



Dear Eden Prairie Chamber Members,

As we usher in the promise of a new year, it is with great enthusiasm and optimism that I extend my warmest greetings to every one of you. I am very excited to be serving as the 2024 Eden Prairie Board Chair.

Having graduated from Eden Prairie High School, proudly raising a family in the community, and working for C.H. Robinson the past 11 years, Eden Prairie has a special place in my heart. I've enjoyed serving on the Eden Prairie Chamber board for the past two years and I feel proud to support the community in the role of board chair.

As we embark on the new year, the board is dedicated to fostering growth and community in our city. Recognizing the challenges of the past years, we understand the importance of connection and support to collectively grow. In line with this commitment, the Chamber has identified key priorities for 2024:

Community: We aim to create an environment that fosters both personal and professional growth within our community. By providing opportunities for connection, collaboration, and education, we strive to build a stronger, more resilient community for all members.

Inclusivity: We want the chamber to be a place where everyone feels welcome and uplifted. Encouraging the need for a sense of belonging, the Chamber is introducing and implementing member expectations to ensure a safe, inclusive, and ethical environment for all.

Variety: We recognize everyone's needs are unique. In 2024, we are excited to increase the diverse range of networking opportunities designed to facilitate learning and growth within our community, including our women's and young professionals programming. Also, we're excited to offer even more opportunities to engage with the chamber through marketing/promotions and advocacy efforts, so you can choose paths best for your current journey.

As we navigate the opportunities and challenges that 2024 will undoubtedly bring, we look forward to collaborating and growing with you. Thank you for your continued support, and here's to a prosperous and fulfilling new year for the entire Eden Prairie Chamber community.

Warm regards,

Ruth Gardner, C.H. Robinson
2024 Board Chair

