

DeKalb County Triad Bylaws

Article I – Name

The name of the organization shall be “DeKalb County Triad”.

Article II - Purpose

The organization is dedicated to senior citizens. We work closely with senior service agencies, local law enforcement, and seniors to bring crime prevention, education, and volunteer programs to the seniors of DeKalb County. The DeKalb County Triad is a not for profit organization made up of volunteers.

The Triad will:

1. Conduct comprehensive ongoing, assessment of community needs, gaps, and current senior programs. Connect seniors to all available resources throughout DeKalb County.
2. Maintain a permanent organizational structure for the Triad.
3. Continue coalition building and partnering with local businesses, governments, and senior organizations to maximize support and resources for senior citizens.
4. Facilitate a process to develop and implement effective, engaging, safe, empowering and inclusive programs related to improving overall quality of life, crime prevention, and safety for senior citizens.
5. Ensure a process for ongoing program assessment and evaluation.

Article III – Membership

Section 1. Members

The membership shall consist of law enforcement agencies, individuals, groups, and institutions interested in and committed to the work of the DeKalb County Triad.

Section 2. Annual Meeting

An annual meeting is to be held in February each year for the purpose of electing the Board of Directors. Additional meetings will be called as determined.

Section 3. Voting

Each member present at a meeting, either in person or by proxy, shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members.

Article IV – Board of Directors (Leadership Committee)

Section 1. General Powers

The Board of Directors shall be responsible for electing officers, planning, setting policies, supporting and advocating to further the purpose of this Triad.

Section 2. Number of Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall consist of no less than 5 and no more than 11 persons, the actual number to be set by a resolution of the Board from time to time.

Section 3. Election and Terms

- A. Directors shall be elected by the general membership at the annual meeting of the members
- B. Initially 50% of Directors will be elected for 1 year and 50% for 2 years. Thereafter, Directors shall be elected for a two-year commitment.
- C. Officers shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the annual meeting. Chair (or Co-chairs), Treasurer and Secretary shall be staggered.
- D. Board Members are expected to attend 2/3rds of scheduled board meetings.
- E. A board member may be removed by a 2/3 vote of Board of Directors.

Section 4. Meetings

There shall be at least six regular meetings of the Board of Directors in each year.

Section 5. Quorum

A quorum at any meeting of Directors shall consist of a one third majority (4) of the then current Board membership, present in person or by proxy.

Section 6. Voting

No action shall be binding unless a quorum of the Board is present in person or by proxy.

Article V – Officers

Section 1. Officers

The Officers of the organization shall be The Chairs(s), Secretary(s), Treasurer, and additional officers as the Board of Directors deems necessary.

Section 2. Terms

Each officer shall hold office for an open ended term or until his or her successor qualifies and is elected or until he or she resigns.

Section 3. Resignations

Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice of his or her resignation to the Board of Directors, to the Chair or to the Secretary of the organization. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

Section 4. Vacancies

Any vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the unfinished term by the Executive Committee, with the approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Chair(s)

The Chair(s) shall preside at all Board of Directors and Executive Committee meetings and shall discharge all duties incident to the office of Chair, except in those instances in which the authority to execute is expressly delegated to another officer or agent of the organization.

Section 6. Secretary

The Secretary shall record proceedings of general meetings of the organization and of meetings of the Board of Directors. He or she shall, when directed to do so, give proper notice of meetings and attend to general correspondence of the organization. The Secretary shall keep an updated list of current board members, including phone and email information for each member. The Secretary shall perform such other duties as may be requested by the Board of Directors or the Chair(s).

Section 7. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall oversee full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements, render monthly and annual financial reports to the Board of Directors and shall insure that an audit is conducted annually. The Treasurer shall chair the finance committee if and when such committee is formed.

Section 8. Immediate Past Chair

The Immediate Past Chair shall serve on the Executive Committee for two years.

Article VI - Committees

The Board of Directors shall have the authority by resolution to establish committees with membership, duration, duties and responsibilities.

Section 1. Executive Committee shall be comprised of the officers of the Board of Directors, the Immediate Past President, and the chairs of the Standing Committees. The Executive Committee shall have the power to make decisions on behalf of this organization.

Section 2. Standing Committees and ad hoc Committees shall be appointed by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. The Senior Advisory Committee shall be a Standing Committee comprised of seniors residing in DeKalb County.

Article VII - Fiduciary

The Board of Directors shall assume and discharge fiduciary responsibility with respect to all funds held or administered by this organization. The Board of Directors may also designate this responsibility to a fiscal agent.

Article VIII – Authorization Without a Meeting

Any action that may be taken at a meeting of the Executive Committee may be taken without a meeting when authorized in writing and signed by all Executive Committee Members.

Bylaws IX

Bylaws shall be reviewed annually or as determined by the board.

Article X - Dissolution

In the event of dissolution, this TRIAD shall abide by the State of Illinois General Not for Profit Corporation Act.

Chair Signature

Date

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