

FRANCISCAN MINISTRIES BOARD

Board of Directors Application Form

Personal Information

Name (First, Middle, Last): Basette Anthony Smith II			
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Current Employment Information

Occupation:	Social Services and Community Engagement		
Current Position:	Social Services and Community Engagement		
Current Employer:	Nehemiah Manufacturing Company		
Hire Date:	May 20, 2019		
Current Employer Street Address:	1907 South Street		
City: Cincinnati	State: OH	Zip: 45204	
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Past Employment Information and experience

<i>Next Most Recent</i>	
Name of Employer: Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health Services	Position: Mental Health Services, Supported Employment Team Leader
<i>Length of Employment</i> From: (mm/year) 12/2010	To: (mm/year) 05/2019
<i>Other</i>	
Name of Employer: Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati	Position: Coordinator, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) & Volunteer Lawyers Project (Housing Practice Group)
<i>Length of Employment</i> From: (mm/year) 08/2008	To: (mm/year) 09/2010

Present or Past Affiliations with Not for Profit Organizations

Organization: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Coalition	Role: Trainer	When: 2010-2015
Organization: AmeriCorps National and State, Corporation for National and Community Service	Role: Member	When: 2008-Present
Organization: Cincy Afterschool (Academy of World Languages)	Role: Program Facilitator, Teacher	When: 2010

Areas of Knowledge			
<i>Please mark (X) all items that apply to you.</i>			
Board Development & Training		Medical/Health Care	
Building Trades/Physical Plant		Personnel Management	X
Community Resources	X	Public/Community Relations	X
Cultural Diversity	X	Public Speaking	X
Economic Development	X	Research/Program Evaluation	X
Education	X	Strategic Planning	
Fundraising	X	Other Skill Areas (please specify):	
Financial Management		a.	
Law/Legal Affairs		b.	

Areas of Influence & Contacts			
<i>Please mark (X) all areas in which you have particular influence.</i>			
Corporate Sector	X	Social Service	X
Cosmetology		Religious Community	
Elder Care		Senior Care	
Financial Community		Small Businesses	X
Foundations		Youth/Young Adults	X
Government		Other Areas (please specify):	
Medical Community		a.	
Neighborhood Agencies	X	b.	

Highest Level of Education/Training Completed				
H.S./GED:___	Some College:___	Bachelor's:___	Master's: X	Other:___
Name of Degree or Other Training: Master of Arts, Educational Studies				

Voluntary Demographic Information					
<i>The following information is requested in an attempt to insure that our Board Profile meets our 990 requirements. Volunteers are considered for the Board without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability or marital status. The information you provide is optional.</i>					
Marital Status: Married X Single___ Widowed___			Gender: Female___ Male X		Birth Date: 02/13/1979
If married, what is your spouse's name? Joy Marie Smith				# of children, if any: 3	
Race:	Asian___	Black X	Native American___	White___	Other___
Ethnic Origins:	Appalachian___		Hispanic___	Other Jamaican	

Connection with Franciscan Ministries Inc. or the Franciscan Sisters of the Poor

1. How did you become acquainted with the Franciscan Ministries Inc. or Franciscan Sisters of the Poor?

I became familiar with Franciscan Ministries nearly 10 years ago during my time at Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health Services (GCB) on the Supported Employment team, when I connected with Haircuts from the Heart for a number of clients on my caseload. As I transitioned to a leadership role at GCB, I frequently directed my staff to utilize these services for clients preparing for job interviews.

Years later, I would become familiar with Centennial Barn, as my then fiancé and I were planning our wedding reception. Working with Mayo Woody during the planning led to a great friendship and partnership, which in turn led to collaborations on a number of projects for the Barn through my photography company (Brighton & Basette Photography). Since then, I've been involved in a number of Centennial Barn fundraising and marketing events.

2. Please describe why you would like to serve on the Franciscan Ministries Board of Directors.

At the heart of my work over the past 15 years has been a desire to lift up my community and to provide avenues for growth and advancement. As a practitioner and leader in mental health and supported employment services, I have been able to lend my skills and expertise in a variety of ways, utilizing a macro approach to problem-solving while also understanding the challenges of the work on a micro level. I enjoy asking questions, delving into difficult problems collaboratively to find solutions and will approach my work with the Franciscan Ministries Board in the same vein.

This experience extends to my current role in social services and community engagement with Nehemiah Manufacturing, a company on the leading edge of second chance employment and support services. My work with returning citizens experiencing significant barriers while employed (including housing, food insecurity, substance use, trauma, etc.) has been a true synergy of my skill set, and has further broadened my perspective on the challenges facing a largely underserved segment of our community. I would look forward to bringing this perspective to the Board.

Additionally, the connections I have made across many social service and community organizations are ones I believe could be leveraged for the benefit of Franciscan Ministries' mission.

But most importantly, in any situation, I have always endeavored to ensure that those who are routinely marginalized are given not just attention, but a voice. This, in my opinion, is critical in any organization that has as its aim the amelioration of social ills. I've seen firsthand the amazing work that Franciscan Ministries does on a daily basis, and look forward to being a part of furthering the mission going forward.



Signature of Applicant

02/07/2020

Date

Thank you for taking time to complete this application.

Please return to:

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