



Board of Directors Application

Name: _____ Date Submitted: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Employer: _____ Occupation: _____

Referred By: _____

Please list your experience with organizations/community service activities: _____

Special Skills/Interests Beneficial to the Safe House: _____

Personal References – please indicate name and contact information.

1. _____ 2. _____

I certify that the above information is accurate and that I have read and accept the responsibilities of being a member of the Board of Directors of the Safe House for Women as described in the Safe House Board Membership Statement of Expectations.

Signature: _____

Send completed form to: Safe House for Women
PO Box 1167, Cape Girardeau, MO 63702

Please attach an additional page if more space is needed.

1. I am interested in serving on the Safe House Board of Directors because...
2. Please tell us about any personal experience(s) you may have had with domestic violence.
3. What do you believe is the most important thing the Safe House should do?
4. What personal assets do you think you would bring to the board?
5. Please explain how you feel about speaking publicly about issues that face domestic violence survivors.
6. What are your personal feelings about women returning to their abusers?
7. What are your thoughts about an abuser being rehabilitated?

8. Included is a list of committee descriptions for the Board of Directors. Please mark your areas of interest in order of preference.

_____Finance: To supervise the financial operation of the Safe House and its programs; to recommend policies regarding financial operation of the Safe House; and to administer the investment policies of the Safe House so as to assure its financial soundness.

_____Fundraising & Public Relations: To conduct fundraising campaigns and advise on grant application efforts when requested; to steer fundraising development and implementation of those projects.

_____Property: To be responsible for the physical soundness of the properties of the Safe House, including the shelter and the outreach office/thrift store; to recommend and supervise maintenance and repair of those properties; to supervise volunteers on “work days” or other projects.

_____Personnel: To recommend policies regarding personnel matters; to advise Safe House employees on personnel policy; and to fill the role in the employee grievance process as spelled out in the Board’s by-laws and policies of the Safe House.

_____Client Services: To supervise and support the staff of the Safe House in the delivery of service to clients; to review policies regarding client service programs and make recommendations for their improvement.

_____By-Laws and Planning (ad hoc): To study the by-laws of the Board of Directors and make recommendations for their modification or improvement. To lead the Board through periodic strategic planning efforts; to develop methods to reach the objectives identified in the planning process, and to lead evaluation of the achievement of those objectives.