



**GILDA'S CLUB  
GREATER TORONTO**  
An Affiliate of the  
CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY

Board Member  
Gilda's Toronto  
*Volunteer Position*

“There are those who open their hearts to others... who never think twice about giving of themselves. They are the wonderful, warm-hearted people who make all the difference in our lives.” - Gilda Radner –

**If you can imagine yourself helping people live, while living with cancer, then Gilda's Toronto is the place for you.**

### **Who We Are**

Cancer is complex. At Gilda's Toronto, our philosophy is simple: we believe everyone living with cancer and their families should have a welcoming, supportive and inclusive community to rely on, cost-free, throughout their unique emotional journey. We ensure that they receive the highly individualized, social, emotional and mental health support they deserve.

Whether having received a cancer diagnosis or being a member of someone's personal support team, including the children and teens of those living with cancer, we're passionate about providing emotional support that's sometimes overlooked during cancer care. It can mean the difference between dread and hope. Loneliness and belonging. Isolation and connectedness. It's at the heart of Gilda's mission to make certain a person feels a measure of relief, reassurance and togetherness every day. Our commitment to comprehensive youth programming is a defining aspect of Gilda's Toronto and one more way we work towards a world where everyone can live, while living with cancer.

Our holistic approach is unique - meticulously designed to dovetail with medical treatments through personalized education and lifestyle improvement. We understand the power of feeling that there's an entire, caring community of support. By working with our community, with intention and empathy, our patients and their personal support team gain a sense of empowerment. They live with less isolation and stress. With more control.

Our therapeutic programs and services are evidence-based and delivered by mental health professionals. We begin by identifying important concerns across key areas of patients' lives and screen for risk of clinical depression and anxiety. This enables us to provide truly tailored, individualized support. We guide people towards the most relevant mind and body programs and activities available at Gilda's Toronto, so each person can choose their own personalized options.

Gilda's Toronto is a community that has been welcoming people from all walks of life since 2001. We celebrate diversity in age, gender, race, and socio-economic status so that everyone can access the best possible support. Diversity helps us carry on Gilda Radner's commitment that no one should face cancer alone.



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## Position Overview

As a Board Member at Gilda's Toronto, you play a vital role in ensuring that no one faces cancer alone. Board Members help steward an organization rooted in compassion, community, and evidence-based care—supporting people and families as they live, while living with cancer.

Gilda's Toronto is seeking Board Members with strong strategic and critical thinking skills who are energetic, curious, and deeply aligned with our purpose of helping people achieve the greatest possible quality of life. Ideal candidates bring thoughtful leadership, sound judgment, and a collaborative spirit, and embody Gilda's Toronto's core values of compassion, integrity, inclusion, collaboration, and excellence.

Board Members are partners in sustaining the health and longevity of the organization by helping build meaningful relationships, raise awareness, and strengthen community support. This includes participating in fundraising and friend-raising efforts that are grounded in connection, trust, and shared commitment to our mission.

We are seeking candidates with a range of lived experiences, professional expertise, and perspectives, and encourage individuals from diverse backgrounds to apply. A variety of Board competencies are being sought, and interested candidates are invited to share how their skills and experience can support Gilda's Toronto and the community we serve.

Specifically, we are seeking candidates with experience in one or more of the following areas:

1. **Fundraising:** With a passion for fundraising and an established network, this individual will support the Board and the Development Committee to drive donor engagement and expand our support base. They will provide leadership in shaping fundraising strategies, building relationships with key stakeholders, and ensuring the financial sustainability of our programs.
2. **Public Relations:** This role requires expertise in media relations to help generate awareness and amplify our message across key audiences. As a critical member of the Board and the Marketing and Communications Committee, the candidate will lead efforts to secure earned media, enhance public engagement, and align paid and earned media strategies to strengthen our brand presence.
3. **Healthcare:** We are seeking a dedicated healthcare professional with a clinical or administrative background who understands the evolving landscape of healthcare in the GTA. This individual will bring valuable insights into how healthcare changes impact communities and will support our efforts to address cancer-related needs by leveraging their connections within the healthcare sector.
4. **Finance and Accounting:** A finance and accounting professional with a CPA or CA designation, this individual will join the Board and the Finance Committee to provide expert financial oversight. They will play a key role in overseeing financial operations, financial reporting, and budget planning to support the long-term growth of our charity.



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## **Scope of Commitment**

Members of the Board interact with, advise, and collaborate with the Executive Director of Gilda's Toronto. They fundraise on behalf of the organization through various events, campaigns and sponsorship opportunities. Board Members are also donors who make a personal gift to the organization annually. Members of the Board engage and actively contribute to committees and meetings of the Board and are ambassadors for Gilda's Toronto community.

Employment Type:	Volunteer Position
Maximum Board Size:	20
Length of Term:	3 years, renewable twice
Board Meetings Per Year:	9 – 11
Meeting Details:	Tuesdays; noon time; approximately every 6 – 8 weeks
Board Meeting Location:	Virtually via Zoom with 1 – 3 meetings in person
Hourly Commitment:	5 – 8 hours per month
Additional Responsibilities:	Join 1 – 2 Board committees, including Marketing & Communications, Development, HR & Governance, Strategy, Finance & Audit committees

## **How to Apply**

If you are interested in becoming involved with the Board of Gilda's Toronto, which has an impact on our community well beyond its size and years of operation, we want to hear from you!

Interested candidates should send an email with the subject line "Board Recruitment" including reference to the competency you align with. Please attach your resume and cover letter and send directly to: [info@gildasclubtoronto.org](mailto:info@gildasclubtoronto.org).

### **Application deadline: June 30, 2026**

We are deeply grateful for your pursuit of leadership volunteerism and your expression of interest. We are truly appreciative of the time you commit to the application process – but our limited capacity will only allow for those candidates selected for an interview to be contacted. We thank all applicants for their interest in volunteering with Gilda's Toronto.