

## Application Form

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### Profile

***If you have any questions or have difficulty submitting this application, please reach out to Alex Guzhnay at [aguzhnay@newhavenct.gov](mailto:aguzhnay@newhavenct.gov) or 203-946-7670.***

Marcus

First Name

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Middle  
Initial

Harvin

Last Name

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Email Address

4 Garden Street

Home Address

2nd floor

Suite or Apt

New Haven

City

CT

State

06511

Postal Code

**What ward do you live in (optional - please select ward if you know)?**

None Selected

Mobile: (475) 439-0842

Primary Phone

Business: (203) 640-2353

Alternate Phone

**Are any of the above number a cell phone number?**

☒ Yes ☐ No

**If so, which? Also, is it okay to send a text message?**

Yes, either number

Newhallville Fresh Starts Inc.

Employer

President/Founder

Job Title

To see our list of Boards and Commissions please click here: <https://www.newhavenct.gov/government/boards-commissions/boards-commissions-listed>

**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Homeless Advisory Commission: On Agenda

**Is this an appointment or reappointment request? \***

☒ Appointment

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### Interests & Experiences

Marcus T Harvin

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve. Please attach any of the follow:

**Resume, Curriculum Vitae (CV), Professional Bio, or a Statement of Interest.**

[Marcus T. Harvin Resume.pdf](#)

Upload a Resume

**If not submitting a Resume or CV, please submit a ~150 word Statement of Interest as to why you are interested in serving on your selected boards/commissions. If you have uploaded a resume, you can write n/a.**

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Submitted

**Are you currently employed by the City of New Haven or the New Haven Public School System?**

☐ Yes ☒ No

Question applies to Youth Commission, Peace Commission

**Are you under 18 or over 18? If under 18, please provide your DOB.**

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Over 18

**Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission?**

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I love the city of New Haven, and I believe that my ideas and lived experience can serve as an asset to the city and its inhabitants.

**Why do you believe you would be a good fit for your selected board and commission(s)?**

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The boards which I selected are within the realm of my professional expertise and the purview of my lived experience.

**Do you have any time commitments that would prevent you from participating in board/commission meetings? Meeting times can be found by visiting [newhavenct.gov/boards](http://newhavenct.gov/boards) and clicking on a board/commission.**

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No

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## Demographics

**In order to stay compliant with State Statute, what is your political affiliation on your voter registration?**

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Democrat

**In order to stay compliant with our city's charter, are you registered to vote in New Haven?**

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☒ Yes ☐ No

We strive to maintain diversity in all of our Boards and Commissions. These questions are optional and if you volunteer the information we will only use it to ensure that our boards and commissions are diverse.

**Ethnicity**

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☒ African American

**Gender**

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☒ Male

**How did you hear about serving on our Boards & Commissions?**

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An employee of the city encouraged me to apply.

## **Marcus T. Harvin**

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### **EDUCATION**

**University of New Haven**, West Haven, CT

Bachelor of Arts in General Studies, Expected May 2025

GPA: 3.78/4.00

Honors: President's Public Service Fellow, Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Recipient,  
University of New Haven Prison Program Fellow, Dean's List (Four Consecutive Semesters),  
Distinguished Scholar

Activities: University of New Haven Mock Trial, University of New Haven Legal Society

**Access to Law School**, Yale Law School, New Haven, CT

Program Fellow, 2022-Present

Participated in a selective program designed to help New Haven-area residents apply to and succeed in law school. Partnered with individual law student mentors to develop critical case reading, legal writing, professional development, and leadership skills.

**Yale University**, New Haven, CT

Summer Session, July 2021

**Blackstone Career Institute**, Allentown, PA

Legal Assistant Paralegal Certification Program, Completed With Distinction, January 2021

**Yale Prison Education Initiative**, New Haven, CT

Associate of Arts in General Studies, High Honors, Graduated May 2023

GPA: 3.70/4.00

Honors: Inaugural Recipient of the Dwight Hall Service Award, Dean's List

### **EXPERIENCE**

**Newhallville Fresh Starts, Inc.**, New Haven, CT

*President and Founder*, January 2024-Present

Manage *Fresh-Taurant*, a community resource restaurant that has been open since February 2024 and that operates every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Coordinate distribution of over 1,000 meals per week to underserved individuals throughout New Haven County. Deliver meals to veterans, homeless shelters, living facilities for the elderly, women's health groups, children's centers, rehabilitation centers, and warming centers in New Haven County every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evening.

**FORDD Clinic: Yale School of Medicine**, New Haven, CT

*Peer Mentor*, January 2024-Present

Volunteer at a Yale-based clinic that supports individuals navigating issues related to substance abuse. Run a peer group on Mondays that focuses on helping participants discuss their experiences. Co-facilitate peer group sessions every Thursday to provide a space for participants to receive support. Support the clinic staff by providing individual check-ins for community members.

**Yale Prison Education Initiative**, New Haven, CT

*College to Career Fellow*, August 2022-July 2024

Helped facilitate a class for students at Yale about the prison system. Served as an assistant to a professor at the Yale Divinity School. Participated as a featured speaker and performer at the Yale Institute of Sacred Music.

**Neighborhood Housing Services of New Haven, New Haven, CT**

*President's Public Service Fellow, May-August 2023*

Served as a Fellow at housing organization as part of a UNH Fellowship that connects students with meaningful engagement opportunities with nonprofit organizations. Assisted the organization with beautification projects around New Haven, which focus on building and renovating homes that were then sold to first time homebuyers. Engaged in this work for an additional three months following the conclusion of this fellowship. Attended Community Leadership Institute in San Francisco, CA as part of a six-person team to discuss the work of the organization and learn from other organizations located throughout the country.

**GP Mobile, Branford, CT**

*Retail Sales Consultant, June 2022-January 2023*

Provided customer service for clients interested in exploring the company's phone plans. Received top marks in customer satisfaction surveys.

**AT&T Mobility, Hamden, CT**

*Retail Sales Consultant, November 2011-December 2014*

Supported customers with the purchase of cell phone plans and devices. Received the *Summit Silver* Award for providing excellent customer service and for being the top sales representative. Earned a top customer service rating in New England.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EXPERIENCE**

**Yale New Haven Health Systems, New Haven, CT**

*Equity Champion, June 2024-Present*

Work alongside YNHHS research partners to contribute ideas about how to strengthen the community's healthcare resources and address any gaps that the community is currently experiencing.

**Pitts Chapel UFWB Church, New Haven, CT**

*Licensed Minister, November 2023-Present*

Contribute to the church's expansion and renovation projects. Serve on the church's leadership team. Support the church's community engagement efforts in order to strengthen the relationship between the church and surrounding neighborhoods. Participate in the Men of Valor group, which focuses on strengthening the relationship between men and their faith.

**Seiche Center, New Haven, CT**

*Community Advisory Board Member, January 2023-Present*

Work as a consultant on various projects aimed at improving the lives of justice-impacted individuals.

**Transitions Clinic, New Haven, CT**

*Community Health Intern, January-December 2023*

Helped patients as they were checking into the clinic. Visited halfway houses throughout New Haven to inquire about the health conditions of individuals who had been recently released from prison. Worked with a justice-impacted patient as they navigated the process of getting an open-heart surgery.

**NeighborWorks America Community Leadership Institute, San Francisco, CA**

*Community Leader, Team Co-Lead, October 2023*

Participated in an invitation-only training event that focused on strengthening the voices and skills of community leaders throughout the country. Engaged in learning sessions about community relations.