



Complete this form to apply for the 2023 FFE Board vacancy:

Background

The Kalamazoo Foundation for Excellence (FFE) helps empower Kalamazoo City residents to achieve the lives they want for themselves and their families. To achieve its mission the FEE provides significant funding to the City of Kalamazoo government each year to 1) stabilize its budget 2) lower the City property tax rate and 3) invest in aspirational projects that advance the Imagine Kalamazoo Vision. FFE funds projects in youth programming, parks, infrastructure, career development, transportation, economic and business support, and housing that touch every neighborhood in Kalamazoo. Visit www.Kalamazooffe.org to learn more.

Board of Directors

Board members are responsible for governing and stewarding the FFE organization and endowment so that it lasts forever to continue supporting the City of Kalamazoo in serving residents. Per year, Board members are expected to attend three to four in-person Board meetings as well as committee meetings should they choose to join one or more of FFE's four committees. Printed meeting packets are provided by email and online prior to each meeting that require thoughtful reading and consideration. Further opportunities to serve as an FFE Ambassador exist throughout each year.

Currently, the open seat of **Affinity and Nonprofit Organizations Sector** is open. It has an initial term of 6/1/2023 - 5/31/2026, with opportunities to renew for two more terms of service. This is a volunteer role.

How to Apply

All application materials must be received by 11:59PM ET to be considered. Send your completed application and optional resume, CV, or supplemental materials to:

The Kalamazoo Foundation for Excellence
241 W. South St.
Kalamazoo, MI 49007

or

www.FFE@kalamazocity.org/apply

Timeline (Applicants will be informed of their status and additional steps as needed.)

January 3, 2023 – Application period opens.

January 31, 2023 – Application period closes (11:59PM ET).

February 2023 – FFE Nominating Committee and community experts review applications.

March 14, 2023 – Kalamazoo City Commission votes to approve candidate.

April 24, 2023 – FFE board votes on candidate. New board member and all applicants informed.

May 31, 2023 – New board member term begins, orientation planned with FFE staff.

Direct questions to FFE@kalamazocity.org, subject line "2023 Board of Directors."

Contact Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____ City, State Zip: _____

City of Kalamazoo Resident? Yes No (answering "no" does not bar you from consideration)

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

Sector Information:

Employer: _____ Position/Title: _____

Skills and Experience: (Check all that apply)

- Governance/Board Administration
- Organizational Budgeting or Finance
- Economic Development
- Community Development
- Other (specify) _____
- Youth Development
- Fundraising or Fund Development
- Job Training or Hiring
- Neighborhood Improvements

Submit supporting information such as your resume, CV, or links with this application.

Demographic Information:

The FFE celebrates Kalamazoo’s diversity through fair treatment regardless of age, ancestry, citizenship, color, disability, ethnicity, familial status, gender identity, genetic information, height, marital status, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex/gender, sexual orientation, veteran status, and/or weight. Please complete the following to your comfort level:

Household Income <i>(Circle)</i>	Education <i>(Circle highest completed)</i>	Age <i>(Circle)</i>
Under \$35,000	HS Diploma or Equivalent	Under 35
\$35,000-\$50,000	Trade or Vocational School	35-44
\$50,000-\$75,000	Associate’s Degree	45-54
\$75,000-\$100,000	Bachelor’s Degree	55-64
\$100,000-\$250,000	Master’s Degree	65-74
Over \$250,000	Doctorate	Over 75
Race/Ethnicity:		
Marital/Family Status:		
Gender Identity:		
Veteran Status:		
Sexual Orientation:		
Religious Affiliation:		

Are there other skills, experiences, or perspectives that you could bring to this Board of Directors?
