



COMMUNITY BOARD DIRECTOR South Vancouver Neighbourhood House

South Vancouver Neighbourhood House (SVNH) is a vibrant neighbourhood house located at 6470 Victoria Drive. Our vision is for everyone in South Vancouver to live in a healthy and engaged community. Our mission is to play a leadership role in building healthy and engaged neighbourhoods in South Vancouver by connecting people and strengthening their capacity to create change. SVNH currently offers programs and services for the community including preschool and out-of-school care, community events, food security, seniors' health and wellness, youth leadership, newcomer settlement, employment, adult day programs, and family support programs. We exist to strengthen the community in South Vancouver by promoting community engagement and volunteer leadership.

SVNH was established in 1977 and is a member of the Association of Neighbourhood Houses BC (ANHBC).

Position Description

SVNH is currently seeking new members to join our Community Board. The Community Board provides local leadership and ensures that the SVNH & ANHBC mission is intrinsic to the delivery of programs and community activities. The Board establishes strategic goals and policies that are consistent with SVNH's mission and purpose statements.

We are especially looking for individuals with experience in one of the following areas: Fund Development, Social Media / Marketing, Finance, Social Enterprise, and Human Resources. In addition, we are looking for youth representatives from 19-30 years old.

Ideal candidates are:

- Enthusiastic advocates for SVNH and aligned with SVNH's vision and mission
- Experienced or passionate about fund development, social media / marketing, finance, social enterprise, and human resources
- Living or working in the South Vancouver area consisting of Sunset, Victoria-Fraserview, Killarney, Champlain, River District neighbourhoods (Main to Boundary, 41st to Fraser River)
- Willing and able to commit at least 4 hours per month
- Able to attend monthly board and committee meetings (no meetings in July, August, and December)
- Able to attend and support SVNH fundraising and community building events
- Willing to contribute to relevant House and board projects
- Able to successfully complete a criminal record check

Each Board term of office is for two years. Board members are expected to join one Board sub-committee, with meeting ranging from monthly to quarterly. Board meetings are held at South Vancouver Neighbourhood House on the third Tuesday of each month (currently using Microsoft Teams). There is generally no meeting in December, July or August. A monthly meeting may be cancelled due to insufficient business.

Benefits of participation include: an opportunity to develop your leadership skills, giving voice to the neighbourhoods in South Vancouver, knowing that your participation will contribute to bettering your community, acknowledgement of your contributions with your name listing on SVNH's website and in annual reports, invitation to SVNH's annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, and opportunities to attend the annual Good Neighbour Awards. When we return to in-person meetings, a light dinner will be served at each meeting.

SVNH's Board is a place to build new skills, meet like-minded people who are equally committed to improving the community, and use your skills and leadership to make a meaningful difference.

How to Apply

If you are interested in joining SVNH's Board, please email your resume and cover letter, indicating why you're interested in SVNH's Board, as well as the skills you would bring, to Zahra Esmail (email: zahra.esmail@southvan.org).