

Board Member

Saint Paul Children's Collaborative

The mission of the [Saint Paul Children's Collaborative](#) (SPCC) is to engage policy-makers, communities, business and other stakeholders to strengthen the social and economic fabric of Saint Paul to support the healthy development of children and youth. The Saint Paul Children's Collaborative is a partnership forged by Ramsey County, the City of Saint Paul, Saint Paul Public Schools – ISD 625, Head Start, and the community. The Board periodically has openings for a community representative to nominate to the Board.

Responsibilities:

- Review advance materials; attend and actively represent community perspective at monthly board meetings the second Wednesday of each month from 8:00 – 10am at Community Action Partnership of Ramsey & Washington Counties, 450 Syndicate Street North in Saint Paul.
- Review and approve annual budget and monthly financial statements and be informed of and meet fiduciary responsibilities.
- Review annual progress toward the SPCC's Youth Master Plan goals:
 - Kindergarten readiness
 - Reading by third grade
 - Children with health care coverage
 - Children's connection to one or more caring adult
 - Children safe and free from child abuse and neglect
 - Children graduate from high school
- Participate in semi-annual grant-making process as a board member and, if nominated, as a member of the grant review committee.
- Serve as board officer if nominated.
- Stay informed on SPCC grantees and other initiatives.
- Participate in ad-hoc committees or work groups on specific topics or in support of specific grantees in cases where you have relevant expertise or interest.
- Participate in policy discussions and development of policy solutions to break down policy and program barriers that get in the way of families accessing needed services.
- Be an effective ambassador for the SPCC in community settings and bring community issues/concerns to the Board as appropriate and relevant.
- Follow conflict of interest and Open Meetings Act requirements.

Ideal Candidate:

- Understands and is willing to be committed advocate for SPCC's mission.
- Strong connections to Saint Paul.
- Clear commitment to fulfilling the responsibilities listed above.

Community representatives are eligible for a \$50 stipend for attending board meetings, plus excellent coffee and pastries. Community representatives serving on the grants review committee are eligible for an additional stipend.

Interested candidates should send an email to spcc@advance-consulting.com. Please attach a short bio listing your relevant experience and connection to the Saint Paul community, to any cultural/ethnic communities in particular, and confirmation of your availability to attend monthly meetings (details above).