



Boston Food Access Council Steering Committee Candidate Form

Running for the Boston Food Access Council (BFAC) Steering Committee is an opportunity available to all interested individuals; candidates are elected by the Voting Members of the BFAC. As a Steering Committee member you will be responsible for soliciting input from all BFAC Members and Working Groups to define policy priorities, provide strategic direction, and guide and govern the BFAC. The BFAC Steering Committee will be comprised of 9 members, including 2 co-chairs, attendance at 6 planning meetings and 3 of 4 BFAC meetings a year is expected.

To enter yourself into the running for a seat on the BFAC Steering Committee, take the following **two steps**:

1. Complete and submit this form by **November 8th**. Email bostonfoodaccesscouncil@boston.gov with questions.
 - a. Either fill out this form online at <https://forms.gle/UffQ55m2WgCuiZeg8> or print this document and mail it addressed to: Boston City Hall, 1 City Hall Square, Room 806 - Office of Food Access, Boston, MA, 02201
2. Qualify as a BFAC **Voting** Member.
 - a. BFAC Voting Members are BFAC Members who have attended 2 of the previous 4 BFAC meetings. Anyone can be a BFAC Member by completing another simple form. Ask someone at a BFAC meeting, visit boston.gov/food, call 617-635-3717, or email bostonfoodaccesscouncil@boston.gov for the BFAC Membership Form.

PLEASE NOTE: If you work for the City of Boston you cannot run for the BFAC Steering Committee or be a BFAC Member, but you can become a Subject-Matter Expert for the BFAC or participate on a Working Group. Please contact OFA for more information.

BFAC Steering Committee elections will occur on Dec. 4, 2019.

More details on the BFAC Steering Committee and overall BFAC structure can be found on the last two pages of this document.

Please take your time to fill out this form. This information will be used to showcase your background and the value you can bring to the BFAC as a leader, which will be used by BFAC voting members in order to cast their votes for the Steering Committee.

**The information you provide in this application may be used for promotional purposes along with information from other Steering Committee candidates in advance of the BFAC Steering Committee vote. These promotions may include email and social media promotions and will be targeted towards the BFAC Membership

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and the Boston community in general. If you do not want us to include your information in those promotions, please let us know**

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone or other preferred contact method: _____

Zip Code (Home for Individuals, Work for Organizational Representative): _____

Submit a headshot (optional): Email bostonfoodaccesscouncil@boston.gov or send a physical copy with this form

Are you applying as an:

- Individual:** A community member, representing yourself and your community, and bringing to the table your background both personal and professional.

OR

- Organizational Representative:** As a representative of your organization you bring the support and advocacy of said organization to the BFAC. You will be asked to supply a letter of support from your organization. You may also designate a Delegate to ensure continued representation of the Organization in the event of your own absence or departure.

Current Title & Organization(s) (if applicable) *

Please include anything you feel is relevant (eg student, Intern, Fellow, Director, Consultant, etc)

What is your connection to Boston that makes you interested to be a member of the BFAC Steering Committee? _____

What experience do you have (including personal/life experience or professional experience) that you feel qualifies you to lead the BFAC towards progress? _____



What food issues do you think are most pressing and impacting the Boston community?

What connections do you have (in the community, among your peers and colleagues, through your work, etc.) that could potentially help the BFAC have a strong outreach and/or advocacy platform? _____

Please provide a 2-3 sentence pitch for why you are a good candidate for the BFAC Steering Committee. This will be used to promote yourself to the community that will vote for you.

Sector(s) I represent/work in (Select all that apply) *

Check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Labor: representing the interests of workforce | <input type="checkbox"/> Food Access and Emergency Food |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organizer | <input type="checkbox"/> Research (university included) | <input type="checkbox"/> Community/Economic Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boston Resident | <input type="checkbox"/> Health and Nutrition Advocacy | <input type="checkbox"/> Restaurant Group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boston Business Community | <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture, food production, land use | <input type="checkbox"/> Food Entrepreneurs | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food waste and recovery | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth: youth serving and youth leadership organizations | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Composting/soil | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental sustainability | | |

