

# Impact Our Movement: Self-Nomination Period Open for USGBC Board of Directors

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Each year the USGBC member community has a special opportunity to influence USGBC's future leadership, governance and strategic direction by electing its national Board members. The Nominations and Election Process for the [2012 Board of Directors](#) - culminating in electing five national Board members to serve three-year terms beginning Jan. 1, 2012 - is officially underway. On behalf of the Nominating Working Group, I encourage you to participate in some important ways.

First, nominations: The call for nominations for the five open perspective seats runs from July 20 to August 18, 2011:

- Designer of Buildings
- Urban/Regional Planner
- Environmental Non-Profit Advocate
- Large Scale Manufacturer
- Public Health/Healthcare

Each perspective, recommended by the Nominating Working Group and approved by USGBC's Board of Directors, enables USGBC to broaden, deepen and diversify its strategic position and influence. Please take some time and [review the general and perspective specific criteria](#). And help us get the word out to your network of friends and colleagues to encourage them to self-nominate - or self-nominate yourself if you're interested and qualified.

When the nominations period closes, the Nominating Working Group will review the nominations to verify compliance with the criteria, and select two to four of the most qualified nominees for each perspective. The election for the USGBC 2012 Board will begin on October 3, and run for at least 30 days - longer, if needed, to achieve quorum equal to ten percent of USGBC membership.

Second: Get out the vote! As with the nominations process, the election will be invigorated by a solid turnout. USGBC provides for proportional voting-every full-time employee of a USGBC member organization is eligible to vote. Opportunities to meet the candidates will be provided at [Greenbuild](#); and remember to look at the USGBC and candidates' websites, and to chapters' and other member organizations' endorsements as the election gets underway.

USGBC's Board of Directors is an important leadership tier. Please ensure that the Board continues to represent USGBC's diverse, strategic interests by participating in the nominations and election process for the 2012 USGBC Board of Directors.

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