

Greater Valdosta United Way
Member of the Board of Directors

Our mission at the Greater Valdosta United Way is to create positive change by bringing resources together to improve people's lives in our communities.

Length of Term: Three years

Reports To: Entire Board of Directors

The board of directors is legally and ethically responsible for all activities of the organization. The primary pursuit of the BOD is to provide leadership, governance, and oversight through, but not limited to the following:

- Defining how the GVUW will carry out its mission through long and short-term strategic planning
- Approving an annual budget and providing fiscal oversight
- Hiring and evaluating the performance of the Executive Director
- Appraising overall performance of the organization in achieving the mission
- Establishing policy for the effective management of the organization

Responsibilities:

- Understand and promote the Greater Valdosta United Way mission
- Be familiar with the organization's programs, policies, and operations
- Attend board meetings and appropriate committee meetings
- Actively serve on at least one committee and offer to take on special assignments
- Review agenda and supporting materials prior to meetings
- Make an annual contribution to the organization commensurate with ability
- Participate in fund raising activities and special events
- Keep current on partnering agencies' issues and program development
- Strictly adhere to governing By-Laws, conflict of interest policy, and confidentiality policy

Time Commitment:

- Attend new board member orientation (approx. 3-4 hours)
- Attend and actively participate in at least 80% of board meetings (6 bi-monthly board meetings, approximately 1.5 hours in length); unexcused absence from three consecutive Board meetings will be considered as a resignation
- Actively participate in committee meetings and related work (approx. 1-3 hours per month as determined by committee)
- Attend and actively participate in the annual planning retreat (1 full weekday)
- Attend special events such as fundraisers (All GVUW events and minimum two partner agency events per year recommended)
- Meet with potential donors to present case for support and answer questions (approx. 4 hours annually)

Financial and Resource Expectations:

- Make an annual gift "commensurate or significant according to your circumstance" to the organization (in order to achieve 100% board giving)
- Sell and solicit sponsorships as necessary
- Identify and cultivate potential donors