UN YOUTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Background

UN Youth's governing body, the Board of Directors, currently carries casual vacancies. We are calling for expressions of interest for Director positions, from individuals who believe they have the skills and expertise to support the Board's leadership and governance responsibilities.

This is an exciting opportunity to get hands-on governance experience and give back to the community!

About Us

UN Youth New Zealand is a youth-for-youth non-profit organisation that provides civics education outside the traditional classroom context. Our goal is to inspire young New Zealanders to be global citizens, primarily through events that engage local and community policy, politics and democracy, and international affairs and diplomacy.

Annually, over 3000 young New Zealanders from Northland to Southland attend a UN Youth event. UN Youth is powered by a dedicated body of 150 volunteers, all aged under 25 and from across Aotearoa.



The Role

Collectively, the Board's functions include:

- Setting and approving UN Youth's strategic plans
- Exercising financial management and oversight
- Performing risk management
- Determining UN Youth's policies and values
- Overseeing key volunteer appointments

Ideal applicant

Above all we're looking for individuals who believe in our kaupapa and are committed to support UN Youth to thrive. Our ideal candidate might complement our current Board by having more than one of the following:

- Have governance experience (particularly in the non-profit sector)
- Have financial management and/or fundraising experience
- Be strategic focussed, and can add value to the future direction of UN Youth
- Be reliable and can work well with others, including fellow Board members and other volunteers
- Have connection to, and be passionate about, youth education, international affairs, or civic engagement
- Have marketing or communications experience

Commitment

Board meetings are normally virtual and held monthly for up to two hours.

Directors will also sit in one or more Board Committees. Committees typically meet at least once every two months. Directors will also be expected to contribute to specific projects or initiatives alongside general meeting preparation.

The Board may also hold strategic planning sessions, and this and any other travel for events or meetings in your role as a Director will be covered by UN Youth, to the extent that is possible under our Policies.

Remuneration

There is no remuneration for this role as all positions within UN Youth are entirely voluntary. However, reasonable expenses may be claimed.

Expressions of Interest

If you are interested, please submit an expression of interest which includes the following:

- If you are currently currently enrolled at a tertiary institution; and
- Any involvement you have had with UN Youth
- A covering letter outlining you would contribute to the Board, noting the above attributes; and
- A CV of no more than two pages.

Expressions of Interest must be emailed to the Chairperson of the Board, Amelia Lamb at chairperson@unyouth.org.nz.

Further information

A copy of UN Youth's Strategic Plan 2021-2025 is available here. Further information about UN Youth, including our governing documents, is available on our website at unyouth.org.nz.

If you have any questions regarding the role or the EOI process, please direct them to chairperson@unyouth.org.nz.