

Capital Area United Way Board of Directors
Code of Ethics

I, _____, as a member of the Capital Area United Way Board of Directors or CAUW standing committee, understand that as a volunteer, my actions directly impact the well-being of our community. *Therefore, I commit to:*

- Abide by the CAUW Code of Ethics and all other rules and regulations of the organization including but not limited to the organization's articles of incorporation and bylaws.
- Obey all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations and will provide or cause to provide the full cooperation of the organization when requested to do so by those institutions and their representatives as are required to uphold the law.
- Participate as a Board Member with integrity, honesty, truthfulness, due diligence, and adherence to the absolute obligation of safeguarding the public trust;
- Maintain confidentiality of all organizational information, documents, and communications.
- Regularly participate in board development activities.
- Lead by example in serving the needs of the organization, its members, its affiliated organizations and those it serves and also in representing the interests and ideals of the philanthropic not for profit industry.
- Affirm, through personal giving, a commitment to philanthropy and its role in society;
- Value the privacy, freedom of choice and interests of all those affected by the organization;
- Foster cultural diversity and pluralistic values, and treat all people with dignity and respect;

And, I understand that in my role as a member of the United Way Board of Directors, *it is my responsibility to:*

- Refrain from engaging in activities that might adversely affect the Capital Area United Way, its stakeholders or the profession of philanthropy and the not for profit industry.
- Avoid activities that conflict with my fiduciary, ethical, and legal obligations to the Capital Area United Way and its stakeholders; and disclose any potential conflicts of interest.
- Assure that any relationship with a donor, prospect, other volunteer or employee is not designed for my personal benefit.
- Handle privileged or confidential information with the utmost confidence and not share it with unauthorized parties.

Signed: _____ on this day: _____