

Building Better Boards Workshop Series

Forever Maryland is excited to announce a new leadership training program to help local land trusts in Maryland (and a few land trusts in Delaware) build stronger boards of directors and expand the strengths, capacity, and diversity of board candidates and local land trusts. *Building Better Boards for Local Land Trusts:* Training and Toolkit program provides a pathway for any local leader interested in conservation to learn about best practices for board governance, fee and easement transactions, the roles of monitoring and stewardship, and the importance of financial oversight.

Workshop topics, dates, and times are as follows:

How to Build a Board of Directors – Recruiting, Vetting, Nominating, and Orienting New Board Members. January 24, 12:00 Noon – 12:45 p.m.

This workshop is specifically designed to help land trust leaders and nominating committee members effectively and efficiently seek out and evaluate potential new Board members. FREE and open to all.

Governance – How to Run an Effective Nonprofit Organization.

February 28, 12:00 noon – 12:45 p.m.

This workshop will provide land trust board members with a refresher and/or introduction to Board member responsibilities at a land trust. FREE and open to all.

Finance and Fundraising – How to Raise It, Spend It, and Keep Track of It.

March 14, 12:00 noon – 12:45 p.m.

This workshop will provide new and less-involved land trust board members with an introduction to the fiduciary responsibilities of a nonprofit organization's board of directors. As a bonus, the workshop will offer tips and secrets from professional fundraisers. FREE and open to all.

Transactions – How to Save Land.

April 25, 12:00 noon – 12:45 p.m.

This workshop will provide new and less-involved land trust board members with an overview of land conservation – easements, fee acquisitions, and everything in between. FREE and open to all.

Stewardship – How to Conserve Land in Perpetuity.

May 16, 12:00 noon – 12:45 p.m.

An introduction to the most important job of all – stewarding and monitoring easements and in-fee properties. FREE and open to all.

For more information, please contact Josh Hastings at Josh@ForeverMaryland.org or 410-251-5268.

Registration Website: www.forevermaryland.org/2022-workshopsbbb