



Nova Scotia SPCA Seeks Interested Candidates for Board of Directors

The Nova Scotia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (NS SPCA) is currently seeking interested individuals to fill 4 positions on its volunteer Board of Directors. Two positions have been recently created: Regional Directors for HRM/Lunenburg and Cape Breton. The other 2 Director-at-Large positions are a result of current Board members' terms expiring.

Required Commitment:

- Must be able to fulfill a 3- year term
- Board commitment itself is approximately 4 hours per month, including attendance at bi-monthly board meetings. Regular Board meetings take place on the last Monday of every other month at 7:00PM.
- Additionally, Board members may give time to ad-hoc committees.
- Candidates for all positions should possess a true commitment to animal welfare

The Provincial Board of Directors is a Governance Board that sets strategic direction and oversees the affairs and business of the NS SPCA. The organization has seen some significant accomplishments over the last couple of years which would include but are not limited to: the merger of the SPCA's 11 branches into a single provincial organization, the establishment of two veterinary hospitals (Dartmouth and Sydney) and a clinic in Yarmouth, the development of a mobile spay-and-neuter clinic, a highly-praised Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) Program in partnership with Spay Day HRM and other cat rescue groups and a new P.U.P. (Prevent Unwanted Pets) Program.

Directors-at-Large

Skill sets we are looking for in both Directors-at-Large include but are not limited to:

- expertise in fund development, particularly in the non-profit marketplace
- experience in communications and/or marketing
- strong networks and connections to diverse communities plus an ability to cultivate relationships that advance the organization
- other skill sets that you feel could be of benefit to the NS SPCA.

Regional Directors (HRM/Lunenburg and Cape Breton)

All locations of the SPCA across Nova Scotia operate under the umbrella of the Provincial Office. Day-to-day management and operation of the organization as a whole is the sole responsibility of the Provincial Office.

Friends of the SPCA Committees (FSCs) represent six key geographical regions within NS and have the primary responsibility to:

- Build community interest in and support of animal welfare through fundraising and advocacy;
- Support the SPCA at the community level, and
- Promote the SPCA.

Ideally the candidate would reside in the region of the province for the position. Skill sets we are looking for in a Regional Director include but are not limited to:

- an ability to engage with the FSC(s) and regional communities toward a solid understanding of animal welfare ideas, issues and concerns;
- strong networks and connections to the diverse regional communities plus an ability to cultivate relationships;
- an ability to think outside the box, and effectively articulate ideas, issues and concerns of the FSC(s) and the regional communities represented at board meetings.



A completed application package includes:

- your resume
- a cover letter outlining your expression of interest, why you wish to serve and what you can contribute to the Board
- a signed Application Declaration

Applications for membership must be received by **February 16, 2019** and should be submitted to:

Chairperson, Election Committee
Nova Scotia SPCA
PO Box 38073 STN Burnside
Dartmouth, NS B3B 1X2
Fax: 902-835-7885
Email: elections@spcans.ca

Appendix 1 outlines the HRM/Lunenburg and Cape Breton regions as they relate to the NS SPCA and the Friends of the SPCA Committees.

Questions regarding the recruiting process may be directed to: elections@spcans.ca or 902-835-4798.

To learn more about the Nova Scotia SPCA, please visit: <http://www.spcans.ca/>.

Appendix 1

HRM & Lunenburg Region

- District of Lunenburg
- District of Chester
- Halifax Regional Municipality
- Sheet Harbour 36 First Nation
- Beaver Lake 17 First Nation
- Cole Harbour First Nation
- Gold River 21 First Nation
- New Ross 20 First Nation
- Pennal First Nation
- Town of Mahone Bay
- Town of Lunenburg
- Town of Bridgewater

Cape Breton Region

- Cape Breton Regional Municipality
- County of Victoria
- County of Inverness
- Town of Port Hawkesbury
- Chappal Island First Nation
- Wagmatcook First Nation
- Whycocomagh First Nation
- Eskasoni First Nation
- Membertou First Nation