

## **Worcester County Food Bank**

### **Board Member Job Description**

#### **Organizational Mission and History**

Worcester County Food Bank (WCFB) was established in 1982. WCFB believes that affordable, healthy food is a basic human right, and that hunger is an issue of social justice. WCFB's mission is to engage, educate, and lead Worcester County in creating a hunger-free community. To that end, WCFB collects donations of perishable and non-perishable food and distributes it through a network of Partner Agencies, including food pantries and community meal programs; trains Partner Agencies in food safety; and advocates at the local, state, and federal levels for policies and programs that increase access to healthy food and address root causes of hunger.

#### **Our Board Vision**

The WCFB Board welcomes members with diverse professional and personal backgrounds, who represent different areas of Worcester County, and who each bring their own lived experiences and perspectives to the Board's strategic conversations. We envision a board team of dedicated and innovative individuals who are mission-oriented, strategic thinkers, and passionate about ending hunger. We envision a board team that shows up reliably, collaborates, and is actively engaged in supporting WCFB's mission to end hunger.

#### **Why Serve on Our Board?**

- We are the only food bank in the county
- Gain experience as an anti-hunger advocate
- Be a human rights and social justice champion
- Address the solvable problem of hunger in your local community

#### **Our Board Values:**

- Listening
- Preparation
- Empathy
- Curiosity
- Being Available
- Collaboration
- Good Governance
- Flexibility and Open-mindedness
- Engagement at the local, state, and federal levels

#### **Our Expectations for Board Service:**

- Active participation at board meetings
  - Attendance at 7 meetings a year (currently late afternoon meetings)
  - Board members are prepared, informed, and engage regularly in respectful dialogue and inquiry
- A commitment to serve on one committee
- Make an annual gift that is meaningful and realistic; help achieve 100% Board giving
- Serve as ambassadors of WCFB in the community; support recruitment of board members
- Volunteer annually at a WCFB Partner Agency to understand the work they do

WCFB is always open to meeting individuals who might be interested in serving on our board, or engagement as a volunteer. Please contact Jean McMurray, CEO at [info@foodbank.org](mailto:info@foodbank.org) to learn more about WCFB.