

# Spring 2020 Wednesdays | March 4 – April 1 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | KABA Training Center

# About the Program

The YLink Nonprofit Board Prep Program is a comprehensive training program for individuals who are interested in serving on nonprofit boards. It was created as an exciting opportunity for young professionals to leverage their leadership skills – and gain an understanding for what it takes to become successful board members.

A secondary goal of the program and of YLink is to increase the leadership role of the young professionals in Kenosha's nonprofit sectors.

This program is a five-session series taking place on **Wednesday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., starting March 4, 2020**. All workshops are held at the Kenosha Area Business Alliance Training Center, located at 5500 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 200, Kenosha.

The board prep training sessions are led by local community leaders who are experienced in serving on a variety of nonprofit boards within the Kenosha area – and have subject matter expertise in the topics they teach. **Training sessions include topics such as:** 

- Overview of nonprofit boards
- Fundraising
- Legal and ethical responsibilities
- Financial management
- Strategic planning

Sessions include group and individual work, presentations and case studies.

Participants are also matched to a local nonprofit to act as their case study, based upon availability and area of interest and expertise. Each small group of students will interview an executive director and board chair of an organization and attend a board meeting (schedules permitting).



"An incredible program! KAFASI has benefited from adding two members to our Board of Directors who are Ylink's Nonprofit Board Prep Program graduates. I have been impressed not only by their character and professionalism, but on how the program prepared them for board service. They have understood their roles very quickly and been able to immediately execute on impactful projects that aided not only the organizational infrastructure, but most importantly, the thousands of residents we serve annually."

~ Katie Oatsvall, Executive Director, KAFASI

At the end of the program, participants are invited to a graduation ceremony and nonprofit social event in which they receive recognition of program completion and have the opportunity to meet local nonprofits that are seeking board or committee members.

## Eligibility Requirements

YLink is providing nonprofit board training to young professionals and the general community, including those who are currently serving on a board or committee, and who are interested in nonprofit board training. Those who register for the program should have the following:

- General interest in nonprofit board or committee service, particularly in the Kenosha area
- Ability to commit 1.5 hours each Wednesday, March 4-April 1, for the training workshop. Timeline is listed below.
- Ability to briefly communicate vis class discussion boards on topics covered in the coursework
- Intention to attend the graduation / nonprofit social event (held summer 2020)
- Willingness to be profiled in the post-training 'lookbook' which will be distributed to local nonprofits

#### Timeline

The board prep program is a five-week program, requiring each participant to attend five training workshops, followed by a program completion ceremony/social where you have the opportunity to connect with nonprofit leaders. The program timeline is:

- **February 26:** Registration deadline
- Wednesday, March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1: Training sessions take place. All sessions are held at 5:30-7:00 p.m. at the Kenosha Area Business Alliance, 5500 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 200, Kenosha, WI
- May 2020: Completion ceremony and nonprofit social event. The date & time of this event might fluctuate depending on the availability of your cohort

### Fee

The fee to participate in this training program is \$150 per individual. Dinner, training materials for each session, and the nonprofit networking social are included in the registration fee. Credit card and checks are accepted.

# Register

Registration for the program is easy. Find all information and payment details here at <u>vlinkenosha.com</u>

For additional inquiries, please email YLink at <a href="mailto:info@ylinkenosha.com">info@ylinkenosha.com</a> or call 262-605-1100.