

Join the GTGK Board of Directors!

Application Details Below

Green Thumbs Growing Kids (GTGK) has been cultivating environmental stewardship and food literacy for over 25 years through hands-on garden education in Toronto schools and communities. We're a registered charity with a powerful vision: *a garden in every school* — and we're looking for passionate, committed individuals to join our **Board of Directors**.

As a recent **Toronto Community Champions Award** winner, GTGK runs dynamic programs where children grow native plants, harvest kid-friendly fruits and vegetables, compost with worms, and connect with nature in meaningful ways. Our mission is to cultivate environmental stewardship through hands-on garden and food education for urban children, youth and their communities.

Why Join the Board?

- Help shape an organization that makes a real impact on children, youth, and urban communities
- Gain experience and training in nonprofit governance, fundraising, and strategic planning
- Build your network with changemakers and environmental educators
- Champion fun, educational, and inclusive initiatives rooted in sustainability and community care

This is a **working board**, with members actively contributing to strategic planning, fundraising, events, and community representation. Board members commit approximately **10–15 hours/month**, including monthly virtual meetings, committee work, and participation in community or fundraising events. Terms are **two years**, renewable for up to four.

Current Board Openings

All roles involve some level of fundraising and community engagement. Canva/social media skills and experience in small charities are assets across all roles.

Director of Fundraising

Lead our Fundraising Committee! Develop and implement campaigns, engage with donors, and seek out new funding opportunities. Experience in fundraising strategy is essential.

Director of Marketing & Communications

Craft our public-facing messages, support outreach campaigns, and build GTGK's presence across media and social platforms. Strong writing and content creation skills are key.

Director of Donor Stewardship

Help donors feel valued and connected! You'll manage welcome emails, check-ins with monthly donors, and donor appreciation efforts. Great for detail-oriented, relationship-focused individuals.

Director of Special Events

Take the lead on our two signature events — *Spring is in the Air* and *New Roots Dinner*. Event planning or coordination experience is ideal, especially if you enjoy creating meaningful, fun community gatherings.

Director of Indigenous Community Engagement

Support our reconciliation efforts and Land Back commitments by building relationships with local Indigenous communities and advising on GTGK's approach and representation.

Members at Large (x4)

Open to local residents, parents, educators, former staff, program alumni or anyone who is drawn to our mission!. Members at Large join two committees of their choice (meetings are not necessarily monthly) and provide flexible support where needed.

Bonus Skills (Valued Across All Roles)

- Social media or design tools (e.g., Canva, editing platforms)
- Knowledge of donor bequests and related communication
- Experience with small, community-based nonprofits

Ready to Grow With Us?

We'd love to hear from you!

Send your **resume** and a short **cover letter** explaining your interest to

 **board@greenthumbsto.org**

Please include "**Board of Directors**" in the subject line.

 **Location:** Regent Park, Toronto (board meetings are virtual; local involvement preferred)

 **Start Date:** Summer 2025

 Learn more: www.greenthumbsto.org

