



## BOARD FELLOWS

### Board Fellows Program - Volunteer Application

Thank you for your interest in the Net Impact Boston Board Fellows Pilot Program. Please complete the following volunteer application to be considered for the 2009-2010 Board Fellows program.

#### Net Impact Boston

Net Impact Boston (NIB), the local professional chapter of Net Impact, is a non-profit organization dedicated to using business to make a difference in the world. NIB represents nearly 300 professionals in Boston and offers a wide portfolio of programs and initiatives to educate, equip, and inspire our members to achieve a positive impact in our community.

#### Program Overview

The NIB Board Fellows program places Net Impact members on non-profit boards (as non-voting members) for one-year fellowships. The Board Fellow volunteer will be an active participant on the non-profit board, getting involved with committees and relevant projects under the mentorship of a current board member. The program brings valuable business skills to non-profits, while exposing Net Impact members to non-profit management and governance in practice.

Many organizations have Board Fellows participate on board-level projects relevant to the needs of the organization. Examples of projects are assistance in preparing a strategic plan to help an organization analyze its program offerings or to develop a strategy to increase board participation.

#### Selection Process

It is the goal of the Board Fellows program coordinators to find a “best fit” match of volunteer candidate experience, interest, and skills to the organization’s mission and need.

Completed volunteer applications are evaluated and screened by the Board Fellows program coordinators. Promising candidates will be interviewed and, if a match can be made, placed into a Board Fellowship position.

After the NIB Board Fellows program coordinators match a Board Fellow with an organization, the Board Fellow's profile is presented to the organization for final approval.

The program coordinators cannot guarantee an immediate placement of a volunteer within an organization; however applications will be reevaluated as new organizations are added to the program.

**Please Note:** Board Fellows volunteers are required to be active members of Net Impact Boston for consideration. Active membership requires that the applicant be a dues-paying member of Net Impact with Boston indicated as his/her primary chapter.



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### Program Coordination and Support

NIB Board Fellows program coordinators oversee the program and are committed to providing a valuable experience to both the organization and the Board Fellow volunteer. Each organization and Board Fellow will be assigned to a program manager who will serve as the primary contact for providing program feedback, requesting assistance, and addressing any issues that arise. Before the work with the organization begins, Board Fellows will receive training led by professors and/or business consultants with expertise in non-profit management.

### Contact

Please contact us with your questions or concerns at any point in the process of this application.

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**Instructions:** Please complete and submit this form if you are interested in volunteering for Board Fellows. Please do not leave any fields blank. In addition to completing this form, you must submit a résumé as an email attachment.

Email your completed application and résumé to: [boardfellows@netimpactboston.org](mailto:boardfellows@netimpactboston.org)

Thank you for applying!

First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Email	Phone
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Please indicate the city (or closest metro area), state and country in which you would like to volunteer.

City/Town	State/Province	Country
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Net Impact Chapter Affiliation:

Are you a dues-paying member of Net Impact Boston?  Yes  No

Are you able to perform the necessary responsibilities and commit at least 10 hours per month for the 12-month (full year) duration of the placement to Board Fellows? \*

Yes, I am able to commit the required time and energy to Board Fellows!

Please list other activities in which you are involved and their time commitment, as well as any times during which you will be unavailable to work on Board Fellows:

Activity	Time commitment (hours/week, dates unavailable)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Do you foresee any career changes that will limit your ability to participate?  Yes  No

Occupation/Job title	Company/Organization name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>



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Why do you want to be a Board Fellow? What do you hope to gain from the experience?

What special skills and abilities do you hope to contribute to the non-profit board and to the Board Fellows program? (ex. strategic planning, marketing strategy, financial analysis)

If applicable, please give brief descriptions of any previous/current volunteer or Board experience (including organization, position, and dates of involvement)

Please describe a project in which you managed yourself from start to finish:



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What functional areas of a non-profit most interest you? Please rate on a scale of 1 to 10, 1=high interest, 10=low interest. Please place an x by any area that you will not accept a placement in.

	Board Development/Governance		Managerial Accounting
	Business Planning/Strategy		Marketing
	Earned Income Strategies		Membership Development
	Finance		Operations
	Fundraising Strategy		Organization Development
	Grant Writing		Performance Measurement
	Human Resources		Program Evaluation
			Other (specify):

What fields or mission areas most interest you? Please rate on a scale of 1 to 10, 1=high interest, 10=low interest. Please place an x by any area that you will not accept a placement in.

	Arts		Human Rights
	Civic Organization		International Development
	Economic Development		Mental Health/Disabilities
	Education		Non-profit Support
	Environment		Women/Girls Services / Programs
	Health Care		Youth Services/ Programs
	Housing/Homelessness		Other (specify):

Note: We will make every effort to match you with an organization whose mission and functional area of need are aligned with your preferences.

What size of organization would you like to work with?

- Small (<\$1MM, <10 employees)
- Medium (\$1-\$5MM, 10-100 employees)
- Large (\$5MM+, 100+ employees)

Is there any other information we should know to help match you with an appropriate organization and/or project?

Is there a particular non-profit organization that you are interested in? If so, please provide name and contact information. Net Impact will work on recruiting them to the program.