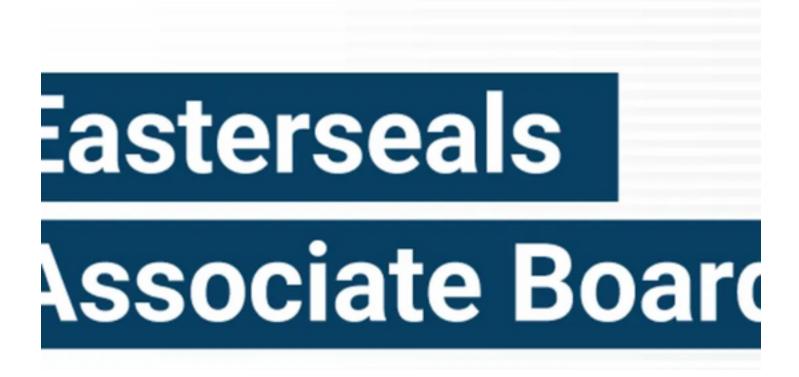


## **Looking for Candidates for our Associate Board**

Nov 13, 2023



We are looking for candidates to become members of our Associate Board. The Associate Board will bring together leaders age 40 and younger who are passionate about and interested in the work and mission of Easterseals serving Chicagoland and Greater Rockford. Learn more and fill out a short application.

Easterseals Serving Chicagoland and Greater Rockford is looking for qualified, energetic candidates to join our Associate Board during a rebuilding phase and beyond. These are voluntary positions.



The Associate Board is a developmental opportunity to learn about board service and support an amazing organization.

Please note that ECR staff members cannot be on either the Associate Board or Board of Directors per the bylaws.

If you are interested in this position, please fill out this short apolication.

# Rationale for the Easterseals serving Chicagoland and Greater Rockford Associate Board

ECR recognizes the importance of building the leadership, engagement, and interest of early career professionals in the organization's work. The Associate Board serves as a pathway to building a trajectory of young professionals who may become candidates for the Board of Directors, provides leadership opportunities, deepens sources of philanthropy, and cultivates volunteers.

### Strategic Focus of the Associate Board: Charge

The Easterseals Associate Board has three primary functions:

- 1. Leadership. Build leadership of Associate Board members, to cultivate young professionals for their development and engagement in Easterseals;
- 2. Volunteerism. Contribute to the creation of a cadre of volunteers to contribute to Easterseals programs and events;
- 3. Advocacy. Encourage members to leverage professional and personal relationships to disseminate information about Easterseals' work and contributions.

#### **Associate Board Membership**

The Associate Board will bring together leaders age 40 and younger who are passionate about and interested in the work and mission of Easterseals serving Chicagoland and Greater Rockford. Members will receive invitations to join the Associate Board from the Associate Board Chair and the President & CEO of Easterseals serving Chicagoland and Rockford. The Associate Board will meet quarterly and host additional events throughout the year.



Any Associate Board Officer may be removed from her/his position for cause by the President & CEO of Easterseals serving Chicagoland and Greater Rockford.

#### Goals for 2024-25

- Charge. Review, scrutinize, edit, and then embrace, the charge.
- Convene. Meet quarterly, starting in September 2024.
- Planning. Create a longer-term plan for Associate Board activities.
- About the Easterseals Associate Board