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## Board Members



# About – Métis Voyageur Development Fund

Established in June 2011, the Métis Voyageur Development Fund (“MVDF”) is a highly respected Métis owned and controlled economic development agency, operating independently, whose sole mandate is to provide funding and support to Ontario Métis businesses.

- We are here to support Métis entrepreneurs.
- Businesses, where at least one of the owners are Métis and holds 50% or more of the business, can access support through MVDF.
- MVDF seeks to maintain its loan capital base in order to strengthen the Métis economy through Métis owned and controlled business.

In order to make strategic investments in Métis entrepreneurs and Métis businesses throughout the province of Ontario, the MVDF was established to support and stimulate Métis economic development opportunities by accessing and leveraging financial resources from various levels of government and the private sector.

MVDF works closely with its Funding Partners and its Financing Partners. Their Funding Partners include:



While their Financing Partners include:



To learn more about MVDF, please visit: <https://www.mvdf.ca/>



## Governance Structure

The Board of Directors is responsible for the independent and objective stewardship and oversight of the management of the MVDF. The Board is responsible for overseeing the establishment and maintenance of processes that ensure organizational compliance with the applicable laws and regulations as well as its own policies and relevant internal controls.

Board Members meet six (6) to ten (10) times annually for half a day by video or teleconference to contribute to the evaluation and approval of lending opportunities presented by management and ensure that all decisions are made in a manner consistent with the Fund's strategic direction and policies.

The Board meetings are held four (4) times a year for a day in person and may be held at the head office of the organization located in Ottawa or any place within Ontario. Board Members receive an honorarium for meetings, and the costs of travel are reimbursed.



## Board Director Profile

Currently, MVDF is seeking a Board Member(s) who is recognized as a Métis citizen, who is a resident of Ontario, and who can commit to a two (2) or three (3) year term with the possibility of renewal.

The ideal candidate will have a demonstrated career history as an entrepreneur with experience starting and growing a business and/or demonstrated increased leadership skills in a relevant senior management role with the following skills and/or knowledge:

- Demonstrate previous board or committee experience combined with strong knowledge and understanding of best practices in governance;
- Ability to read and evaluate financial statements and business plans;
- Experience and willingness to work effectively and collaboratively with Métis communities or organizations and honour Métis culture and traditions; and
- Ability to attend all meetings and the necessary time commitment and travel throughout Ontario.



## Application Process

If you would like to contribute your expertise as a Board Member of this well-respected economic development agency and the advancement and growth of Métis businesses in Ontario, we invite you to submit your resume and cover letter outlining your interest in joining the MVDF Board of Directors in confidence to Brenda LaRose at Leaders International Executive Search by January 14th, 2022.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Brenda LaRose directly:

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The Board of Directors will review all applications, and the appointment of the Board Members will be made before the end of March 2022.

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