



**Better Board Recruitment**  
A Dozen Key Documents

**Sample Board member application form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone work phone cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred email address \_\_\_\_\_

Current employer, your title \_\_\_\_\_

List any current or past volunteer activities with our Main Street organization below.

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Address of property you own in downtown \_\_\_\_\_

Address of property you own in the community \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the business you own in downtown \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the business you own in the community \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever served on another nonprofit board? Which one? When? How long?

Why are you interested in committing your time and energy to our local Main Street effort?

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What do you think are the characteristics of a great board member?

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Fundraising is a significant obligation of board service. Please see our board commitment form. Can you tell us about your experience in fundraising? Please be specific.

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Would you be willing to attend a lunch with our Executive Director, in which the goal was to make a major donor ask?

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Board members bring experience, wisdom, strategic thinking, and their rolodexes. Can you tell us about yours? \_\_\_\_\_

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What kind of autonomy do you have over your calendar? There will be committee meetings between board meetings, occasional donor lunches, will you be able to attend?

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Are there any specific questions you want to ask us about Board service for our Main Street organization?

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Please return this completed document to a Nominating Committee member.