

Community Editorial Board Member

CT Mirror was organized in 2009 and first published in 2010 as a three-year experiment with four staff members. Today, CT Mirror is regarded as the most trusted source for news about public policy in the state - we are a "must-read" for elected officials, executive and legislative staff, advocates, nonprofit, business, and community leaders, and people who want to understand what is happening in their state government.

Now, we're deepening our commitment to community coverage, and we know we can't do it alone. We're launching the Community Editorial Board as a critical factor in elevating the quality of submissions to Viewpoints, our opinion section which is open to public submissions. Community Editorial Board members will achieve this by marrying lived experience with research and data, and bringing thoughtful discussion to every column.

Responsibilities

- Generate column ideas and write at least six a year focused on a variety of topics including policy, economy, justice, social and local issues, etc.
- Attend monthly Community Editorial Boards meetings, updating members on issues in their community and pitching ideas for upcoming columns (all virtual).
- Serve as the CT Mirror's community ambassadors, keeping a line of sight into local issues and bringing them to the spotlight through the publication
- Bring a diverse and wide-ranging set of perspectives to CT Mirror's coverage.
- Provide critical insight to CT Mirror editors and reporters for their ongoing reporting efforts
- Use social media to engage on issues impacting Connecticut residents both independently and during CT Mirror coordinated events.
- Represent CT Mirror on a local level.

Members of the Community Editorial Board will be expected to improve CT Mirror's reader engagement by working with community members to highlight local stories that may otherwise go overlooked. We're looking to fill the board with 8-12 committed members who are eager to work highlighting the issues impacting Connecticut residents most.

Eligibility

- Connecticut resident
- 3+ years of work experience

- Ability to work on deadlines
- Established community member
- Willingness to tackle on a diversity of topics
- Ability to provide well researched, data-backed opinion with every column.
- Ability to engage with a wide range of people from diverse backgrounds, beliefs, and opinions.
- Some writing experience. Light training will be provided.