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## **Call for Nominations!**

### **To the Board of Directors of Green Trust Alliance, 2024**

#### **WHO WE ARE**

For over 20 years, Green Trust Alliance (GTA) has worked with funders, public lands agencies, and local landowners to protect and restore coastal forests, wetlands, streams and shorelines in the Mid-Atlantic region. GTA is the only nationally accredited land trust based in Howard County, Maryland; and one of the few accredited land trusts based in all of Southern Maryland. We hold about 15 easements on over 1,500 acres of land throughout the region.

GTA's specialty, which sits at the core of our mission, is the stewardship of protected private and public lands. Whether our staff is leading volunteers to clean a public kayak launch, contracting with a park agency to restore an unmaintained waterfowl impoundment, or conducting a major ecological restoration project in what some nonprofits would call "impossible sites," GTA believes that active stewardship of protected lands and park lands is key to ensuring direct public benefits to local communities.

GTA's three Community Conservation Focus Areas, where 90% of our efforts will be expended through 2030, are as follows:

- Baltimore Urban Coasts and Rivers (Southern Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Northern Anne Arundel County)
- Southern Maryland (Calvert, Charles, Prince George's, St. Mary's Counties)
- Hudson-Raritan Estuary (Middlesex, Monmouth, and Somerset Counties)

We have amazing staff and a growing, skilled and experienced board.. We are looking for new board members to bring new perspective, energy, and skills to continue our growth.

## **WHO WE ARE LOOKING FOR**

You might be a good fit if you enjoy any of the following:

- **Connecting and Growing** partnerships from the community level to the federal agency level;
- **Coaching** board and staff growth;
- **Mustering** other leaders and resources to help fund and execute the stewardship of public and private preserved lands, as well as to help growing GTA's Board and staff.

## **WHAT WE'LL ASK OF YOU**

An ideal Green Trust Alliance board member will:

- Inform our strategic direction, over see our financial health, and ensure that best practices in management are followed.
- Commit to a three-year term of representing the best interests of the organization.
- Be willing to help make connections to secure funds, including corporate/workplace donations.
- Actively collaborate with current board members and cultivate new members.
- Be willing to devote sufficient time to their duties and responsibilities, which include:
  - o Attendance of 4 regular board meetings per year (3 virtual/1 in-person)
  - o Attend other brief/virtual meetings to conduct time-sensitive business such as easement or contract reviews.
  - o Serve as an informed and compelling ambassador to expand our connections and effectiveness.

Our effectiveness is enhanced when equity and inclusiveness are practiced and protected throughout our organizational governance, culture, and staffing. Recruiting and retaining a diverse board is a priority for us.

[Please visit this link](#) to tell us about your experience and passion for this work. We'll take nominations until October 31, 2023 (feel free to self-nominate). We'll acknowledge receipt of all submissions and reach out by November 5<sup>th</sup> for more to those who appear to be the best fit for advancement in the process.