



THE PHILLIP RUSH CENTER
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The Rush Center Announces Departure of Executive Director

Atlanta, Georgia – The Rush Center Board of Directors announced today that their long-time Executive Director, Linda Ellis, has resigned.

The board thanks Linda Ellis for her years of dedicated service to the Center and to Metro Atlanta's LGBTQ+ communities.

Board Chair Gail Cowie said, "We wish Linda all the best in her future endeavors and look forward to her continued involvement with the Rush Center in different capacities."

Cowie continued, "Her experience and insight will be assets in whatever she undertakes from here."

Linda Ellis stated, "I want to extend my sincere gratitude to all those who have worked alongside me to increase Atlanta's LGBT community's access to health and social resources."

Ellis added, "Thank you to everyone who has served on the Board of ALCI, ALHI, HI, and the Rush Center for your leadership through the years. And thank you to the Rush Center staff who have shared their considerable talents, strong convictions and honest opinions with me and the community for years."

The Board is excited to enter a new phase of leadership for the Center and is initiating a search for an Interim Executive Director. To date, the Rush Center has established a solid base of coordination and collaboration among Atlanta's LGBTQ+ organizations and a safe, welcoming place to gather. They now seek an individual with the skills needed to lead the organization through a time of transition and build on community input to help shape the Rush Center's programs and facility use for the future.

People of color and trans and gender non-conforming people are particularly encouraged to apply. Please go to: <http://www.rushcenteratl.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Rush-Center-Interim-ED-Job-Description-112719.pdf> for a full job description. To apply, please submit a cover letter and resume to Board@rushcenter.org. The deadline for receipt of applications is Friday, December 20.

The Rush Center Board also invites anyone interesting in joining the Board to apply for consideration. They are seeking individuals with a wide range of experience and aptitude, particularly in the following areas:

- Fundraising
- Human resource management
- Financial management
- Accounting
- Commercial real estate

People of color and trans and gender non-conforming people are encouraged to apply. To download the application, go to: <http://www.rushcenteratl.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Rush-Center-Board-Application-Nov2019.doc> the submission deadline is Friday, December 20.

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About the Phillip Rush Center:

The Philip Rush Center is named for noted community advocate and philanthropist Phillip Rush in honor to his long-standing commitment to bring diverse people and organizations together in an effort to foster partnerships and understanding.

The mission of the Phillip Rush Center is to promote community through a multi-tenant, mixed-use facility that model's community in its design and practice. By providing long-term and short-term, affordable rental space, the Rush Center brings together LGBTQ+ and allied nonprofits under one roof, leveraging their unique strengths.

Attachments:

- Linda Ellis Letter
- Rush Center Interim ED Job Description
- Rush Center Board Application

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