

Walk San Francisco Board Service

Join our movement for safe streets!

OUR MISSION

Every day, an average of three people are hit by vehicles while walking in San Francisco. [Walk San Francisco](#) exists to change this. Our mission is to make San Francisco the most pedestrian-friendly city in the United States. To accomplish this, we advocate for:

- Exceptional pedestrian safety infrastructure that serves all people in every part of the city;
- Equitable streets that allow everyone - of every age and ability - to get around safely, easily, and affordably;
- A people- and safety-centered transportation system; and
- More car-free and low-traffic streets and spaces.

We know that advancing these goals will lead to astounding numbers of people walking to get to school, to work, to play, to everywhere because it's safe and inviting. Most importantly, it will help us achieve Vision Zero's mission - no more severe or fatal traffic crashes. None.

OUR IMPACT

As the city's only pedestrian advocacy organization, Walk San Francisco has been winning change for twenty-five years to make the city safer and more livable for everyone. Some of these victories include launching Sunday Streets and reclaiming streets as public space - like [JFK Promenade](#); creating 15 mph speed zones around 181 K-12 public and private schools; widening sidewalks, securing leading pedestrian intervals and so many other changes to the built environment that make daily life safer. [Learn more](#) about our impact.



Board Service Expectations

Each member of Walk San Francisco's Board of Directors must be committed to our vision and values and willing to serve as a community ambassador for the organization. Like most board roles, directors are expected to contribute to the organization in the following ways:

- Support the organization's sustainability through financial oversight
- Meet an annual give/get goal of at least \$1500
- Attend monthly board meetings
- Actively participate on at least one committee (finance, fundraising, and/or governance)
- Attend board retreats and Walk SF fundraising events
- Serve as an ambassador representing Walk SF in the community and actively broadening our network of supporters/members

Commitment

Board term: Terms are two years, and board members are eligible to serve up to three consecutive terms.

General: Board service is a significant time commitment that candidates should thoughtfully consider. Board members should be able to commit 10 hours of service monthly, including board meetings, committee participation, and special events.

Meetings: The Walk SF board meets on the first Tuesday of each month (except December). Members are asked to attend a minimum of 9 meetings per year. Committees meet monthly at a regular date and time determined by current members.



Recruitment Process

Walk SF strives to recruit board members in cohorts. While our recruitment happens on a rolling basis throughout the year, it is undertaken in earnest in the spring and summer of each year so that cohorts can be elected in the fall. All candidates will experience the following process, which typically takes place over 3-4 months:

- Candidate submits brief written application
- Candidate interviewed by two board members, including a Governance Committee member

- Candidate interviewed by Jodie Medeiros, Walk SF Executive Director
- Full board votes to approve candidate's election

The names and affiliations of current board members can be found [here](#). For more information, please complete this [brief application form](#), and the governance committee will be in touch.