

**2022-23 BOARD NOMINATIONS REPORT**  
**SEPTEMBER 20, 2022**

There will be three positions on Community Living Toronto's Board of Directors for 2022-23 that need to be filled by the election of new members.

The Governance Committee of the Board is charged with ensuring that the selection of nominees considers the skills necessary to enable the Board to function effectively. The Governance Committee maintains a Board composition matrix and uses it to identify skills required for the Board going forward. In addition, the Governance Committee ensures that nominations follow an agreed process, which includes assessment of candidates and making recommendations to the Board.

In accordance with this process and the Governance Committee's mandate, the Governance Committee recommends that the following candidates be put forward for election as new members of the Board of Directors for a 3-year term: Harvey Cooper, Jennifer Pereira, and Geetha Moorthy. All new Board members will become members of the Corporation upon election, if not already a member.

In addition, the Governance Committee also recommends a two-year term extension for Susan Silma, a one-year term extension for Nelson Raposo, and the re-election of Laura Parsonson for a new 3-year term.

Once the Board members are approved for election/re-election, the 2022-2023 Board of Directors will consist of the following 13 individuals:

- Harvey Cooper
- Michael Douglas
- Stephanie Gawur
- Emory Gilbert
- Donald Hale
- Don Logie
- Susan McCloy
- Geetha Moorthy
- Laura Parsonson
- Jennifer Pereira
- Valerie Picher
- Nelson Raposo
- Susan Silma

Below, please find the biographies submitted by the candidates who are recommended as new Board members for 2022-2023:



**Harvey Cooper**

Harvey has worked for over 3 decades in the Community Housing sector, most notably at the Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada (CHF Canada). At CHF Canada Harvey served in a variety of senior positions including Director of Government Relations and Deputy Executive Director. Some of Harvey's key areas of expertise include effective advocacy, non-profit and co-operative housing development, and management as well as association governance and management. Harvey recently semi-retired and set up his own consultancy firm focusing on assisting non-profit and community organizations with their government relations efforts.

Over the years Harvey has volunteered his time with several organizations including the Public Affairs Association of Canada (PAAC), where he served on the Board of Directors and Membership Chair for 12 years. He currently serves on CLTO's Government Relations Committee.



**Jennifer Pereira**

Jennifer has over 21 years of professional experience in Construction, Auditing, Education & Training, Professional Sports, and Healthcare. She is the President and CEO of Fluent Motion Inc., and currently serves as the President for the College of Kinesiologists of Ontario, along with volunteering on community and industry Boards. She has been a member of CLTO's Service Excellence Committee since May 2021.

Jennifer's eclectic experience allows her to embrace and connect with various clients and professionals, whether it's a construction worker in the field or a high-powered CEO who sits among C-suite executives. As a powerful force in the health and safety industry she uses her positive attitude and tireless energy to encourage health & safety through worker participation. Fluent Motion's long-lasting clients stem from Jennifer's belief that the foundation of any successful endeavour stems from developing lasting relationships.

Not only a community leader committed to giving back, Jennifer also holds the following designations; Canadian Registered Safety Professional (CRSP); Environmental Professional (EP); Registered Kinesiologist (R.KIN); Doctor of Acupuncture (DAc.)



### **Geetha Moorthy**

Geetha is the Founder & Executive Director of the South Asian Autism Awareness Centre (SAAAC) in Toronto. From classical arts, and business/entrepreneurship, to community development, Geetha's professional journey has been unique as it has been fulfilling. Before beginning the SAAAC Autism Centre, Geetha spent nearly two decades in finance including senior roles in controllership and operation management.

Geetha's formal training and love for classical dance pushed her to establish the (Narthanalaya), Canadian Centre for South Asian Dances in 1985, one of the first classical South Asian dance schools in Toronto, training hundreds of students annually, which helped her forge deep ties with the community. It was through her dance school she first came across students who were diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). Touched by these students' commitment to dance and learning of the cultural, financial, and social difficulties their families experienced, she established the SAAAC Autism Centre in 2008. The Centre currently supports 600 families across 12 programming streams supported by 60 employees and 200 volunteers annually.

Geetha is the recipient of the 2019 RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards Social Change Award and The Gerry Bloomfield Award for outstanding professional contributions to the field of Autism Spectrum Disorders.

Outside of work Geetha continues to teach dance. She and her husband are proud parents and grandparents of two children and two grandchildren.