



Make a Difference in Your Community!

JOIN OUR BOARD

Are you passionate about environmental conservation, education, and community engagement? The Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation is seeking new board members who share our vision of a healthy, vibrant, and resilient Laguna and its watershed.

We seek passionate, committed board members to transform and sustain our organization. The Foundation's Board and staff have recently completed a new 5-year strategic plan and, in partnership with agencies, organizations, tribal government, and landowners, we recently completed a comprehensive restoration plan. As a board member, you will lend insight and guidance to our goals and strategies, operations, and financial management. You will be an emissary to the community, promoting the Laguna Foundation's work and cultivating financial support and collaborative partnerships. We are particularly seeking new members with expertise in financial management, philanthropy, public relations, and marketing/communications.

We are also seeking new members with lived experiences that represent the rich cultural and demographic diversity of all communities of Sonoma County. Our work is rooted in the value of diversity as we stand for equity, inclusion, and excellence within our organization and community through meaningful engagement that welcomes and respects all voices and perspectives.

What We Ask of You: Board terms are two years with a maximum of four consecutive terms. Board meetings are held six times annually. Our Board of Directors holds fiduciary and governance responsibility and strategic oversight for the Foundation. As a board member, you will:

- Provide strategic direction and oversight for the Foundation's programs and initiatives.
- Participate in fundraising efforts to support our mission and ensure financial sustainability.
- Represent the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation within the community and beyond.
- Collaborate with fellow board members and staff to advance our goals and objectives.
- Contribute your perspective to help inform and guide key initiatives and projects by participating on subject-matter committees.

Prior nonprofit board experience is not necessary. We welcome applicants from diverse backgrounds who bring fresh perspectives and unique skills to the Foundation. We have a process for on-boarding and engaging new members.



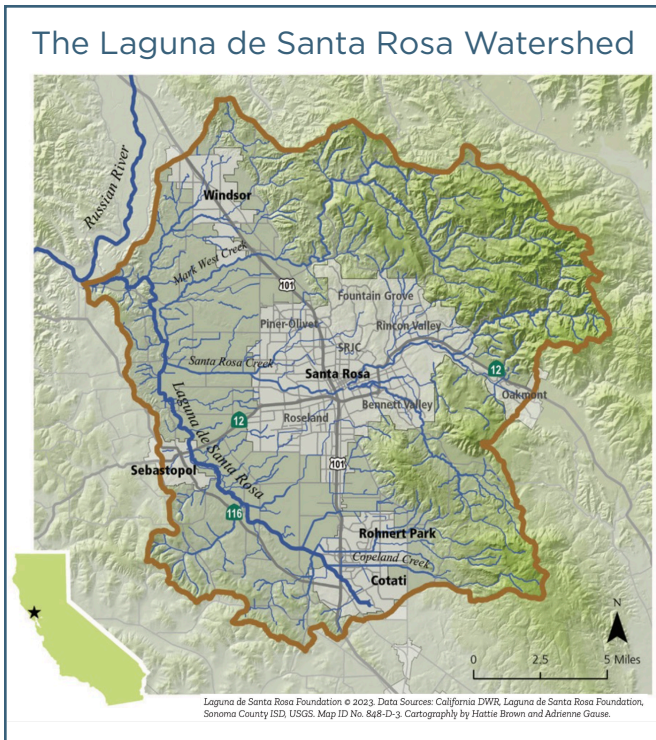
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The Laguna de Santa Rosa and the Work We Do...

Located in the heart of Sonoma County, the Laguna de Santa Rosa is a Wetland of International Importance.

Our mission is to steward habitats and inspire people to foster connection and contribute to a healthy environment throughout the Laguna de Santa Rosa watershed.

We work throughout the 254-square-mile watershed which encompasses five cities: Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park, Cotati, Sebastopol, and Windsor as well as rural agricultural lands and open space preserves including creeks, ponds, marshes, shaded riparian forests, and oak-studded vernal pool grasslands. The watershed collects rain from the surrounding mountains and hills, sends it through smaller creeks to the 22-mile Laguna de Santa Rosa, which then carries this water to the Russian River near Forestville and on to the Pacific Ocean. Acting as a natural flood basin, the Laguna de Santa Rosa protects our neighborhoods from severe storms.



Since 1989, the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation has been actively restoring and conserving habitats that benefit a diversity of fish, wildlife, and unique plants, educating youth and adults about the values of wetlands, and inspiring a connection to nature through community engagement. Through innovative stewardship, educational programs, and collaborative partnerships, we work to safeguard the health and biodiversity of this unique and valuable watershed where the majority of Sonoma County's residents call home.

Joining our Board of Directors offers a unique opportunity to make a meaningful impact on the environment and the community. You'll work alongside a passionate group of individuals committed to preserving the biological diversity of the Laguna de Santa Rosa for present and future generations. Your contributions will help drive our mission forward and foster a deeper connection between people and nature.

We'd love to hear from you!

How To Apply

If you are interested in becoming a board member, please submit your resume and a brief statement telling us why you wish to serve and how you envision contributing to our mission to **board@lagunafoundation.org** by December 20, 2024. We intend to onboard the first cohort of new members in Spring 2025. For more information about the position or the application process, please contact Clayton Creager at the email listed above.

Join us in making a difference. Help shape the future of the Laguna de Santa Rosa and support the health and beauty of our natural world!

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