

Prospective Board Member Application

The Community Development Corporation of Brownsville (dba: cdcB | come dream. come build.) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit serving the South Texas community through affordable housing production, financial education, financial products and youth job training and education.

CDCB Mission

cdcB is a multifaceted affordable housing organization devoted to utilizing collaborative partnerships to create sustainable communities across the Rio Grande Valley through quality education, model financing, efficient home design, and superior construction.

CDCB Vision

cdcB shall be the trendsetter in creating model communities, where every person will be valued, provided options, interconnected within sustainable communities, and assured a high quality of life through excellence in education and responsible decision making.

The purpose of this application is to enable the current cdcB Board members to make appropriate choices of new Board Members for service to cdcB, the cdcB staff, and the South Texas Community.

Applicants interested in serving as a board member should first read and understand the expectations and rules of Board Membership, read and understand the By-Laws, and submit a completed application. Applicants may also submit references or letters of recommendation for consideration if they so choose. All correspondence should be sent to cdcB, 901 E. Levee, Brownsville, TX. 78520 or hand delivered to a current Board Member. cdcB By-laws can be found at www.cdcbbrownsville.org.

CDCB Board of Director Expectations:

- *Support the Mission Statement of cdcB.
- *Actively engage and recruit participants in cdcB programs.
- *Work as a part of a cohesive team with common goals.
- *Share his/her skills and expertise.

- *Dedicate time to cdcB board meetings. Board meeting are held the 3rd. Monday of each month.
- *Respect and support the majority decisions of the Board.
- *Volunteer and assist in cdcB programs and activities, including fundraising efforts.
- *Participate actively in Board meetings, actions, fundraisers and public events.
- *Have no more than three (3) consecutive unexcused absences from board meetings and/or activities.
- *Represent all those whom this organization serves and not a particular geographic area or interest group.

- *Remain aware of the activities that are planned and make yourself available to participate.
- *Declare conflicts of interest as it pertains to your position on the Board and abstain from voting when appropriate.
- *Do your best to ensure that cdcB is well-maintained, financially secure, growing and always operating in the best interest of the communities we serve.

cdcb Board of Director Rules:

*There will be no criticizing of fellow Board members or their opinions in or out of the Board meetings.

*There will be no use of the organization for personal advantage or that of friends or relatives.

*There will be no discussion of the confidential proceedings of the Board outside the Board room.

If you are accepted as a cdcb Board Member, cdcb will obtain a full criminal background check. This will require the Social Security Number, Drivers Licences number and date of birth for each person.

Date _____

1. Information

Candidate Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Current Position: _____

Current Employer: _____

Work Phone: _____

2. Relevant Experience and/or Employment: Please attached Resume.

3. Please circle area(s) of expertise/contribution you feel you can make to further the mission of cdcb.

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| Housing Development | Personnel/HR | Other: _____ |
| Youth Training | Community Service | _____ |
| Financial Education | Policy Development | Other: _____ |
| Financial Product Development | Social media/Communications | _____ |
| Nonprofit Experience | Education/Instruction | Other: _____ |
| Fundraising | Grant Writing | _____ |
| Strategic Planning | Public Relations | |
| Design | Finance/Accounting | |

4. Please list boards and committees that you serve on, or have served on (business, civic, community, fraternal, political, professional, recreational, religious, and social)

| Organization | Role/Title | Date of Service |
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5. Why are you interested in serving as a Board member for cdcB?

6. How do you feel cdcB would benefit from your involvement on the Board?

7. Please list any groups, organizations or businesses that you could serve as a liaison on behalf of cdcB:

8. Please share any other information you feel important for consideration of your application to serve as a cdcB Board member:

9. Please review and respond to the following questions. Use a separate sheet as necessary.

a. Are you aware of any information about yourself, which might tend to reflect unfavorably on your reputation, morals, character or ability as a board member for cdcB?

_____ No _____ Yes, if yes please explain using a separate sheet of paper.

b. Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

_____ No _____ Yes, if yes please explain using a separate sheet of paper.

10. Supplemental Questions

a. Are you willing and able to attend board meetings? _____ Yes _____ No

b. Are you willing to interact with clients, students, staff and fellow board members with professionalism and respect? _____ Yes _____ No

c. Are you willing to uphold the responsibilities assigned to you? _____ Yes _____ No

By signing below, I attest that the information I have provided is true and correct. Additionally, my signature represents my agreement to the following statements: I understand and agree to the cdcB Board of Directors Expectations; I agree to participate pursuant to the Policies, Procedures and Bylaws of the cdcB Board; and I understand that if conflicts prevent me from performing the rules and expectations as a Board Member, I may be removed from the Board by a majority vote.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____