

	<b>Volunteer Position:</b>  <b>Member – Board of Directors</b>  <a href="http://www.wildernesslouisville.org">www.wildernesslouisville.org</a>	Wilderness Louisville, Inc. P.O. Box 456 11311 Mitchell Hill Road Fairdale, KY 40118
<b>Time/Contribution commitment (minimum):</b>	Monthly board meeting (1 hour); monthly committee meeting (1 hour); annual board retreat (4 hours). Participation in occasional board-sponsored events. Give or get \$300 annually.	
<b>Responsible to:</b>	Chair of the Board	
<b>Position open to:</b>	All qualified persons are encouraged to apply. To reflect our mission to ensure equitable access to nature, we strive to include the voices of communities of color and underserved areas.	
<b>To apply:</b>	Please send a resume and cover letter to Bennett Knox, Executive Director, <a href="mailto:board_development@wildernesslouisville.org">board_development@wildernesslouisville.org</a>	
<b>Application deadline:</b>	Open	
<p><b>Our Mission</b></p> <p>Incorporated in 2013, Wilderness Louisville is an independent 501c3 charitable organization. We are the newest of the five local non-profit organizations that raise funds in support of Louisville’s large and diverse system of publicly-managed parks and open space. Our mission is to be the champion for Louisville’s natural areas, from the nation’s largest municipally-owned deciduous urban forest, Jefferson Memorial Forest, to the ones in your backyard. Since its inception, Wilderness Louisville has raised funds to support land conservation and capital facility improvement and ecological restoration activities across the multiple natural areas managed by staff based at Jefferson Memorial Forest. In addition, since 2015 it has raised over \$414,500 to sustain and grow the Natural Areas Division’s “Louisville is Engaging Children Outdoors” (Louisville ECHO) program which annually provides 2,500 underserved youth, predominantly from west Louisville, with opportunities to experience nature. Our vision is that Louisville’s natural areas are world-class destinations for all citizens and visitors to enjoy.</p> <p><b>Objective</b></p> <p>We are seeking new board members who are passionate about our mission and possess skills and expertise that would benefit our work in support of Jefferson Memorial Forest (JMF) and the Natural Areas Division of Louisville Parks and Recreation and its programmatic initiatives in the community. Some board member skills and expertise that are most welcome include fundraising, marketing and communications, and accounting services.</p> <p><b>Purpose</b></p> <p>The Wilderness Louisville Board of Directors is a governing board. In addition to the board, several committees help carry out the activities of the organization. These include: Events/Marketing, Environmental Conservation, and the West Louisville Outdoor Recreation Initiative Fundraising Committee. The relationship between Wilderness Louisville and staff of Louisville Parks and Recreation is one of partnership.</p>		

