



How to Engage with CHA

Civic Health Alliance brings together a range of people at different levels of commitment. Here's how each group fits in.

Core Team

Full-time / ongoing — day-to-day operations

The staff who run CHA day to day: the Co-Founders and Executive Directors (Stella Safo and Manisha Sharma), the Director of Social Media, and the Director of Communications and Partnerships. This team sets strategy, manages programs, and carries out CHA's work across the year.

Board of Directors

Ongoing — governance and oversight

A fixed governing body that provides oversight, fiduciary stewardship, and strategic guidance for the organization. The Board does not manage day-to-day operations, but sets direction at the highest level.

CHA Interns

Intensive, longitudinal — typically 1 academic year or semester

A small group (usually two) of interns who work closely with CHA on a sustained project over time, often as part of a school capstone. Interns are embedded in CHA's work, with regular touch points with the Core Team and meaningful ownership of a defined project.

Student Ambassadors

Light touch — project-based

Students who take on individual, self-directed civic engagement projects in partnership with CHA. Ambassadors check in periodically but operate independently, making this a lower-lift way to get involved while building real experience.

CHA Collaborators

Quarterly — aligned professionals

Physicians and other healthcare workers who are closely aligned with CHA's mission. Collaborators check in roughly once a quarter and carry out work that is done under and credited to Civic Health Alliance.

1,000 Caring Voices (1KCV) Champions

Program-based — tiered participation (Spark, Active, Lead)

Champions are the backbone of CHA's flagship civic engagement campaign, 1,000 Caring Voices. They lead local civic engagement activities in their own communities, progressing through three tiers of increasing involvement, with the Lead tier including formal introductions to elected officials.