



BoardConnect Next Steps Checklist

- 1) Share on Social-** You've completed BoardConnect and that's a huge accomplishment! Update your LinkedIn and other social media profiles with the news, and be sure to tag us in your announcement post.
- 2) Meet a Few Nonprofits-** BoardConnect participants have the opportunity to attend meet and greets, our optional and exclusive events to meet nonprofits seeking board members. Take advantage of this opportunity to potentially find a nonprofit to join. If you can't attend the meet and greet related to your current cohort, you are always welcome to attend a future meet and greet. Feel free to contact us!
- 3) Apply Your Training-** Once you've found a nonprofit you're interested in joining and have established a connection with someone from the nonprofit, continue to vet the nonprofit and its board. Attend the nonprofit's events, talk to its board members to gain clarity of their needs and your obligations, and even try volunteering on a committee before you commit to the board. Take what you've learned in the training, and apply it.
- 4) Don't Struggle to Find a Board-** Let us know if you need assistance in finding a board. Email our Executive Director, Allison Howe, at allison@nonprofitconnectnj.org, and we'll be happy to work with you to find a board. This is a free service.
- 5) Attend our Board Peer Circles-** Our Board Peer Circles provide a venue for networking with and learning from experienced board members in the Greater Mercer County area. Contact our Program and Development Associate, Rekha Parthasarathy, at rekha@nonprofitconnectnj.org to get access to Board Peer Circle meeting dates.
- 6) Explore Additional NonProfitConnect Resources-** Sign up for another program. LeadershipConnect is a free resource for those interested in staying current on topics relevant to the nonprofit industry. Leading from Within prepares mid-level nonprofit professionals for executive leadership. More programs are coming!
- 7) Stay Social-** Let us know if you've joined a board or whether you'll be joining a board soon. Free publicity from a reputable organization with an excellent reputation is good publicity, so why not?
- 8) Pass the torch-** Tell someone else about BoardConnect so they too can have a chance to impact the community.
- 9) Show gratitude-** Consider making a gift to NonProfitConnect so others can have a similar opportunity. We are a nonprofit, after all, and donations help us achieve our goals.
- 10) Connect With Us on Social-** Sign up for our email newsletter and follow or like us on our social media.