

Unity Gardens is Looking for Board of Directors Candidates!

Unity Gardens is looking for new board members. Your professional experience and personal enthusiasm could be a great asset for our small but mighty nonprofit.

About Unity Gardens

Unity Gardens is a non-profit organization based in Anne Arundel County, Maryland that supports the

building of community partnerships through its grassroots grants program. We offer grants of up to \$3000 to non-profit groups such as schools, faith-based organization, scout troops and community groups to install native plant gardens in community spaces.

Established in 2003, Unity Gardens has awarded more than \$650,000 to more than 700 organizations. These volunteer-led projects include native conservation landscaping, erosion control projects, and pollinator gardens. Our grantee's gardens promote cleaner water and air, reduce runoff, foster thriving ecosystems, increase biodiversity and create natural beauty for county residents. They also serve the needed function of helping to educate the community on restoration and climate-wise landscaping practices. To learn more visit our website at www.unitygardens.org.



Board Responsibilities

We are a **working** board with one part-time paid staff member. In addition to attending a monthly board meeting, a board member usually volunteers about 5-10 hours a month sharing their expertise in finance, grant writing, web design, or native gardening. However, for many Board Members the best part of the "job" is helping select and mentor volunteer groups to receive grants for native planting projects. Board members serve for a term of 3 years with a 2 consecutive term maximum. *Please review the attached Board Responsibilities for additional details*.

Qualifications

Maybe you know just the right person for this position, or maybe that person is YOU. If you are an avid gardener, an environmentalist, a lover of nature, or a proponent of citizen-led change, let's talk. There are no formal qualification requirements other than being passionate about environmental sustainability/native plants and being willing to contribute 5-10 hours of your time each month to support our organization.

How to Apply/Selection Process

After reviewing the Board Member Responsibilities, if you remain interested you can reach out to the Executive Director with questions and/or complete and submit the attached application via email to Kathy Nolte, Executive Director, at unitygardensaa@gmail.com or submit your application online via our website. Once your application is received and reviewed, a member of the board will schedule a time to talk so you can jointly determine whether or not this is a good fit for you. New Board members are selected by a vote of the full board.