

Emerging Leaders Peer Network (ELPN) Steering Committee FAQs

What does the ELPN Steering Committee do?

In partnership with NPH, the Steering Committee is a volunteer group that organizes trainings and events for emerging affordable housing professionals to develop their skills and foster a community.

Is ELPN separate from NPH?

No, ELPN is a program within NPH. NPH funds the program and provides logistical, technical, and administrative support. Since ELPN is an NPH program, ELPN is expected to deliver programming that aligns with NPH's values, mission, and policies.

What is the time commitment for being on the Steering Committee?

Steering Committee members are required to attend monthly meetings, which are primarily remote, with quarterly in-person meetings. Committee members must be able to commit 1-6 hours per month and serve a 2-year term.

Do Steering Committee members need to serve and work within the Bay Area?

Yes, since ELPN and its members are Bay Area-based, we're looking for Bay Area affordable housing professionals to provide local guidance and insight for our trainings.

How many years of experience are needed to join the Committee?

While all are welcome to attend an ELPN event, we prioritize Committee members who have less than 10 years of direct, professional affordable housing experience so that the Committee is reflective of ELPN's membership.

How are Steering Committee members selected?

Applications are reviewed by current Steering Committee members and NPH staff. Considerations include experience level, area of expertise, and reflecting our community's experiences and geography.

If I'm not selected for the Steering Committee, how else can I stay involved?



We encourage applicants to continue participating in ELPN events and trainings. There are always opportunities to support events, volunteer, and engage with peers in the network.

Do Steering Committee members get paid?

No. This is a volunteer role. Members gain leadership experience, visibility, and networking opportunities within the affordable housing field.

Are there benefits for Steering Committee members?

Yes. Members receive:

- Free admission to ELPN trainings
- Discounted tickets to NPH's Awards and Conference
- Professional development opportunities