



What is OWIG Steering Committee?

The Steering Committee of Ohio Women in Government (OWIG) is a dedicated group of OWIG members that helps the Executive Committee chart the strategic path of the organization. Steering Committee plays a key role in planning and executing OWIG events, as well as supporting other program implementation and growth.

Who are the members?

Steering Committee members are especially engaged members of OWIG who are current on their dues and have had their participation approved by the OWIG Executive Committee. There is no limit on the number of women who can serve on Steering Committee and the membership fluctuates every year.

How do I apply?

Women interested in serving should email ohiowomeningovernment@gmail.com with a few sentences about why they want to be involved. They must agree to meeting all the responsibilities listed below. Emailed statements of interest are approved by the OWIG Executive Committee as they come in. OWIG encourages applicants to **submit interest by January 31st** each year to allow members to maximize their involvement for the year, but applications will be considered all year on a rolling basis.

What are the responsibilities?

OWIG Steering Committee meets regularly six times a year - once every other month - and members must commit to attending at least four of those meetings to become a member. The Committee may meet more often to handle specific projects or time-sensitive matters. The meeting schedule is set by the group at the beginning of every year. In general, Steering Committee members are expected to offer ideas for events, volunteer to help with outreach and logistics around events, and provide input on ongoing OWIG initiatives. The most critical event planning meetings occur in January and June/July, during which the committee finalizes event topics for the ensuing six months.

What will I get out of it?

Steering Committee members have the opportunity to play a key role in the development and success of OWIG. Members get to have a seat at the table for key organizational conversations and can reap the rewards of seeing their planning and ideas move to execution. By elevating their involvement with OWIG, Steering Committee members also gain the value of building deeper relationships with a group of purposeful, accomplished women. Importantly, the Steering Committee is also the leadership bench of OWIG and committee members are often recognized first for leadership positions as an officer or chair.