



Board Mentoring Program

At the time of election, each new director will be assigned a Board Mentor. The Mentor is asked to call and welcome the new board member and be available to them at and between Board meetings as a resource. Mentors should be prepared to answer questions, introduce new directors to Board members they have not met, and provide some historical context for board discussions.

Mentors responsibilities will include:

- Meet with new Board member on a regular basis.
- Courtesy follow up phone call after the first three or four Board meetings to answer any questions.
- Provide overall guidance to new Board member.
- Sit next to new board member at his/her first three or four Board meetings.
- Introduce new board member to existing Board members.

In addition to being assigned a mentor, all new directors are invited to a reception hosted by the Governance Committee to meet a few other board members.

An Orientation is available and helpful for either a group or individually to review:

- Overview of animal welfare field and issues.
- Review of Board responsibilities.
- Overview of League departments and programs.
- Overview of upcoming League events.
- Shelter Tour