



## Seeking two (2) Board Members

### **About Alpha House**

Alpha House Society is a non-profit, charitable agency operating in Calgary and Lethbridge, Alberta to provide safe spaces for men and women whose lives have been impacted by alcohol and other drug dependencies. We have been operating in Calgary since 1981.

Services at Alpha House are delivered from a social model that respects the clients' right to self-determination as they address the impact of alcoholism and addiction in their lives. We strive to develop relationships of trust with our clients working on client identified issues from withdrawal management to mental health concerns, from treatment to housing. We seek to provide hope through direct service and the promotion of wellbeing.

We operate Emergency Shelter, Detox, Housing (Community and Permanent-Supportive Housing), and Outreach (HELP (formerly DOAP), Encampment, Needle Response, Ambassador) Programs 24/7.

### **About the Role: Board Committee**

We are looking for someone to join our Volunteer Board of Directors. Alpha House has a strategic governance board consisting of volunteers elected at our Annual General Meeting (AGM) for 2–3-year terms, with options for re-election.

### **General activities expected of board members:**

- Strategic input of industry changes, program developments, and agency expansions or contractions as needed
- Providing perspective, expertise, and sound judgement to help inform decision-making
- Participating in fundraising initiatives
- Attending board meetings regularly (a minimum of 6 per year)
- Serving on and attending committee meetings as needed

### **We are targeting two candidates this year:**

- One candidate will have senior finance leadership experience (with a CPA designation)
- One candidate will have communications, fund development, or stakeholder relations experience

**For all candidates, any of the following experience would be an asset:**

- Mental health, addictions, or homelessness experience, whether in terms of employment experience within the sector or lived experience
- Familiarity with Indigenous ways of knowing and being
- Strong local (Calgary) network

\*Attention will be given to avoiding any real or perceived conflict of interest

**Personal Qualities**

- Strategic, thoughtful and empathetic
- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal, and the ability to work effectively in a team environment; and
- A positive and collaborative demeanor with a sense of justice for underserved populations

**How to Apply**

- If interested, please submit your cover letter and resume as PDF to: [communications@alphahousecalgary.com](mailto:communications@alphahousecalgary.com)