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The Selective Service System wants to hear from men and women in the community who might be willing to serve as members of a local draft board.

Prospective Board Members must be citizens of the United States, at least 18 years old, and registered with the Selective Service (if male). Prospective Board Members may not be an employee of any law enforcement occupation, not be an active or retired member of the Armed Forces, and not have been convicted of any criminal offense.

Once identified as qualified candidates for appointment, prospective Board Members are recommended by the Governor and appointed by the Director of Selective Service, who acts on behalf of the President in making appointments. Each new member receives 12 hours of initial training after appointment, followed by 4 hours of annual training for as long as he or she remains in the position. They may serve as Board Members for up to 20 years, if desired.

Local Board Members are uncompensated but play an important community role closely connected to the Nation's defense. If a military draft becomes necessary, approximately 2,000 Local and Appeal Board Members in America would decide which young men, who might claim, receive deferments, postponements or exemptions from military service, based on Federal guidelines.

Positions are available in many communities throughout the Nation. If you believe you meet the standard for Selective Service Board Membership, and wish to be considered for appointment please visit our web site at: <http://www.sss.gov/fslocal.htm>



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