

FRIEND OF THE FOUNDATION APPLICATION

On behalf of the board and staff at Barberton Community Foundation, thank you for your interest in becoming a Friend of the Foundation. The following application offers us an opportunity to learn more about you, your skills, attributes, and what you would like to bring to your role as one of the Foundation's core ambassadors.

While the goal of our process is to identify your level of commitment and ability to support the mission and vision of the Foundation, we also want to know what motivates you and how you think about the Foundation so that we can create an excellent experience for you.

Thank you again for your interest in the Foundation and for taking the time to complete this application with thought and care.

To qualify, you must live, work, or volunteer in Barberton. To submit your application, please email it to Dr. Suzanne Allen, Executive Director, Barberton Community Foundation at <u>sallen@barbertoncf.org</u> or deliver it to the Foundation at 460 W. Paige Ave. Barberton, OH 44203. Call us at 330-745-5995 with any questions.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:
Address:
Ward:
Phone Number:
Email Address:
Employer:
Employer Address:
Type of Business/Organization:



VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Past and Present Membership:

Please list boards, committees, and task forces in the public sector (business, civic, community, religious, political, professional, recreational, or social).

Organization	Role/Title	Date of Service

Other Volunteer Experience:

WHY?

Why our organization and not others?

Those committed to volunteering in a leadership capacity have an abundance of organizations to choose from. We are most appreciative of your interest in ours and would like to hear more. Please share your motivation and what it is about our work that has led you to raise your hand to be a leading ambassador for us.

OUR WORK

What excites you about the work of our organization?

What do you see as 1-2 challenges and 1-2 opportunities for us in the next few years?

SKILLS & EXPERTISE

Please mark the skills and expertise you will bring to us that will strengthen our committees and enhance the ability of our organization to deliver on its mission.

NOTE: Please add any other skills or expertise that would be important for our organization.

Reading/Understanding budgets and Event Planning balance sheets HR/Administration Accounting Strategic Planning □ Finance/Investments Social Media/ Marketing/ Web Design Public Policy / Advocacy Public Relations Economic Development Donor Development/Fundraising Legal Expertise Grant Writing Public Speaking /Presentations Information Technology Nonprofit Leadership Other:

ATTRIBUTES

Please mark the attributes that you will bring to strengthen and diversify the Friends of the Foundation.

As an ambassador to the community, the role of the Friend of the Foundation helps us ensure that we have a diversity of personality styles and traits, that when added to our current board members, will enhance the ability of the board to work together as a governing body.

NOTE: Please add any other attributes you believe are key to our board's success.

- Collaborative
- Respectful of varying points of view
- □ Willing and able to lead a discussion
- Facilitative style
- Enthusiastic
- Comfortable speaking in front of groups
- Manages time well

- Good sense of humor
- Asks tough questions with respect
- Other



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- Optimistic
- Responsive
- Strong work ethic



FUNDRAISING

Among other responsibilities, the Friends of the Foundation play a key role in raising funds for our organization. It is an expectation of friend service that you will introduce people in your sphere of influence to our work and invite them to know and do more – as prospective volunteers, board members, staff, and donors. The Foundation commits to providing you with the information and tools necessary for you to stand as a vocal and visible ambassador for our work.

Further, we expect every Friend of the Foundation to make an annual financial commitment for each year of service at a level with which you are comfortable.

Can you speak to your level of comfort with this expectation?

TIME

Serving as a Friend of the Foundation is a true commitment of time and energy. We estimate that friends commit one (1) to two (2) hours each month. In addition, we ask for attendance at special events, such as the Annual Dinner, the Scholarship Award Ceremony, and others.

Do you have any concerns or potential conflicts that may serve as impediments to this time commitment? If so, how will you manage the demands on your time?



OTHER

Who recommended you for the Friends of the Foundation?

Please identify at least two references with whom we can speak.

Name	Relationship	Best Contact

RESUME

Along with this completed application, please submit your most recent resume and/or professional bio.

Thank you for your interest.