



Board Member Agreement Members of GEDCO & Stadium Place Boards

As a member of the GEDCO Board or Stadium Place Board, I understand that I am expected to provide leadership, to commit time, energy and resources to accomplish the organizational mission, which reads, *“In partnership with faith communities, GEDCO provides affordable housing with supportive services and assists in meeting emergency needs of community residents.”*

To assist in achieving these goals efficiently and effectively, I agree to the following:

1. To promote the mission of the organization;
2. To become knowledgeable about GEDCO & Stadium Place, its committees, programs, finances and governance structure and, where applicable, the specific tasks of the committee on which I actively serve;
3. To provide governance for the organization, including setting policy, creating vision and programmatic guidelines;
4. To provide strategic direction in partnership with the management of the organization;
5. To be an advocate for GEDCO & Stadium Place, for our clients and staff, for each other and for the community at large;
6. To come to meetings well prepared having read any information provided in advance about issues on the agenda, and to engage in thoughtful and honest discussion on all topics that come before the Board;
7. To bring ideas and opportunities to the Board for consideration whenever appropriate;
8. To hold in trust the financial position of the organization;
9. To make a good faith effort to attend special events, public forums, programs, board retreats, trainings and all board meetings. Understanding the importance of consistent attendance at board meetings, I will have no more than two unexcused absences in a 12 month period. If I am unable to meet this requirement, I understand that I may be asked to resign from the board;
10. To make financial and other contributions to GEDCO & Stadium Place according to your personal ability and circumstances and to encourage others to do so as well;
(GEDCO and Stadium Place Board Directors agree to secure a suggested amount of \$2000 per fiscal year. This amount includes some level of personal financial contribution to meet 100% board member giving.)
11. To serve on and actively participate in at least one committee of the Board or be an active volunteer at one of the programs or for a special project; and,
12. To be an advocate for GEDCO & Stadium Place and its programs and to enhance our presence in the Baltimore community and, if through my service on the Board I represent an organization or faith community as a Board member, I will coordinate an exchange of information with this group.

Signature: _____

Date: _____