

Frequently Asked Questions about Serving on the CAC Board as a Low-income Representative.

What does CAC do? The mission of CAC is “to develop economic and social capacities of individuals families and communities to reduce poverty in Dane, Jefferson and Waukesha Counties.” CAC works with people to help them have better lives through a variety of programs and services.

Do I have to be low-income myself to qualify? No. All you need to qualify to serve in this capacity is an understanding of poverty issues affecting people and their communities.

Do I have to live in the county I would represent? “All board members shall reside or be employed in the county they represent,” according to CAC by-laws.

How often does the board meet? “At a minimum the board shall meet at least six times (a year) and at least every ten weeks,” according to CAC by-laws. Meetings rotate among the three counties. Generally, the meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of the month, from 6-8 pm.

What if I need help with gas money? Reimbursement for mileage or other eligible expenses is provided.

What is the time commitment? Members are expected to attend monthly meetings and help in other ways, as time permits.

Do I have to have experience on a board in order to serve on the CAC board? No experience is required for this position, just a desire to help people have better lives.

Have other questions? Contact Greta Hansen, Executive Director at (608) 246-4730 ext. 217, or Richard Wildermuth, Secretary of the Board, at (608) 819-0031.