The Alliance is an experienced, respected organization, and one of the oldest environmental groups working in the watershed. For more than 40 years we have been advocates for a healthy environment and have designed programs that engage a diversity of groups in the restoration effort, connect people to the bay and its rivers and heal the land.

The Board of Directors of the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay serves as the fiduciary authority for the organization and provides the strategic direction and leadership necessary to achieve the organization’s goals. The Board has four main functions:

1. Determine the governing policies and short and long range plans.
2. Oversee the operations of the Alliance to insure a financially solvent organization and continued compliance with all legal and ethical standards.
3. Maintain, develop, or enhance relationships with partnering organizations, institutions and individuals in the Bay Watershed to advance the mission of the Alliance and maintain the strength of the Board.
4. Establish goals and provide leadership for the Alliance’s development efforts.

Members of the Board of the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, agree to:

1. Attend Board meetings (there are four (4) each year) and the Taste of the Chesapeake.
2. Select at least one committee on which to serve and participate actively.
   - Finance Committee
   - Governance Committee
   - Development Committee
   - Program Advisory Committee
3. Be an active proponent of the Alliance and its mission and assume a leadership role in the Alliance’s financial development program through participation in the Annual signature event – the Taste of the Chesapeake- and Annual Major Gifts Campaigns. Each board member is asked to assume an Annual Major Gifts goal of $4,000; met through a combination of personal contribution and solicitation of other unrestricted gifts.

Board members are elected for a three-year term and are eligible for an additional three-year term after which they are required to rotate off the Board for at least one year.