



**Invitation to Join Network Executive Committee**  
**\*\* Announcement \*\***

We are actively recruiting new members to join the Local Catch Network's Executive Committee. [Applications](#) are due by January 31, 2022 at 12 PM ET.

### **About the Local Catch Network**

Established in 2011, the Local Catch Network (LCN) is made up of fishing families, community-based organizations, researchers, and technical assistance providers who work to strengthen local and community-based seafood systems in North America. We are a hub for peer-to-peer learning, innovation, and research related to direct seafood marketing and small- and community-based fisheries. Our network includes more than 200 seafood businesses from across the United States, Canada, and Mexico. LCN is governed by a volunteer Executive Committee that is responsible for supporting the growth and development of the network. The network is based at the University of Maine with additional backbone support from the North American Marine Alliance.

### **Call for Nominations**

Are you committed to strengthening small-scale and community-based fisheries? Would you like to be part of a dynamic leadership team that shapes the trajectory of LCN? We are soliciting nominations to the [Executive Committee](#) to serve a 2-year term. Those with hands-on experience engaged in direct seafood marketing and aligned with the network's core values are encouraged to apply as are technical assistance providers, researchers, and representatives from related organizations who bring relevant skills and diversity to the committee.

To [apply](#) please complete the short application by January 31, 2022 at 12 PM ET.

### **Responsibilities**

The responsibilities of the Local Catch Network Executive Committee are as follows:

1. **Provides organizational governance:** The Executive Committee is responsible for strategic planning and ensuring that the network activities align with its mission, vision,

and core values.

2. **Support and evaluate the coordinator and backbone team:** The Executive Committee ensures that the coordinator and backbone team have the professional support needed to further the goals of the network and provide regular feedback on ways to improve/strengthen the work. This feedback will be provided informally on a one-on-one basis, during monthly Executive Committee calls, and/or as part of an annual review.
3. **Assist in monitoring and strengthening programs and services:** With support from the coordinator, the Executive Committee is responsible for evaluating programs/projects and ensuring alignment with the network's mission.
4. **Support in the maintenance, development, and enhancement of funding for the network:** The Executive Committee will assist in fundraising and securing adequate resources for the network to fulfill its mission.
5. **Enhance the organization's public standing:** The Executive Committee plays a key role in clearly articulating the network's mission, accomplishments, and goals to the public and garner support from the community.
6. **Assist in financial oversight:** The Executive Committee will assist in developing the annual budget and ensuring that proper financial controls are in place.
7. **Contribute to a competent Executive Committee:** Assist in the ongoing process of ensuring a diverse set of skills, experiences, and passions are represented on the Executive Committee by upholding a robust nominations process is in place, and by cultivating new leadership and talent on the Executive Committee. We also seek diversity in age, gender, and race.

## Resources

The Local Catch Network will cover travel costs associated with attending in-person Executive Committee meetings. Additional resources may be available to support individuals who need funding to actively participate on the Executive Committee.

## Additional information

If you have questions and/or need additional information, please contact LCN ([info@localcatch.org](mailto:info@localcatch.org)) or Joshua Stoll ([joshua.stoll@maine.edu](mailto:joshua.stoll@maine.edu)).