



# Arlington Tomorrow Foundation

## **Advisory Committee Application**

**Deadline: Friday, August 5, 2022, 5:00 p.m.**

**Overview:** Created by the Arlington City Council in 2007, the Arlington Tomorrow Foundation is a permanent charitable endowment with a mission to contribute to a thriving Arlington. Our grants support the programs and projects of the City of Arlington and of the non-profits serving Arlington. Through our grant activities, the Foundation focuses on efforts designed to address the needs of Arlington families, improve our natural surroundings, and enhance the lifestyle of the city.

**Advisory Committee Role:** The Foundation is governed by a nine-member Board of Directors comprised of currently elected City of Arlington Council members and the mayor. The Foundation's Board has authorized a five-member Advisory Committee to assist the Board in its grant-making activities. Specifically, the Committee's role includes reviewing and assessing Letters of Inquiry and final applications received from local non-profit groups and City of Arlington Departments seeking grant awards and making recommendations on those grant requests to the Board of Directors. Final grant decisions rest with the Board of Directors.

**Committee Objective:** The Foundation board anticipates that the Advisory Committee will reflect the City's unique characteristics and diversity. For that reason, the board seeks candidates throughout the city who bring varying professional and volunteer backgrounds, some firsthand experience with philanthropy, represent geographically diverse areas of Arlington and, through their skill sets, help offer balance to the committee's structure.

Ideal candidates should bring to the role a broad knowledge of Arlington and an understanding of the ways to improve the quality of life for all us who call Arlington home. The committee will be responsible for reviewing grant applications from local non-profit organizations and City of Arlington departments to ensure that projects and programs are aligned with the Foundation's mission and funding priorities. Advisory Committee recommendations will be presented to the Foundation's Board of Directors for approval.

**Committee Eligibility:** All committee members must be Arlington residents who are eligible to vote and who are not in arrears in the payment of any taxes or other liability due to the City. "Liability due the City" shall include but not limited to utility payment that is 90 days overdue and a payment plan is not in place; a municipal court citation that has gone into warrant; or any other liability where the person has been provided notice of payment is due to the City and such payment has not been made within the prescribed timeframe. The full Board of Directors shall approve each appointment to the Advisory Committee.

**Responsibilities and Terms:** Arlington Tomorrow Foundation Advisory Committee members are expected to meet at least nine times a year. Committee members shall serve a term of two years, and no individual shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive, two-year terms at a time. After completion of two consecutive, two-year terms, an individual shall be eligible for another term after a year has passed.

*Please return application by 8/5/22 to:*

Arlington Tomorrow Foundation

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• Arlington, Texas 76004 • or scan and email to: [carolyn.mentessana@arlingtontx.gov](mailto:carolyn.mentessana@arlingtontx.gov), 817-459-6419

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last Name)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Home) (Work) (Cell) (Fax)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  Male  Female

Race/Ethnicity:  Black/African American  Asian  White  Hispanic or Latino  
 American Indian or Alaskan Native  Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

Qualified Voter:  Yes  No Current Arlington Resident:  Yes  No *If yes, number of years: \_\_\_\_\_*

Company (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

As a way to help our board become more familiar with your background and qualifications for this role, please answer the following questions:

1. Please list recent community activities in which you have been involved. Please elaborate on your involvement in the organization(s) and describe your role in the group.

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2. Please tell us how you have been active in non-profit, foundation or other philanthropic activities in Arlington (if applicable).

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3. Please provide a brief description of your current or former business experience (if applicable).

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4. Tell us your view of the role philanthropy plays in our community.

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5. How did you learn about the Citizen’s Advisory Committee opening?

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6. The Arlington Tomorrow Foundation’s Advisory Committee meets at least once a month, usually during a working lunch. Are you able to dedicate as many as two hours a month to your role on this committee? \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for your interest in the Arlington Tomorrow Foundation and for your willingness to be considered as a candidate for the Foundation’s Advisory Committee. The Foundation’s board makes appointments to the committee as positions are available. Please notify the Arlington Tomorrow Foundation for specific information on timing of committee appointments and procedures.*

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