

Help Shape the Future of the Niagara-on-the-Lake (NOTL) Chamber of Commerce. Join our Board of Directors!

Are you passionate about driving community growth, supporting local businesses, and shaping the future of our business community? The Niagara-on-the-Lake (NOTL) Chamber of Commerce has recently transitioned into an independent organization from Tourism NOTL.

As a result, the NOTL Chamber of Commerce is seeking nine (9) new board members who will play a pivotal role in:

- Develop and guide the NEW strategic direction of the Chamber
- Advocate for business-friendly initiatives and policies
- Collaborate with other leaders to strengthen the local economy
- Represent the diverse needs and interests of our members

2025 will bring exciting changes to the NOTL Chamber of Commerce. Our goals include, but are not limited to:

- Provide opportunities for our members to connect, showcase their businesses, and exchange innovative ideas and valuable opportunities
- Facilitate and promote business, trade, and commerce opportunities to access all levels of education and training for professional development.
- Recognize outstanding achievements in business, trade, and commerce in NOTL
- Ensure the business community is aware of the benefits and privileges of Chamber membership and implement new opportunities to ensure the continued growth of Chamber membership.
- Lobby government in a non-confrontational, independent manner at the local level to further facilitate business, trade, and commerce to grow and prosper.

Ideal Candidates

Candidates will preferably have previous experience serving on a Board of Directors and/or a Not-for-Profit Committee. In an effort to continually reflect the diversity and vibrancy of the NOTL business community, the Chamber is currently recruiting business leaders in the following sectors:

- Accommodation
- Agriculture
- Arts/Culture/Heritage
- Construction
- Craft Beverages and Wineries
- Culinary
- Industrial
- Professional/Commercial
- Retail

Added consideration will be given to experience or expertise in the following areas: finance, legal, strategy, human resources, community relations/public affairs, marketing, and starting and expanding your own business (owner/operator).

Candidates should demonstrate the following characteristics:

- Be a strong champion for the NOTL Chamber of Commerce and act as an ambassador for the NOTL business community
- Hold senior status within their company
- Be active in the NOTL business community
- Be willing to work in a strictly confidential environment governed by a non-disclosure agreement
- Be a strong collaborator
- Be an up-to-date paid NOTL Chamber member in good standing
- Be prepared to attend regularly scheduled Board meetings and other meetings as required
- Actively support and attend events and other activities offered by the NOTL Chamber

Terms are 2 years beginning March 2025 with options for renewal.

Application Process

If you are ready to make a difference and leave a lasting legacy, please send your resume and cover letter to <u>careers@niagaraonthelake.com</u> no later than **Friday, January 24, 2024, at 4:00 pm.**

Thank you in advance.