

Squad Leader Duties:

- ❖ Shepherd new and old Soulforce participants through Soulforce actions with special care given to developing and nurturing a relationship between the individual and Soulforce.
- ❖ Organize individuals into a team prepared and equipped to carry out the Soulforce action in the Soulforce way
- ❖ Promote and coordinate all activities so that the spirit of Soulforce is as important as the action of Soulforce
- ❖ Pay particular attention to ensuring that the health and the safety of all is attended to the best of our abilities.
- ❖ Serve as a liaison between Soulforce leadership and squad members.

Qualities necessary in a squad leader:

- ❖ Someone who has learned and accepted the Soulforce vows and way of conducting direct actions.
- ❖ Someone who can be friendly with new people and focus on relationship building.
- ❖ Someone who can welcome diverse peoples and relate to them in diverse settings.
- ❖ Someone who can focus on the needs of Soulforce during the periods of the direct action.
- ❖ Someone who can trust the leadership team of a direct action and who can follow that leadership.
- ❖ Someone who can think on their feet should a squad member have difficulties and/or should their squad meet some hostile adversity.
- ❖ Someone who is organized and can follow through on logistical needs (ensuring that their squads comply with whatever paperwork and/other communication and logistical necessities).
- ❖ Someone who can follow directions and fulfill commitments.
- ❖ Someone who is responsible and committed yet flexible and able to think independently.
- ❖ Someone who is of sufficient spiritual, mental, emotional and physical health to perform all duties of a squad leader and who does not need mood altering medications or who is appropriately medicated.
- ❖ Most if not all the squad leaders will need to be willing to be arrested or have a co-leader in the squad who is willing and able. It will be helpful if they have been arrested in the past.
- ❖ Must be able to identify and work with monitors who can help them with squad nurture and shepherding.
- ❖ Must not have outstanding warrants