**Board of Directors Application for Membership**

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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Business Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Were you previously a member of a Board of Directors? Yes\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, reason for termination\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe your interest in being a member of the Board of Directors: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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What is your understanding of the problem of poverty in our community, and what do you think are effective services for the problem?

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In what personal or professional pursuits are you presently involved that represent a link with the Center, or might contribute to a network of services for those in crisis or other poverty related issues and/or those in the community needing financial and living assistance?

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List other boards on which you are presently serving or on which you have served in the past. If you are presently a member, please indicate when you joined the board.

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Indicate and describe interests you have in any of the following:

Fundraising\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Budget Planning\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Leadership Development\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Social Work\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Public Relations\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Office Management\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Program Development\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Legal Counsel\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Risk Management\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please list three references we might contact concerning your effectiveness on The Family Center board.

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| **NAME** | **ADDRESS** | **PHONE** | **EMAIL** |
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Indicate times and dates when you will be available to visit the Center for orientation of our services:

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**Please read the attached description of board member responsibilities. If you are committed to fulfilling these responsibilities for a term of three years, which includes attending all board meetings, please sign below and return the application (via fax, mail or email) to The Family Center (contact information at top of page):**

**Signature of Commitment\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**(Board Duties on next page)**

**Basic Roles of Board of Directors**

1. **Attend all regular board meetings**. Every other month typically on the last Monday.
2. **Provide secure funding for programs** (RAISE MONEY)
* Ask others for support
* Provide staff with Community contacts
* Fulfill fundraising strategy
1. Serve as an active member of at least one committee.
2. Determine and maintain organization’s mission and purpose
3. Approve and monitor the organization’s programs and services
4. Ensure effective financial management
5. Event commitment, (attend and support Family Center events)
6. Develop and communicate organization’s public message and image (tell our story, spread our message)
7. Help recruit and orient new board members
8. Understand and maintain relationships between board and staff
9. Select, support, evaluate Executive Director
10. Engage in strategic planning and goal setting for The Family Center