FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Great Adventure

I've been watching the young people I know as they embark on great new adventures. For those in college and for recent college graduates, life is waiting to happen. I see it with my friends' children and my children's friends, and with the young people at Compass. Every decision feels significant. Which city? Which apartment? Which job? What about grad school? What about a life partner? These early decisions move us forward. I remember the potential I felt heading to a college halfway across the country. I remember my excitement waiting for a bus to take me to New York City for my first visit. I remember the thrill of my first internship, and then choosing my first apartment when I took my first job after graduation. I can still feel the wonder and possibilities of the unknown. And over time, life starts moving faster. More decisions. Picking a city and a job, having a family or not, changing jobs or taking time off, and finally settling into a community. And wondering every now and then about the great adventure. Is there still one waiting?

I would venture that there is always an adventure waiting. Often people talk about their adventures visiting faraway places and seeing cultures completely unknown to them. However, adventure is a big word and a bigger concept. I think adventures can also happen closer to home. An adventure isn't just where you go. It's how you see the world afterwards.

Compass offers an adventure every year to professionals in Greater Philadelphia. Your adventure supporting a local nonprofit will be defined by the people whose paths wouldn't have crossed yours otherwise, and the lives you wouldn't have otherwise impacted. This adventure uses your knowledge and skills, right here at home where you live.

I'm excited to share that Compass' Project Leader and Team Member applications are now open for the 2019-20 project year. We have announced a remarkable line-up of nonprofit clients (see below). These nonprofits make a difference in our community every day. Compass provides the opportunity for you to bring your talents and experience to one of these amazing organizations.

So this year, you can stay home and still have a great adventure. If you are new to town, you'll get to know your new community. If you've lived here a long time, get reacquainted
by seeing your community in a new way, up close. This is an adventure you don't want to miss. This is your year to volunteer with Compass. I just know it!

Happy fall.

Suzanne

**PROJECT LEADER APPLICATIONS DUE SEPTEMBER 11 at 5:00 p.m.**

Compass seeks Project Leaders with the following experience:

- Three or more years of consulting and/or project management experience
- MBA preferred
- Available to devote on average three to five hours per week from October 2019 to May 2020 leading a team of eight to nine volunteers on a consulting project

If you want to have a personal impact on the broader community, Compass offers a substantive, intellectual experience addressing the unique challenges facing a particular nonprofit.

Project Leaders work closely with the nonprofit Executive Director and Board Chair, and a team of volunteer consultants.

The Project Leader application is available here:

[Project Leader Application - Greater Philadelphia](#)

*Project Leader application closes September 11 at 5:00 p.m.*

**TEAM MEMBER APPLICATION - NOW OPEN**

Compass seeks volunteer Team Members with the following experience:

- MBAs, consultants, attorneys and other business professionals with a variety of skillsets
- Available to spend approximately two to three hours per week from October 2019 to May 2020 on a consulting project

The Team Member application is available here:

[Team Member Application - Greater Philadelphia](#)

*Team Member application closes October 9 at 5:00 p.m.*

**MEET THIS YEAR’S CLIENTS ON OCTOBER 3**

Join us for Compass' annual Project Launch!

**Thursday, October 3**

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts

Prospective volunteers are invited to meet this year's clients and Project Leaders. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP here.
The short descriptions that follow hardly do justice to the work of these amazing nonprofits. For more details about each client and the specific project they have requested, click here: [Client Roster](#). We also invite you to join us at Compass' Project Launch on October 3 to meet the clients in person.

**Center for Aquatic Sciences at Adventure Aquarium**
Camden, NJ
[aquaticsciences.org](http://aquaticsciences.org)
Center for Aquatic Sciences provides education and youth development by promoting the understanding, appreciation and protection of aquatic life and habitats. *Funding Strategy*

**Cradles to Crayons**
Philadelphia, PA
[cradlestocrayons.org](http://cradlestocrayons.org)
Cradles to Crayons provides children living in homeless or low-income situations with the essentials they need, free of charge. *Funding Strategy*

**Jewish Family and Children's Service of Greater Philadelphia (JFCS)**
Philadelphia, PA
[jfcsp Philly.org](http://jfcsp Philly.org)
JFCS strengthens families and individuals across generations and cultures to achieve stability, independence and community. *Partnerships & Collaborations*

**Maternal and Child Health Consortium of Chester County (CCMCHC)**
West Chester, PA
[ccmchc.org](http://ccmchc.org)
CCMCHC empowers families to build a healthier and brighter future for their children by overcoming the social and environmental barriers that lead to poor health conditions. *Strategic Alignment*

**Need in Deed**
Philadelphia, PA
[needindeed.org](http://needindeed.org)
Need in Deed improves the education of students in grades 3-8 in Philadelphia's traditional and charter schools through the transformative experience of service-learning that connects the classroom with the community. *Funding Strategy*

**Pennsylvania SPCA (PSPCA)**
Philadelphia, PA
[pspca.org](http://pspca.org)
PSPCA rescues animals from cruelty and neglect, rehabilitates them medically and behaviorally, and places them with new, loving families. *Strategic Marketing*

**Quest Therapeutic Services**
West Chester, PA
[questtherapeutic.com](http://questtherapeutic.com)
Quest provides pediatric therapy services to enhance the lives of children with disabilities. *Board Development*
Rebuilding Together Philadelphia (RTP)
Philadelphia, PA
rebuildingphilly.org
RTP revitalizes communities by transforming vulnerable houses into safe, healthy and energy efficient homes. Strategic Marketing

Simon's Heart
Conshohocken, PA
simonsheart.org
Simon's Heart raises awareness about conditions that lead to sudden cardiac arrest and death. Board Development

Students Run Philly Style
Philadelphia, PA
studentsrunphilly.org
Students Run Philly Style seeks to transform Philadelphia students' lives through running and mentorship. Strategic Marketing

Sustainable Business Network of Greater Philadelphia (SBN)
Philadelphia, PA
sbnphiladelphia.org
SBN builds a just, green and thriving economy in the Greater Philadelphia region by educating and growing local, independent businesses and educating policymakers and the public. Strategic Alignment

Uplift Center for Grieving Children
Philadelphia, PA
grievingchildren.org
Uplift helps grieving children heal and grow while offering resources to professionals, families and communities in understanding how to respond to these children's needs. Funding Strategy

The Urban League of Philadelphia
Philadelphia, PA
urbanleaguephila.org
The Urban League supports low-income individuals and families in achieving economic self-reliance through education, employment, entrepreneurship and health. Funding Strategy

Variety - The Children's Charity of the Delaware Valley
Worcester, PA
varietyphila.org
Variety enriches the lives of children and young adults with disabilities through programs that nurture independence and self-confidence. Board Development

Year Up Greater Philadelphia
Philadelphia, PA
yearup.org
Year Up provides urban young adults with the skills, experience and support that will empower them to reach their potential through professional careers and higher education. Board Development

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Like our clients, Compass is a nonprofit that relies on contributions to ensure we can continue bringing talented business professionals to the nonprofit sector to help individual nonprofits.

Every $1 donated to Compass provides $10 of consulting services back to local nonprofits. Donations from individuals, companies, and foundations make it possible for Compass to bring business professionals into the local nonprofit sector each year. You can donate to Compass to support and expand our impact - and yours - by clicking the Donate Now button below.

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"Compass Pro Bono."