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**BECOME A
LIBRARY
BOARD
MEMBER**

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Are you a passionate individual who cares about library and gallery services in your community?

Are you:

- interested in making a positive difference in your community
- enthusiastic about working with other board members, the CEO, and staff
- able to attend monthly board meetings and committee meetings
- an Idea Exchange member or interested in learning about library and gallery services

Additional Skills:

- finance/legal
- human resources
- business generalist
- previous board experience an asset



WHAT DOES THE CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD DO?

The Library Board is legally responsible for the organization and is the employer for the staff

The board makes informed decisions that focus on matters of governance, this includes:

- strategy and oversight
- CEO support and oversight
- financial stewardship and accountability
- policy framework
- advocacy
- employer obligations

HOW DO I APPLY?

- The City of Cambridge welcomes applications from those interested in becoming a Library Board member;
- Applications can be completed online <https://www.cambridge.ca/en/your-city/Committees-and-Boards.aspx> or are available in person at the City Clerk's Office;
- Applications will be reviewed by City Council when appointments to the Library Board become vacant.

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW BEFORE APPLYING?

How much time is required?

- Board members can expect to spend at least four (4) hours each month on board business (attending regular meetings, committee meetings, committee work and reviewing board documents).

How long is a board term?

- The board term is four (4) years, and runs concurrently with the term of council. The term officially ends when a new board is appointed by council.

Library Board members must be:

- At least 18 years old
- A Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada
- A resident of the City of Cambridge
- Not employed by the City of Cambridge or Idea Exchange.