

InterFaith Alliance of the Southwest

Council Member Role Description (Volunteer Leadership Position)

About the Organization

The InterFaith Alliance of the Southwest builds bridges across religious, spiritual, and cultural differences by fostering understanding, reducing prejudice, and strengthening community collaboration. Through dialogue, partnerships, and community initiatives, the organization works to create a more inclusive and connected Southwest.

Role Summary

Council Members serve as trusted advisors, ambassadors, and supporters of the organization's mission. They provide strategic guidance, strengthen community relationships, and contribute their expertise to help the organization grow and serve diverse communities effectively.

Key Responsibilities

Leadership & Strategic Guidance

- Participate actively in council meetings and discussions
- Help shape priorities, goals, and long-term direction
- Share professional, community, or faith-based expertise

Program & Community Support

- Provide input on programs and initiatives
- Attend gatherings & events regularly
- Help connect the organization with speakers, partners, and resources

Community Engagement

- Build relationships with faith communities, civic organizations, and community partners
- Expand awareness and encourage broad participation
- Identify opportunities for collaboration

Fundraising & Sustainability

- Help identify potential supporters, donors, or sponsors
- Make introductions and support outreach efforts
- Consider a personal contribution at a level meaningful to you

Commitment

- Serve a 2 year term (renewable)
- Commit approximately 6-10 hours per month
- Attend meetings consistently
- Participate on at least one team or initiative
- Be engaged in and responsive to Council communications.
- Stay informed through organizational updates

Desired Qualities

Council Members who bring curiosity, integrity, and a commitment to relationship-building. Experience in leadership, nonprofit work, education, faith communities, or civic engagement is helpful but not required.

Guiding Values

Council Members are expected to model humility, active listening, respect, curiosity, compassion, and a commitment to dialogue.