

University Settlement

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Community!*

Bios for Board Candidates – 2026

Aleem Dhanani

Aleem has over 15 years of experience in finance, strategy, and risk management. Currently, a Managing Director in Corporate Development, and Mergers & Acquisitions at BMO. His education includes an MBA, CFA, and B.Com. Community experience includes involvement with ACCESS Community Capital Fund, the MaRS Social Venture Connection, and Junior Achievement, among other initiatives. Interested in Finance, Strategy, fundraising-related committees and all program areas.

Justin Boyd Manuel

Justin has a BA Hons in Political Science and Law with 10 years of progressive policy, government relations and governance experience. Passionate about community accessibility, He wishes to join the Board to ensure community needs are met with integrity, while enhancing the impact of University Settlement's vital community programming.

Maureen Neglia

Maureen has over 25 years of human resources, risk, governance, and strategic planning experience in the corporate and non-profit sectors. She is also a licensed HR practitioner (CHRL, CHRP), a certified Director of Volunteers and holds a BA (hons) from the University of Toronto. She has held multiple HR, recruitment, talent, management, and diversity leadership roles which allowed her to integrate marginalized communities into corporations in Canada. As a child of immigrants, she has seen firsthand the important role of community in providing support to newcomers.

Naomi Santesteban

Naomi is an associate lawyer at Filion Wakely Thorup Angeletti LLP and a 2023 graduate of Osgoode Hall Law School. During law school, she completed a placement at Parkdale Community Legal Services, where she contributed to initiatives that promoted access to justice and legal education for underserved and marginalized communities. Having lived across the street from Grange Park for many years, Naomi has developed a strong connection to the surrounding community and is excited about the opportunity to join University Settlement and support its ongoing programs and community initiatives.

Rebecca Rosenberg

Rebecca holds a Bachelor of Social Science with a minor in Philosophy from the University of Ottawa and a Juris Doctor from the University of Toronto Faculty of Law. She is currently an Associate at Filion Wakely Thorup Angeletti LLP. Rebecca has previously worked with University Settlement matters through her legal work and has developed an appreciation for the organization's impact in providing essential social services to a diverse community. She is particularly interested in supporting newcomer communities and seniors, informed by her personal background and caregiving experience. She also values University Settlement's cultural programming and community events and is excited to contribute to the organization's mission.