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**THE BIG SHOULDERS FUND AUXILIARY BOARD
WELCOME MATERIALS 2023**



BIG SHOULDERS FUND AUXILIARY BOARD OVERVIEW



Our mission is to mobilize young professionals to support Big Shoulders Fund by organizing fundraising events, giving generously of our time, and by sharing our talents, experiences, and perspectives with Big Shoulders Fund's network of students, teachers, and schools.

**160+
Members**

**84 Scholars
Supported**

**5,000 +
Volunteer
Hours**

**7 Partner
Schools**

Founded in 2007, the Big Shoulders Fund Auxiliary Board is comprised of a group of young professionals dedicated to supporting the mission of Big Shoulders Fund through volunteering, outreach, and fundraising. They raise funds for the Auxiliary Board Scholarship which supports six schools and nearly 100 scholars annually across the City of Chicago.



Now in its 16th year, the Big Shoulders Fund Auxiliary Board has become one of the fastest growing young professional boards in Chicago. Currently, more than 160 active members are hosting events, volunteering, and engaging with our network of schools. Members have brought unparalleled dedication and boundless energy to Big Shoulders Fund's mission. As a member, you will play an active role in making a difference in the lives of 25,000 students at 72 Chicago schools.

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**Auxiliary
Board
Leadership**

Taylor Lear

Fundraising Committee Co-Chair

Jack Stibich

Schools Committee Co-Chair

Cameron Hilpert

Membership Committee Co-Chair

Cami Thompson

CAC Liaison

Marty O' Connor

Fundraising Committee Co-Chair

Annie Lawler

Schools Committee Co-Chair

Kevin Price

Membership Committee Co-Chair

Marie Kalas

Member-at-Large



AUXILIARY BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

As an Auxiliary Board member, there are so many ways you can share your time and talent with the 72 schools and 25,000 students Big Shoulders Fund supports. Our volunteer opportunities are designed to be convenient and flexible to your schedule. From mentoring a group of students during the day, purchasing a ticket to one of our key events that support the Auxiliary Board Scholarship Fund, or volunteering on a Saturday, there are many ways to give back. Auxiliary Board Members agree to the following:

- **REPRESENT** Big Shoulders Fund by attending one bi-annual All Member Meeting. Serve as an ambassador and champion of the mission through sharing stories, and encourage engagement to personal and professional networks.
- **ENGAGE** in at least one Auxiliary Board initiative throughout the year in one of the following categories: Students and/or Schools, Socials.
- **ATTEND** at least one event throughout the year outlined in the Socials category.
- **DONATE** your annual member contribution of \$100 which supports the Auxiliary Board Scholarship Fund that provides critical financial support to nearly 100 students annually.

- Mentor students
- Teach the Stock Market Program
- Fall Test Prep Program
- Teach the Law Program
- Mock Interviews

STUDENTS

- Give Back Days
- Serve on a School Board
- Join the Racing Team
- Plan a Service Day

SCHOOLS

- Monthly socials
- 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament
- Networking Speaker Series
- Big Shoulders Fund Annual Ball
- Bi-annual General Meeting

SOCIALS





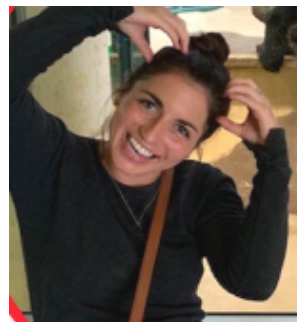
AUXILIARY BOARD MEMBER BENEFITS

The Big Shoulders Fund Auxiliary Board has been recognized by *Crain's Business Chicago* as one of the leading nonprofit young professional boards in the City. We work hard to provide members with an impactful and rewarding experience. Membership benefits include:

- **IMPACT** the lives of 25,000 students at 72 Big Shoulders Fund schools.
- **VOLUNTEER** with a variety of opportunities to build and expand your skill set.
- **NETWORK** with professionals from a wide variety of backgrounds and industries.
- **APPLY** for our annual mentorship program in collaboration with the Chairman's Advisory Council to strengthen your five year career plan.
- **GROW** your personal and professional network through many exclusive member only social events.
- **JOIN** a members only LinkedIn professional group.
- **RECEIVE** a members only newsletter to stay up to date with everything Big Shoulders Fund and Auxiliary Board.
- **SERVE** on a committee and support the future of the Auxiliary Board and Big Shoulders Fund.
- **ATTEND** Chairman's Advisory Council events through exclusive invites and network with senior level professionals.
- **RECEIVE** name recognition in Big Shoulders Fund's *Year-End Review* distributed to leading businesses and professionals annually.

"Years ago I attended a Big Shoulders Fund event, and met incredible people who were so passionate about the mission it inspired me to join! I greatly appreciate the flexibility to get involved in whatever way works best with my schedule and skill set. I also love the sense of community."

- Mary Leamy



"The Auxiliary Board was a great way to be more involved with an organization that I love. I'm excited to help shape its future."

- Alyssa Ling

"I love being a member and seeing the impact we make on schools through scholarships, and volunteer opportunities. It brings me joy to hear about the students' amazement when they arrive to see a newly painted classroom after a Give Back Day or witness their enthusiasms when discussing their stock picks during the Stock Market Program"

- Lauren Schick





Auxiliary Board Impact

Since its inception, the Auxiliary Board has raised more than \$1,000,000 in scholarships. 100% of annual member dues directly fund the **Auxiliary Board Scholarship** which supports students at seven partner schools in Chicago: Holy Angels School, St. Angela School, St. Sylvester School, Visitation School, Our Lady of Tepeyac Elementary School, Our Lady of Tepeyac High School, and Leo High School. On average, 70 percent of students attending a Big Shoulders Fund school are from low income families. For Auxiliary Board supported schools, the average is 78 percent. Your commitment helps to provide scholarships to some of our highest need students in communities with demonstrated need.

SCHOLARSHIP

- 85 students received an Auxiliary Board Scholarship in 2022-2023.
- \$125,000 was raised for scholarships in 2022-2023 through fundraising.
- 60% of Auxiliary Board Scholars are Hispanic / Latino, 36% are Black/African American.

SCHOOLS

- More than 60% of members volunteer at schools.
- \$125,000 was raised last year to support 7 Auxiliary Board schools.
- Members volunteered more than 1,000 hours of service totaling to \$28,600 of volunteer labor in 2022!

STUDENTS

- More than 1,000 students have received the Auxiliary Board scholarship since its inception.
- 100+ students have received free high school test preparation classes, through volunteering, saving families nearly \$25,000.

Want to Learn More?

Contact Mandy Hatfield at mhatfield@bigshouldersfund.org to schedule a call and learn more about how you can join our Auxiliary Board!



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