



## Application for District 37 Area Director role

2017-2018 Term, effective July 1, 2017.

*(Please complete this application and submit it by April 15, 2017)*

Dear Toastmasters Member,

Thank you for your interest in being an Area Director in District 37 for the 2017/18 year. Please complete all the information requested and read the application carefully before signing it.

***Please note: Area Directors are ineligible to compete in any speech contest in the 2017/18 term.***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone contact: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Toastmasters Member #: \_\_\_\_\_ Designation (e.g., CC, DTM, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a Toastmaster? \_\_\_\_\_

Home Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Club Number: \_\_\_\_\_

District 37 has multiple Area Director positions available. Although you cannot be guaranteed an appointment to your preferred area, we will certainly do our best. Please list your preferred area, a second choice and indicate whether you are open to other options.

Preferred Area: \_\_\_\_\_ Second choice: \_\_\_\_\_

I would be open to other options (*please circle*): YES NO

What leadership experience have you had in Toastmasters? (e.g., club roles, district leadership roles):

*Preference will be given to members who have previously held the position of Club President and/or VP Education.*

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What leadership experience do you have outside of Toastmasters?

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Please describe why you are interested in being an Area Director in 50 words or less: **(Why you, Why now?)**

*(use a separate piece of paper if more room is needed)*

Please provide two references from current Toastmasters:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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### Expectations and Commitments:

*(all commitments must be acknowledged for form to be considered complete)*

As Area Director, you have one of the most important jobs within the district. The success of your clubs, and the entire district depends upon how well you execute your duties and responsibilities. As an Area Director, you are to provide support and assistance to the clubs in your assigned area so that they may fulfill the Club Mission and their responsibilities to their members. In addition to the two required Area Director club visits and the club visit reports (once in the fall and once in the spring), and the area level contests for your clubs; you are expected to keep regular contact with your Club Presidents and to hold **Monthly** Area Council meetings with the Club Presidents and VPs Education (virtual or in-person as appropriate). District 37 is also requiring two presentations from either the Successful Club Series and/or the Better Speaker Series (one in the fall and one in the spring). These modules must be presented at a club visit separate from your official club visit. You are responsible for working towards achieving [Distinguished Area Program goals](#) as defined in the District Leadership Handbook and supporting each club in your area to achieve Distinguished Club status.

As a District Officer, you are also responsible for supporting the District in fulfilling the District Mission: *"We build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence"*. You are expected to help with the growth of Toastmasters through no net club loss in your area and by contributing to the establishment of one new club in your area with the assistance of your Division Director and the Club Growth Director.

As an Area Director, you are expected to attend all District Executive Committee (DEC) meetings which are held 4x per year. The schedule for these meetings is as follows: July 8, 2017, September 16, 2017, January 6, 2018, and March 10, 2018 *(dates subject to change)*. Your attendance at DEC meetings is important for you as critical training occurs at these DEC meetings and for the District, as a quorum is required to make business decisions.

- o **Will you attend the District Executive Committee (DEC) meetings?** YES NO

A training session specifically for incoming Division Directors and Area Directors will be held on Saturday, July 8, 2017 at High Point Theatre, 220 E Commerce Ave, High Point, NC 27260 *(location may change)* from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. This day-long session will provide you with the tools and information you will need to achieve success as an Area Director.

- o **Will you attend the Division Director/Area Director training session?** YES NO

Twice each year the District hosts a conference – Fall (October 20 & 22, 2017) and Spring (April 20 & 21, 2018 *tentative*). As an Area Director you are entitled to one vote at the District Council Business Meeting held during the conference.

- o **Will you attend the District Business Meeting at the two conferences?** YES NO

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of District Director – elect \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit your application by May 19, 2017. You can email your completed application to Sindy Martin, District Director [district.director@d37toastmasters.org](mailto:district.director@d37toastmasters.org).

All applications will be acknowledged. Please allow 72 hours for a response. Area Directors are appointed by the District Director-elect. These appointments will be announced by the Spring Conference on May 5 & 6, 2017. Once appointed, you will be required to sign the 'Officer Agreement and Release Form' – a copy is available from Toastmasters International.

**Thank you for your interest in serving District 37 in a leadership capacity.**