

A NEW OPPORTUNITY

In partnership with BoardBuild, JLD is offering a special training opportunity for all members to receive certifications in nonprofit board governance and/or DEI fundamentals, followed by the chance to be matched with a nonprofit seeking new board or committee members.

WHAT IS BOARDBUILD?

BoardBuild is a North Texas-based nonprofit founded in 2019 that trains and certifies emerging and established leaders and connects them to serve on nonprofit boards. Last year, BoardBuild trained nearly 500 individuals nationwide and matched 124 individuals with nonprofit board positions, including 82 women and 67 BIPOC individuals.

WHAT DOES THE JLD + BOARDBUILD OPPORTUNITY INVOLVE?

- **Step 1:** Register for COURSE 1: BOARDBUILD ESSENTIALS (registration details below) to complete on your own time (no JLD hours)
- **Step 2 (OPTIONAL):** Register and attend a JLD Group Meeting “BoardBuild Kickoff” on Tuesday, September 19th, 6:30 – 8:00PM at JLD Headquarters. Receive 1 GMM Credit for participation.
- **Step 3:** Complete BoardBuild Essentials Course on your own time and no later than November 1st if you wish to attend the BoardBuild Graduation for Group Meeting credit (see next step).
- **Step 4 (OPTIONAL for those who are certified by November 1, 2023):** Register and attend a JLD Group Meeting “BoardBuild Graduation” on Thursday, November 9th, 6:30 – 8:00PM at JLD Headquarters
- **Step 5 (OPTIONAL):** After certification, add your resume to the BoardBuild platform, receive a custom list of nonprofit matches, and get connected with a nonprofit board service opportunity.
- **Step 6 (OPTIONAL and BONUS!):** Also on your own time, receive free access COURSE 2: DEI FUNDAMENTALS to complete on your own time.
- **Step 7 (OPTIONAL for those who are certified by November 1, 2023):** Participate in a pilot board service coaching opportunity in the spring of 2024 with participating JLD Sustainers.

WHAT ARE THE COURSES?

COURSE 1: BoardBuild Essentials

- Course Details: Online, self-paced training course includes 7 lessons covering 22 topics that teach the essential logistics and operations of serving on a nonprofit board. Content co-developed with Four Day Weekend comedy to keep delivery fresh and engaging.
- Match with Nonprofits: Upon course completion, participants have the choice to submit their resume, apply to open positions and be matched with nonprofits seeking qualified board members.
- Certification: Board Governance
- Duration: 4-5 hours
- Retail value: ~~\$200 per person~~ FREE for JLD Members; must register by December 31, 2023.

BONUS!: DEI Fundamentals

- Course Details: Online, self-paced training course includes 6 modules covering 22 topics. Receive practical guidance, assessment tools and valuable resources geared towards organizational leadership and transformation.
- Certification: DEI Fundamentals
- Duration: 4-5 hours
- Retail value: ~~\$400 per person~~ FREE for JLD Members; must register by December 31, 2023.

BENEFITS

- Sitting on a nonprofit board is the next level of service and this course will teach you the basics of being a good board member AND give you access to nonprofits seeking board members.
- This is an investment in yourself, and a unique training opportunity designed to enhance your League experience to allow you to make a bigger impact in the Dallas community.
- As an emerging or established leader serving on a nonprofit board or committee, you will develop and broaden your community trusteeship. These experiences provide many opportunities for you to expand your network, increase your influence, and strengthen your leadership skills.

- Your certification(s) will allow you to join a limited pool of certified prospective board members on the BoardBuild platform. JLD's partnership with BoardBuild also allows nonprofits to filter specifically for JLD Members as they browse candidates.

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

1. Sign up [HERE](#) with code JLD2023. Once on the site, click Sign Up in the top right corner. Fill out the registration form. Select BOARDBUILD ESSENTIALS + DEI CERTIFICATION BUNDLE and add it to your cart. Put the code in the coupon section and "purchase." **DEADLINE TO SIGN UP FOR EITHER COURSE is December 31, 2023.**
2. Spend about ~4-5 hours completing each BoardBuild course as desired.
3. Work with BoardBuild to match with a nonprofit board.

SPECIAL GROUP MEETINGS & GMM CREDIT

- Join us to kick off this fabulous opportunity on September 19th, 6:30-8:00pm [Event Details](#) (jldallas.org) Hear from Sustainers who have served on boards, meet the BoardBuild Leadership, and get some hands-on training. Receive 1 GMM credit for attending.
- If you complete your certificate by November 1st, you will be part of our Graduation on November 9th 6:30 - 8:00, [Event Details](#) (jldallas.org) and your name will be included in a special press release announcing this new partnership and JLD graduates.
- JLD Members who complete certification by February 15, 2024 will be invited to participate in a pilot board service coaching opportunity in the spring of 2024 with participating JLD Sustainers. More details to follow.

FAQs

1. Who can participate?

- JLD Actives or Sustainers in good standing with the League
- You do not need to be a certain age or have had any previous experience to take advantage of this opportunity

2. Are the 2 in-person meetings required or can someone only do the self-paced course?

- The 2 Group Meetings are NOT required, but highly encouraged as they will bookend the experience and connect members to next steps, mentors, and how the courses work.
- The Kickoff Group Meeting will be for 1 GMM Credit

3. What is the time commitment?

- 10-15 hours (2 meetings with Board Build, plus self-paced course)

4. What if a member can't finish the requirements for the certificate?

- These are self-paced classes that can be completed at any time. However, you must REGISTER, December 31, 2023 to take advantage of the free option
- We strongly encourage everyone to complete the courses and get certified by November 1, 2023 so you can take advantage of the being included in the Press Release in December, announcing those who completed the training as well as a Spring event with Sustainers who serve on boards.
- Until completion of the certificates you will not be able to get matched to a board or participate in the Sustainer Mentoring event in the Spring.

5. If I finish my certificate after November 1st, can I still participate in the Sustainer Mentoring event in the spring?

- Yes, as long as your certificate is complete by February 15, 2024.

6. What credits do members receive?

- 1 GMM meeting credit for the September Kick Off Meeting
- Special designation on JLD profile.
- Special designation as a JLD Member on the BoardBuild board matching portal
- Announced in JLD publications, on social media, in a special press release
- Opportunity to participate in an event with experienced Sustainer board members

7. Do I have to join a board right away?

- No, you can build your profile and then match with a board when the time is right for you. The matching component of the experience is entirely optional.