



First In Families Of North Carolina Board Member Application Form

Contact Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Cell: (____) _____

Email: _____

Please explain why you are interested in becoming a Board member of FIFNC.

Please tell us anything you would like for us to know about you, your family, your hobbies, interests, etc.

What special talents, gifts or skills would you bring to First In Families of North Carolina?

Please list any other Board or organization memberships, current or previous:

Board meetings are usually held on a quarterly basis in central North Carolina on Saturdays. Would this fit with your schedule? Yes No

Would you need assistance with transportation? Yes No

Would you need any accommodations? Yes No

If yes, please specify: _____



WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN NORTH CAROLINA?

Join the First In Families of North Carolina Board of Directors!

What is First In Families of North Carolina?

First In Families is the statewide not-for-profit organization that provides oversight to the local First In Families Chapters across the state. First In Families Chapters exist in 11 areas of the state. First In Families of NC also operates the Lifetime Connections program and the new Time Banks in the Triangle area. For more information on FIFNC, please visit our web site, www.fifnc.org.

What do Board Members do?

Board members are responsible for creating and reviewing the mission and purpose for FIFNC. They also ensure legal and ethical integrity, effective organizational planning and adequate resources for the organization. Another role is recruiting and orienting new board members and evaluating Board and staff effectiveness. They are also actively engaged in fundraising for the agency.

How much time does it take to be a Board member?

Board members are expected to attend Board meetings and Committee meetings. Board meetings are held quarterly and Committee meetings are held once or twice between Board meetings. Usually Committee meetings are held by telephone conference calling. Once or twice a year, Board members are invited to participate in statewide events with the Chapters.

Where do Board meetings occur?

Board meetings are usually held in central North Carolina.

I have limited resources and can't afford to travel. Can FIFNC help?

FIFNC will cover the expenses, upon request, for you to attend all Board functions.

I don't like to ask people for donations. Will I have to do that?

While Fundraising is a responsibility of Board members, Board members are never required to do something that makes them uncomfortable. Alternative ways to help with fundraising could include: making donations yourself; introducing community members to FIFNC and local Chapters; sharing brochures and other information and sending information to staff about possible funding sources.

It is important for each FIFNC Board member to show investment in our organization. This is why it is mandatory that every Board member contributes at some level financially each year. There is no set amount to give and your contribution amount will never be disclosed to staff, board members, or the public.

Mail completed application to: Betsy MacMichael, State Director, 524 S. Duke St., Durham, NC 27701 or email to BetsyM@fifnc.org

Thank you very much for your time, and for your interest in First In Families of North Carolina. Erica Ferranti, President