

THE WILDLIFE CENTER OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

APPLICATION FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

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Email \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe why you would like to join our Board of Directors:

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Which of your skills can you utilize on the Board?

Fundraising

Strategic planning

Grant writing

Training

Public relations

Finance

Communications

Human resources

Legal

Event planning

Community networking

Volunteer management

What other skills or experience can you utilize as a member of the Board?

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What would you like to get out of your participation on our Board of Directors? Are there interests or experiences you would like to receive from us?

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Have you served on the Board of any other non-profits organization? If so, which one(s) and when?

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Do you have any professional affiliations?

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Please attach a copy of your resume.

Attached is a list of commitments expected of members of the Board. Please read before you decide to apply. Your application will be kept strictly confidential and on file at the Wildlife Center of Venice's office. All applications are used by the Board only to identify and evaluate potential candidates. New Directors are elected by a majority vote of current Board members. We will contact you about your application as soon as possible.

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## The Wildlife Center of Southwest Florida

### Board of Directors

The Board of Directors exists to secure and promote the financial, legal, and ethical wellbeing of The Wildlife Center of Venice and to ensure that it fulfills its mission to protect and preserve Southwest Florida's native wildlife through educational outreach and to rescue, rehabilitate and release sick, injured or orphaned wildlife to their native habitat whenever possible.

The Center expects and needs the following commitments from its Board members:

1. Attend monthly Board meetings and other meetings that may be called from time to time.
  2. Participate in committee work and in events of the Center.
  3. Make a personal financial contribution at a level commensurate with one's financial means.
  4. Always act in the best interests of the Center.
  5. Always represent the Center in a positive and supportive manner.
  6. Actively participate in helping to develop financial resources for our organization.
  7. Work collaboratively with the staff and other Board members as partners in achieving our goals.
  8. Strictly maintain the confidentiality of all privileged or sensitive information that is provided to safeguard the Center's reputation and integrity as well as the privacy rights of individuals and donors connected with the Center and its Board.
  9. Voice one's opinions and concerns and open-mindedly consider everyone else's opinions.
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