

Focusing on Life Overlooked

### We are seeking board members!



Are we a match?

What excites You?

A passion for biodiversity and conservation? A passion for visual media and wildlife photography? A passion for local and global community service? A passion for non-profit service? A passion for leadership and volunteerism?

### • What excites us? (Our Mission):

To conserve life overlooked in underserved places by facilitating and engaging in education, stewardship, fiscal sponsorship, and research with local partners and an international network of conservationists, citizens, scientists, and photographers.

The Biodiversity Group is currently seeking candidates to join our Board of Directors. If what excites you matches what excites us, we would love to hear from you. We are a passionate and multi-talented group of dedicated volunteers seeking to expand our capacity and abilities. To that end, we are soliciting *highly reliable* people living near Tucson, AZ, or anywhere with an internet connection, with diverse life experiences who would like to join the board of an established nonprofit with global scope

#### and impact and to gather forces with a fun bunch of people!



### **Board Headquarters:**

Tucson, Arizona, USA

### • Locations We Serve:

United States, Ecuador, Vietnam, Mexico, Bangladesh, Democratic Republic of Congo, and the Caribbean

### Board Responsibilities:

Prospective members can expect a fast-paced, hands-on experience. Board members serve two-year terms, participate on committees, provide a flexible annual financial contribution of personal significance, and are centrally involved in organizational fundraising. Non-local candidates will be welcomed if able to travel to Tucson, AZ or video conference for meetings. Opportunities for greater leadership and experience - through the roles of Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary - are open to any Board member.

Current Board members average 5-10 hours per month of service to The Biodiversity Group and we meet in person an average of 4-6 times per year.

## You can lend your expertise to make our shared vision a reality:

To foster an effective, efficient, and connected conservation sector which elevates the profile of life overlooked to ensure conservation of biodiversity in all its forms.

### Minimum Qualifications:

Strong applicants should be able to persuade, facilitate and build consensus among diverse individuals and stakeholders. Specific qualifications we're looking for are:

- Commitment to fundraising for the organization via any of the following: individual solicitations, corporate gifts and sponsorships, underwriting, donations of goods, grant writing, and new ideas;
- Demonstrated leadership experience in business, government, philanthropy or the nonprofit sectors;
- Previous board experience is highly desired;
- Passion for biodiversity and the value of visual media in conservation;
- Strong interpersonal skills, tact, integrity and a natural affinity for cultivating relationships;
- Willingness to understand and empathize with different cultures;
- A highly accountable professional attitude.



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### **Desired Skills & Experience:**

Ideal board candidates will bring a collection of skills, experience, and expertise from the public, private, and/or non-profit sectors, which may include:

- Law
- Accountancy & Financial Management
- Business & Corporate Leadership
- Development of Donors/ Sponsors
- Marketing (web/email/print/ publicity/press)
- Travel, residence, work
  experience or ancestry in the countries we work in
- Video & Documentary Production & Distribution

### How to Apply

Please send an email with CV or resume to: <a href="mailto:info@biodiversitygroup.org">info@biodiversitygroup.org</a> and describe:

- Your specific motivation for seeking a position on our Board of Directors
- Your previous service with other non-profits or NGOs
- The relevant skills you would bring to The Biodiversity Group
- For any questions and inquiries, you may also contact Scott Trageser, President and Executive Director of the Biodiversity Group, at (520) 780-7409.

# We look forward to hearing from you!

