individuals in a meaningful way to provide expertise, volunteer time, and resources to the Food Bank.

Mission:

The Mission of the Associate Board is to advocate for Northern Illinois Food Bank in efforts to increase awareness, expand its network of supporters and raise funds to increase access to food for neighbors in our community.

Roles and Responsibilities:

- Be an informed advocate of the Food Bank's mission and programs.
- Attend meetings and events coordinated by the Associate Board.
- Agree to "give or get" and secure a minimum of \$1,200 per year in donations or sponsorships to benefit the Food Bank's efforts.
- Engage and promote Northern Illinois Food Bank's work and events with their network, helping build a community of advocates.
- The ideal candidate will exhibit a passion for the Food Bank's mission, reflect the diversity of the community we serve, and be willing to fundraise within their circles of influence.

Benefits:

- Inclusion to an extensive network of Northern Illinois Food Bank volunteers and supporters.
- Visibility - Members will be listed in marketing materials and on the Food Bank's website.
- Exclusive invitations to Food Bank activities such as special events, volunteer and networking opportunities.
- Experience of serving on a charitable Board while making a difference in helping solve hunger.

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** The "give or get" policy is a "best practice" in fundraising. "Give or get" policies mean that each board member is expected to donate a certain amount of money per year from their resources ("give") or help raise money and drive in-kind resources that have a monetary value ("get").*