2021 Board of Directors Election

The Sister Cities International (SCI) Board of Directors is elected by its voting members. The election normally includes both electronic voting and in person voting. However, this year the entire election will be held virtually with electronic voting. The results of the Election will be announced at the SCI Annual Business Meeting scheduled for July 16, 2021. More information on the election, as well as service on the Board of Directors can be found in the FAQ. Sister Cities International is committed to the values of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in our organization at all levels.

Ten (10) At-Large Board positions as well as the Young Professional position will be filled by election. The Young Professional is for a two-year term (2021-2023). Seven (7) of the at-large positions are for full three-year terms (2021-2024), two (2) are for a two-year term (2021-2023) and one (1) is for a one-year position (2021-2022). The three-year positions will be filled by the 1st through 7th place candidates, the two-year by the 8th place and the 9th place and the one year, 10th place.

Candidates seeking these positions must agree to all requirements listed in the Board application. If elected, you must attend the four leadership meetings annually. Board members are required to make a meaningful Global Leaders Circle contribution of a minimum $2,500 for each calendar year (or portion of a calendar year) they serve on the Board of Directors. Board Member Global Leader Circle contributions are expected during the first quarter of each calendar year unless special arrangements are pre-approved by the Chair.

It is the policy of the SCI Board of Directors that each candidate applying for the above positions, including current Directors running for second terms, must submit their application materials and all supplemental information by Monday, April 12th to Leroy Allala at leroy@sistercities.org. Applications received after this date will not be considered. The application materials to be submitted include:

- The application page, to be completed, signed, and scanned, and submitted as a PDF
- Answers to the narrative portion below, submitted in Word format. All narrative answers will be reproduced in each candidate’s profile on the SCI website and other election materials produced to voting members. Please take note of all word count limits throughout the application. If an applicant exceeds the desired word count, Sister Cities International may edit your response to meet the requirements.
- Headshot/Photograph for use on election materials and ballot, submitted as .jpeg/.png.
- Letter of support from an elected official or representative of a local sister city program (Board Chair/President/Committee Head), submitted as a PDF (max size, 1MB). If you have questions about recommender’s eligibility, please contact Leroy Allala at leroy@sistercities.org.

All candidates will receive electronic confirmation of their applications within two days of receipt. If you do not receive confirmation within two days, please contact leroy@sistercities.org or call 202-347-8630.

Please be sure to review the FAQ for Board applicants, available online here.

Narrative Portion: Please submit answers to the following in Word format with your application materials:

1. A brief biographical description, including relevant experience in your sister city program or other organizations (up to 250 words).
2. A statement of why you want to run for the Board of Directors (up to 200 words).
3. The major skills and assets that you will bring to the Board (up to 75 words).