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Getting on Board!

North Jersey—The Volunteer Center of Bergen County invites all individuals who are interested in a unique leadership experience to learn about serving as a board member in a nonprofit agency.

The **Getting On Board** workshop, presented by the Volunteer Center's Volunteer Leadership Institute, will help participants understand what is involved in serving on an organization's Board of Directors. The 2-hour primer on board service will be held on Wednesday, November 18th, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at The Volunteer Center's offices, 64 Passaic Street in Hackensack. The cost for the Getting On Board training is \$10.00 per person and includes the training presentation, handouts, and refreshments.

Agencies of all kinds -- including those that deal with youth or women's issues, the arts, emergency services, senior services, and environmental concerns -- need board members. Board members make a difference in the community, meet interesting people, and share their talents and skills to address important social needs.

Class size is limited to 25 and participants will be enrolled on a first-come, first served basis. Pre-registration and pre-payment of the \$10 fee are required; registration deadline is November 16, 2009.

"We provide training and coaching to help people find a suitable match for their talents and interests," says Amanda Missey, director of training at the Volunteer Center. "Serving on a non-profit board is an excellent way for people who feel strongly about various social issues to take an active role in assuring that the community's needs are met," adds Ms. Missey.

For more information or to register, send an e-mail to training@bergenvolunteers.org or call Tess Tomasi at (201) 489-9454 x 114

Founded by the Junior League in 1966, the mission of the Volunteer Center of Bergen County is to strengthen the community by connecting people with opportunities to serve, operating model volunteer programs, building capacity for effective volunteering, and participating in strategic partnerships that meet community needs.

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