

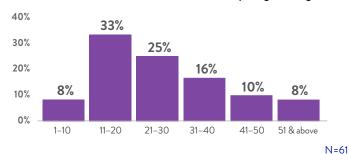
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BOARD COMPOSITION & TERMS

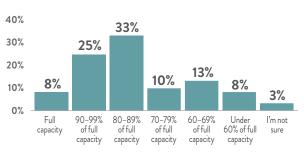
Orgs Have 11–30 Active Trustees/Board Members

Number of active trustees/board members across your governing board



Boards are at 80-99% Capacity

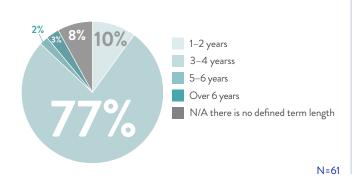
What is the current state of your board capacity?



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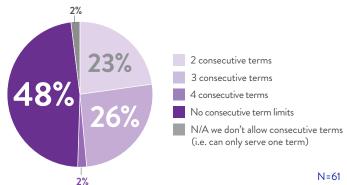
Term Lengths Typically 3-4 Years

Typical length of one board member term



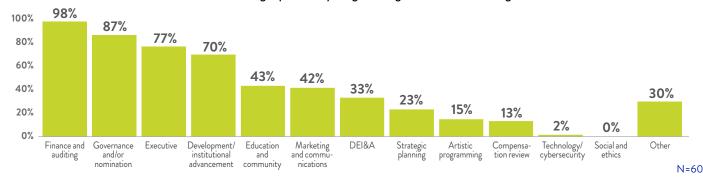
Most Orgs Have No Consecutive Term Limits

Maximum Number of Consecutive Terms for Board Members



Orgs Have Finance, Governance, & Executive Committees

For which of the following topics does your governing board have a standing committee?





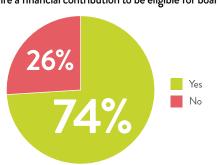
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BOARD FUNDRAISING

Most Orgs Require Financial Contributions

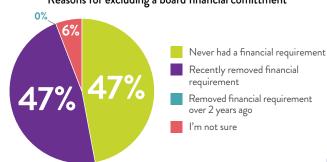
Do you require a financial contribution to be eligible for board service?



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Those Without Required Financial Contributions Never Had or Recently Removed Them

Reasons for excluding a board financial comittment



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Most Orgs Have Maintained their Required Financial Contribution

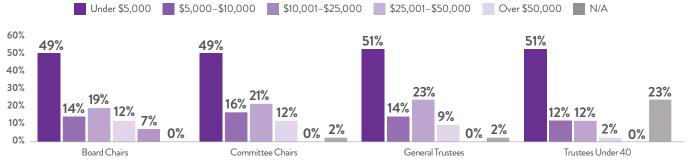
How has your financial contribution requirement changed in the last 3 years?



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Most Annual Giving Requirements are <\$5,000

What is your current minimum annual giving requirement for a board member?



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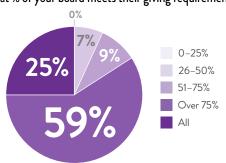
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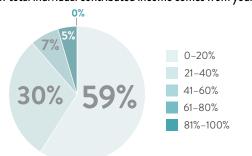
Most Board Members Meet Giving Requirements

What % of your board meets their giving requirements?



<20% of Total Individual Contributed Income Comes from Boards

What % of total individual contributed income comes from your board?



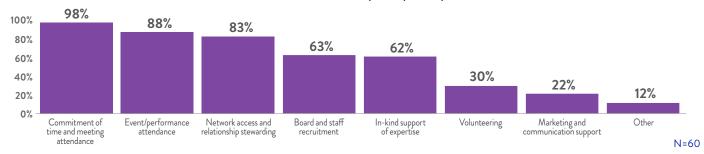
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BOARD POLICIES & CHANGES

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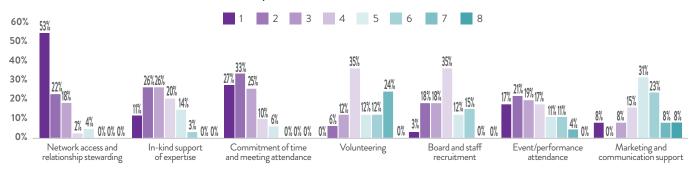
Orgs Require Meeting & Event Attendance

What non-financial resources do you require of your board?



Networking Access & Relationship Stewarding is Most Critical Resource

Which required non-financial resources are most critical?



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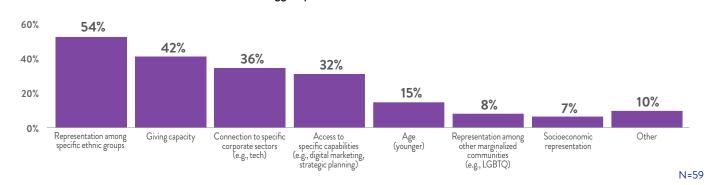
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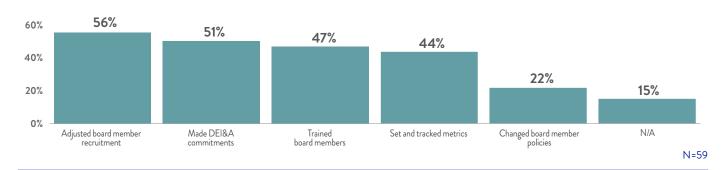
Ethnic Representation is Highest Priority in New Member Recruitment

Current biggest priorities in board member recruitment



Most Orgs Have Adjusted Board Member Recruitment

Actions taken to diversify board in last 2 years



Most Orgs Have Review of Annual Fundraising Support

Do you have procedures in place to evaluate board performance & involvement?

