



**Advisory Board Member for Oasis For Girls**

**Employer:** Oasis For Girls

**Function:** Advisory Board Member

**Job type:** Volunteer

**Industry:** Non Profit, Children and Youth, Community Service and Volunteering, Women's and Girls' Issues

**Oasis For Girls: Building our Advisory Board**

**Position Summary:**

Oasis For Girls is looking for several experienced individuals to be part of our advisory board. We are seeking individuals who are representative of the girls we serve as well as those who have experience in friend raising, fundraising (skills in event planning), writing and public speaking, media and marketing, banking/finance/accounting and people with strong skills in computers, technology, networks, social media and on-line giving.

Oasis For Girls is updating its strategic direction with the acquisition of a program from another girl serving organization so those who have skills in providing leadership and guidance in visioning and strategic thinking is also valuable as we embark upon the next stage of our capacity building efforts.

We prefer a two-year commitment and prefer those willing to augment our current four member board with strong non-profit management experience. Meetings take place in San Francisco on a monthly basis. We are a program of the Tides Center who is also our fiscal sponsor.

We are actively recruiting now!

**Our Vision:** Oasis for Girls cultivates generations of strong and creative women who realize their potential, live healthy lives and make a positive impact in their communities.

**Our Mission:** Oasis for Girls provides a safe space where girls and young women are inspired and empowered to become strong and creative leaders in their communities.

**Our Programs:** Oasis for Girls provides culturally relevant and gender specific Arts and Arts Education, Leadership Development, and Life Skills Education programs that support the growth of low-income and immigrant girls and young women of color in urban communities. Through these programs, girls and young women have access to a community of adults who support them in creating change and integrating their skills to address issues they face in their lives and in their communities.

**Who We Serve:** The young women and girls who we serve reflect the rich diversity of the South of Market district and other neighborhoods throughout San Francisco and the wider Bay Area. They range in age from 14 years to 18 years. They are Latina, African American, Asian, Arab, Pacific Islander, White, and multiracial. The majority are first generation Americans, however, many of them are also recent immigrants or of immigrant descent. Most speak languages other than English in their homes. They are all unique and often times face hardships of acculturation while striving to maintain pride within their own heritages.

### **Individual Advisory Board Member Responsibilities**

- Share your passion for young women's issues and social change work in general.
- Actively participate in and attend all board and committee meetings and functions, such as special events.
- Be well informed, knowledgeable, aligned and passionate with the organization's mission, vision, values, services, policies, and programs.
- Serve on committees or task forces and offer to take on special assignments as needed.
- Be willing to make an annual financial contribution of personal significance
- Be a willing fundraiser or willing to learn
- Be an ambassador for the organization by sharing our work with others.
- Have a significant network who can contribute both monetary and non-monetarily to the work of the advisory board and the organization.
- Keep up-to-date on developments in the youth development field

### **Desired Personal Characteristics**

- Ability to: listen, analyze, reflect, think clearly and creatively, and work well and respectfully with a diverse group of people.
- Willing to: prepare for and attend advisory board and committee meetings, ask questions, take responsibility and follow through on advisory board related tasks, contribute personal and financial resources, open doors in the community.
- Develop certain skills if you do not already possess them, such as to: cultivate and solicit funds, read and understand financial statements, learn more about the substantive program area of the organization.
- Possess: honesty, sensitivity to and respect of differing views, a friendly, responsive, and patient approach, community-building skills, personal integrity, a developed sense of values, and a sense of humor.

**Please submit your resume and letter of interest to Executive Director, Jessica Van Tuyl at [jvantuyl@sfoasis.org](mailto:jvantuyl@sfoasis.org) for consideration.**

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