



# COMMUNITY ROOTS

## HOUSING FOUNDATION

### Call for Nominations

April 2024

**The priority deadline for nominations is Friday, May 17, 2024.**

The Community Roots Housing Foundation seeks nominations of potential board member candidates from the Seattle area. The Foundation raises funds to support [Community Roots Housing](#), a public development authority that builds, owns, and operates affordable housing in the Seattle area. Community Roots' mission is to confront inequity to create inclusive housing and foster thriving, just communities. The Community Roots Foundation helps to sustain the organization's general operations, expand programs such as Resident Services, support rehabilitation and preservation of existing affordable housing, and help launch other initiatives like the collaborative \$45M [Rise Together](#) capital campaign.

In general, the Foundation Board seeks individuals who are passionate about affordable housing, community development, and social justice in our region and have skills in the areas of fundraising, communications, marketing, and events. We are looking particularly for candidates who are well-connected in the community with a network to leverage for events and philanthropic giving; who have connections to corporations (especially in the tech sector) and family foundations with a local presence; who have experience in event leadership and planning; and/or who are well-connected in the food/beverage industry.

Members of the LGBTQ and BIPOC communities are strongly encouraged to apply. The Board additionally invites those with existing connections to Community Roots Housing, as well as qualifications in one or more of the above areas, to submit their names for nomination.

The Community Roots Foundation Board is composed of around 12 members who serve two-year terms. The Foundation Board meets quarterly, with the expectation that members also join a committee that meets monthly.

The Foundation seeks candidates who demonstrate the following interests, abilities and characteristics:

- Comfortable with fundraising
- Credibility with the professional community and government entities with which Community Roots works
- Reliability, sound judgment, flexibility, and creativity
- Ability to work effectively and cooperatively with other Community Roots Foundation Board members, staff, stakeholders, and groups with diverse backgrounds and perspectives
- Ability to ground thinking in social/racial justice and community-centric fundraising and/or willingness to learn

Prospective candidates should demonstrate:

- A commitment of time and personal resources to Community Roots Housing Foundation endeavors
- A willingness to serve on a Foundation Board committee and, if desired, a PDA board committee as a non-voting member
- A willingness to represent Community Roots and the Foundation at community functions and serve as an ambassador for Community Roots' work and mission to the broader public
- Commitment to Community Roots' mission and values.

Interested parties should submit their resume and a short statement of interest to Kiley Dhatt, Foundation Executive Director, at [kdhatt@communityrootshousing.org](mailto:kdhatt@communityrootshousing.org). **Nominations submitted by Friday, May 17, 2024 will receive priority consideration.**

### **About Community Roots Housing**

Everyone has the right to a quality, affordable home. At Community Roots Housing, this truth drives our work. By embracing community-led development and engaging in deep-rooted partnerships, we're fostering vibrant, equitable communities where everyone has access to safe, affordable, and welcoming homes. Today, with nearly 50 apartment buildings and over 2,000 residents, we continue our commitment to build community with and for people. Learn more at <https://communityrootshousing.org/>.