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Survivor Advisory Council Membership Process

The Survivor Advisory Council (SAC) is a standing committee of Resilience's board of directors.

In addition to the required board member and agency staff participation, SAC is open to survivors of domestic and/or sexual violence. Survivor members are not required to have used Resilience services to participate in SAC.

As stated in the board's committee charter, the purpose of the SAC is to center the voices of survivors throughout the agency's programming and in establishing strategic priorities. As such, survivorship and personal safety are prioritized when accepting new members. SAC members must be open to walking alongside the agency, survivors, and each other with empathy, respect, compassion, and discretion.

SAC decisions are made collectively, transparently, and with intentional consideration for survivors from marginalized communities who may or may not be presently represented on the council.

The SAC is a forum for honest sharing and open discussion. However, if a member is repeatedly violating council principles or [Resilience values](#), the SAC-participating members of Resilience's board of directors and staff are allowed the ability to protect the greater SAC membership as deemed appropriate.

Under the board's committee charter, the SAC's roles and responsibilities include:

- Provide feedback and ideas to ensure agency programming is survivor-centered, empowerment-based, and trauma-informed and reaches survivors across all demographics in our service area.
- Provide input into the agency's strategic priorities and plans.
- Assist in the development and implementation of the agency's public policy agenda.
- Provide input and feedback on agency policies and procedures related to service delivery.