

Easter Seals Nova Scotia Board of Directors Opportunity



Organization description:

Easter Seals Nova Scotia is a not-for-profit charity based in Halifax, which provides support to children, youth and adults with physical and intellectual disabilities from Yarmouth to Cape Breton. We advocate for a barrier-free Nova Scotia and deliver top quality programs which promote mobility, inclusion and independence for Nova Scotians with disabilities. We are governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, and are currently renewing our board to support our work.

Easter Seals Nova Scotia Highlights:

- Wheelchair provision program
- Accessible recreation programs such as sledge hockey
- Skills training and supported employment programs in Halifax
- Social enterprise, New Leaf Enterprises
- Our fully accessible/barrier-free summer camp for children, youth and adults with physical and intellectual disabilities near Amherst, Nova Scotia (Camp Tidnish)
- Annually, we help over 2700 Nova Scotians with disabilities each year and by extension many more families who benefit from our program and services throughout the province

Building on our Abilities:

The demand for our work combined with the success of our programs has fueled our need to expand our physical space as well as our program capacity. With the support of the provincial and federal governments, Granville Developments and Lindsay's Construction, our quest to create a more inclusive, efficient and productive centre of our own has become our reality.

For the first time in our 80 year history, Easter Seals Nova Scotia and New Leaf Enterprises will be expanding space and programs to fill the growing need for persons with disabilities in our communities. New opportunities will include an expanded business hub, a café open to the public, retail space to showcase our work, larger commercial kitchen and a more open and accessible program area where our trainees can learn new skills for eventual employment in the community.

Quite simply, this new centre will be a game-changer for Easter Seals Nova Scotia.

Opening August, 2018.

We need your help to keep Building on our Abilities

General duties and responsibilities can include:

- Responsible for the governance and management of Easter Seals Nova Scotia
- Attendance at bi-monthly board meetings
- Acts as Board Representative on Committees (fundraising, board governance, program)
- One year term, with option to renew
- Time commitment of up to 3 hours per month
- Work as a team member and participates in board meetings
- Monitor the performance of the organization in relation to objectives
- Budget approval
- Fundraising and fund development
- Volunteering and/or participating in community events
- Establishing and reviewing company by-laws and policies
- Champion the organization in professional contexts, social media, etc

Board members bring a wide range of expertise and talents to our organization, whether it's a passion and personal connection to our work, financial skills, organizational or human resources experience, communications, community engagement, event planning, fund development, or knowledge of and experience with the needs of persons with disabilities.

We entertain applications year-round.

Our website is www.easterseals.ns.ca.

Please visit our Facebook page Easter Seals Nova Scotia,
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