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Building Your Personal Board of Directors

Imagine "you" are a nonprofit organization!

How would you define your professional mission and vision statements?

Why are you committed to working in the nonprofit sector as a development professional?

What do you hope to accomplish?

Definitions: Mission: "I am…" statement | Vision: "I will…" statement

How would you align a board of directors to help you achieve your mission and vision?

Four Categories:

1. **Sector Experts** – Leaders in your current sector or in an aspirational sector
2. **Technical Experts** – Individuals who have specific tactical knowledge you value
3. **Aspirational Advisors** – Position/experience advisors (not necessarily in your sector)
4. **Personal Advisors/Confidants** – Those you trust to help you work through challenges

Mission: _____

Vision: _____

Current Members of Your Personal Board

Name	Org/Affiliation	Focus/Advice

Aspirational Members of Your Personal Board

Name	Org/Affiliation	Focus/Advice