

Application

Profile

If you have any questions or difficulty submitting this application, please reach out to Alex Guzhnay at aguzhnay@newhavenct.gov or call 203-946-7670.

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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) 355-3872

Primary Phone

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?

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

Employer

Job Title

To see our list of Boards and Commissions please click here: <https://newhaven-ct.granicus.com/boards/w/976a34cad711af7c/boards>

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Development Commission: Not Submitted

Peace Commission: Not Submitted

Redevelopment Agency: Submitted

Is this an appointment or reappointment request? *

☒ Appointment

Interests & Experiences

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.

[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 OR you are seeking reappointment, you can write n/a.

I am interested in serving on the Redevelopment Agency because my work in New Haven has focused on supporting underserved and marginalized communities, particularly families navigating housing, financial, and access-to-service challenges. As Co-Founder and Co-Executive Director of the Collective for Refugee and Immigrant Women's Wellbeing (CRIW), I work directly with community members who are deeply affected by housing costs, neighborhood development, and access to safe and stable living environments. Through this work, I have seen how redevelopment decisions impact families' stability, health, and long-term opportunities. I am passionate about ensuring that community voices; especially those of underserved residents are included in development conversations. I would be honored to bring my community experience and perspective to support equitable and inclusive development in the City of New Haven.

Question applies to Youth Commission, Peace Commission

Are you under 18 or over 18? If under 18, please provide your DOB. If over 18, you can write n/a

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

I am interested in serving on a board because I care about being involved in decisions that affect the community and the future of the city. Through my community work and leadership experience, I have seen how city policies and development decisions impact families, neighborhoods, and access to opportunities. I believe it is important for boards and commissions to include voices from different communities and lived experiences. I would like to contribute my experience working with diverse communities and support thoughtful, inclusive, and community-informed decision-making.

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

I believe I would be a good fit because of my experience in community leadership, nonprofit work, and grassroots organizing in New Haven. As Co-Founder and Co-Executive Director of a community-based organization, I have experience listening to community concerns, working with diverse populations, and helping connect people to resources and services. I also have experience working collaboratively, participating in meetings, and supporting programs that serve the public. I would bring a strong sense of responsibility, community perspective, and commitment to public service.

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, but most are usually once a month for 1-2 hours.

No

Demographics

Some boards and commissions require membership to be politically proportionate, per State Statute on minority party representation (CGS § 9-167a). What is your political affiliation on your voter registration (i.e Democrat, Republican, Unaffiliated, Independent, etc)?

Independent

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

☒ 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

☒ Other

Gender

☒ Female

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

Through community networks and local professional contacts in New Haven.