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#### **Public Purpose**

How does it shape your mission? How does it impact your board? What are the roles and responsibilities? Who is managing compliance? Regulatory | Legal | Ethical

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Charitable purposes" is defined by the Nonprofit Law as "[t]he relief of poverty, the advancement and provision of education, including postsecondary education, the advancement of religion, the prevention and treatment of disease or injury, including mental retardation and mental disorders, governmental or municipal purposes and any other purpose the accomplishment of which is recognized as important and beneficial to the public."



### **BOARD DUTIES**



#### Duty of Care

Duty of care refers to the legal obligation to take reasonable care to avoid causing harm to others. It applies to various situations, such as in the workplace, healthcare, and education. The duty of care requires individuals and organizations to act in a way that protects others from foreseeable risks or dangers.



#### Duty of Loyalty

The duty of loyalty is a legal and ethical obligation that requires individuals to act in the best interest of their organization or company and to avoid any conflicts of interest. This duty requires individuals to put the interests of their organization before their own personal interests or external relationships.



#### Duty of Obedience The duty of obedience refers to the obligation of individuals to follow the instructions or orders of a person or organization in a position of authority. This concept is often associated with hierarchical structures such as the military or workplace environments and is considered. an essential element of maintaining order and efficiency within these settings.

Chair Responsible for leading the board and facilitating meetings



Responsible for official communications with board members and recording meetings



### **Vice Chair**

Acts as the board chair's understudy and second in command

#### Treasurer

Oversees all matters related to the organization's finances, property and budget

#### Lead with Intent

- •Determine mission and purpose
- •Select executive director
- •Support the executive and review performance
- Ensure effective organizational planning
- •Ensure adequate resources
- Manage resources effectively
- •Determine and monitor programs and services
- •Enhance public image
- Serve as court of appeal
- •Assess its own performance

# Basic Board Responsibilities



Conflict of Interest, Code of Conduct

### Fiduciary Financial integrity, due diligence

## **Board Obligations**

### Legal Compliance, Liability





Questions...

Thoughts...

Concerns...



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