

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

in your community.



CommonBond
COMMUNITIES

Serve as a Board Associate at CommonBond!

Let's Talk!

Do you believe **affordable housing is a critical issue** facing our communities? Are you looking for a **leadership opportunity** but don't know where to start? CommonBond is now **accepting applications** to serve as **Board Associates** on our Board of Directors

Who we're looking for

- Committed and engaged community members with a sincere interest in our mission
- Young people (under 35), women, people of color, those from low-income families, those employed in the social and nonprofit sector, immigrants

No regard will be paid to formal educational background

Your responsibilities

- Attend all Board meetings, review materials, offer your thoughts and perspectives in Board discussions
- Commit 4-6 hours per month for the length of the two-year term.
- Participate in a 1:1 mentoring relationship with a seasoned Board member and liason

"How does this benefit me?"

- Gain excellent leadership experience that will prepare you to serve on future boards or in other influential roles
- Expand your network with other mission-focused professionals from a variety of fields
- Contribute meaningful service to your community
- Receive a \$2,000 annual stipend to help offset costs for participating (transportation, childcare, lost wages, etc.)

"How do I apply?"

- Visit www.commonbond.org/board-associates to download the application
- Fill out the application and email it, along with your resume, to BoardAssociates@commonBond.org
- Deadline for application: **March 15, 2019.** Service term begins in May.

About CommonBond Communities

Our work comes from a simple notion: Home is the foundation for everything in life. As a developer, owner, and manager of over 120 affordable rental properties across MN, WI, and IA, we've seen what's possible with the stability of a home. From high-quality buildings to life-changing support services, we create opportunities to help each resident thrive. We believe in **stable homes**, **strong futures**, and **vibrant communities**.

Recruitment and selection process

- The Board Associates program is publicly announced and promoted through social media, community partners, and existing Board and staff.
- Candidates state their own case during the application process as to motivation for participation and ability to bring a unique point of view to the Board.
- Applications are reviewed by CommonBond staff and Board.
- Two to four finalists will be interviewed, and one Associate will be selected.

CommonBond's Board of Directors

The Board of Directors consists of 26 individuals who are leaders in their fields and are passionate about CommonBond's mission and the people we serve. Board members bring a mix of skills and expertise in housing development, finance, strategic planning, fundraising, legal, business development, social services, and information technology.



Inaugural CommonBond Board Associates

Jamal and Lakeisha were welcomed as CommonBond Communities' inaugural Board Associates in August, 2017. These two individuals stood out because of their life experiences, their commitment to serve, and their eagerness to work with a Board mentor



Lakeisha Lee

Lakeisha is a Mobile Case Manager at The Link. Previously she was a Collaborative Coordinator for Lutheran Social Services' Streetworks program. Lakeisha also worked as a contact center representative at Hiway Federal Credit Union. Along with her regular duties, she is a YPro Committee member with Saint Paul Chamber of Commerce. Lakeisha also volunteers as a life skills mentor at Brittany's Place, a supportive shelter for girls and young women.



Jamal Adam

Jamal is an Achievement Specialist at Wayzata High School. He is a Public Allies AmeriCorps alum having worked as a Community Specialist for the CORE program at the University of Minnesota. He also was an associate teacher at SUN Academy. Jamal is a Roy Wilkins Community Fellows Graduate and a Dr. Josie R. Johnson Leadership Academy Graduate. Jamal has started his first term as a CommonBond board member.