

Board Member Application

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How did you first learn about New Haven Ecology Project and Common Ground?

I first learned about New Haven Ecology Project & Common Ground back in 2004 when I was returning to New Haven, from California and I became an part-time English teacher for the High School.

What inspires you about our mission?

I think the biggest thing that inspires me the most about Common Ground's mission is the commitment to urban city students, particularly New Haven students. The idea that all students can lead is innovative, being a leader has many different layers for all people, sizes and cultures. I love the idea that students can tap into their POWER and finds what moves them whatever it is. Common Ground does not subscribe to a one size fits all leader mode, if you are passionate about something and you want to make an impact in your community, then students are taught they are leaders!

What do you know about Connecticut charter public schools?

I know that Connecticut public charter schools are underfunded, growing, and have a huge impact on Connecticut's graduation rates, and college acceptances. While charter schools work with less resources and do a lot of their own fund raising, in addition to state assistance; the teacher professional development training, and high expectations for students is comparable to any high achieving CT suburb.

Please select those areas of expertise where you believe you can add value.

☒ Advocacy

☒ Education (K-12)

☐ Education (Higher Ed)

☐ Facilities/Real Estate

☐ Finance

☐ Fundraising

☐ Health Care

☐ Legal

☐ Marketing/Communications

___ Other _____

Please list any prior board member experience, noting if you served as an officer.

I served as the teacher representative for Common Ground High School for over 6 years.

Please describe any current or past affiliation with New Haven Ecology Project or Common Ground.

I worked as an English/Reading teacher at Common Ground High School for 15 years, and later moved into administration where, I worked as the Assistant Director of CGHS, for 2 years. I was employed at NHEP-CGHS for 17 years.

At a minimum, can you annually commit to attending 10 board meetings and serve on at least one committee? ☒ Y ☐ N

In time, would you be willing to serve as a committee chair or officer? ☒ Y ☐ N