



THE SERVICE BOARD

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Upcoming Exciting Transitions at the Service Board

Seattle (May 28) – the Service Board (tSB) is excited to announce that effective on June 1st, Layla Anane will be promoted from her current role as Development Manager to a newly formed position, Director of Development & Communications. Layla, also a tSB alum, continues to make a tremendous impact in her three-year tenure as staff and will continue to support the growth of tSB in her new role.

Also, tSB is excited to welcome back previous mentor and staff member, Benji Anderson. Benji will rejoin tSB as the Director of Programs, another newly formed position at tSB, on June 28th. Benji is thrilled to return “home” after leaving tSB in 2018 and can't wait for the first program retreat and heart circle. We look forward to expanding the program team to better serve our youth.

Lastly, Lacie West will be departing from her role as Executive Director on June 30th. In the three and a half years of her service, Lacie helped tSB grow in many ways and fostered an environment where voices are valued and people of all backgrounds are welcome. “I’m truly grateful for the tSB community and each person's commitment to ensure tSB is where it is today. I’ve learned so much especially from our youth on what it means to push my own growing edge. I look forward to remaining a part of this incredible community and for all the many amazing things to come for tSB.” Lacie will continue to stay involved as a member of the tSBoard of Directors starting in July as she transitions into her new role as Executive Director at Friends of the Children-Seattle.

Over the next month, the tSBoard of Directors will start the planning for the executive director search with support of the staff. In the beginning of July, Layla and Benji will serve as co-interim executive directors until a new executive director is hired. While we will surely miss Lacie, the addition of the two new director roles is a sign of growth at tSB.

About the Service Board

As a youth-led organization the Service Board (tSB) builds community through the power of youth. Our vision is for all youth to advocate for a more just future. For over 25 years, tSB continues to develop and implement culturally-relevant programming for high school-aged youth from traditionally marginalized communities (BIPOC, LGBTQAI+, low-income, immigrants, refugees, foster care, houseless) in King County. tSB provides youth with a supportive space where they are heard, valued and given space to develop as leaders.

Our year-around programming facilitates equitable access for youth to traditionally inaccessible outdoor activities with a focus on snowboarding to increase diversity in the outdoors and build confidence in youth. In combination with community service projects, adult mentoring, social and environmental justice education; tSB creates courageous communities of young change-makers, athletes, and future environmentalists.