Application Form

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.

Miche		Palmer		
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name		
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Email Address	0111			
332 FRONT ST			UNIT 1	
Home Address			Suite or Apt	
New Haven			СТ	06513
City			State	Postal Code
What ward do you liv	ve in (optional	- please selec	t ward if you k	now)?
☑ Ward 15				
Mobile: (475) 414-8546 Primary Phone	Alternate Pho	one		
Are any of the above	number a cel	l phone numbe	er?	
⊙ Yes ♂ No				
If so, which? Also, is	it okay to sen	d a text messa	age?	
yes				
Are you currently em Public School Systen		City of New H	laven or the Ne	w Haven
○ Yes ⊙ No				
Yale University Employer	Greensk manage Job Title	kills program er		
To see our list of Board ct.granicus.com/boards			here: https://nev	vhaven-
Which Boards would				

Climate Emergency Task Force: Submitted

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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.

Resume Miche Palmer 2025.pdf

Upload a Resume

If not submitting a Resume or CV, please submit a \sim 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.

n/a

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

I am writing to express my interest in serving on the Climate Change Task Force. I am deeply committed to the mission of the Task Force, acknowledging the urgency expressed in Resolution LM-2018-0651 about the need for New Haven to take action in the current climate emergency. New Haven must continue to build resilience and preparedness thoughtfully and deliberately. The well-being and health of our current and future residents depend on the actions we take now. We must continue to lead with action and creativity by working together at the city level and listening to community members. If given the opportunity, I would contribute to these mandates through the Climate Change Task Force with expertise and professionalism.

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

I have studied the environment and climate change in school and have dedicated my working hours to tangible climate change mitigation and resilience through urban forestry. My work has been community-centered, action-oriented, data-driven, and collaborative. Fostering environmental stewardship through tree planting, tree care and green spaces has become my mode of defending communities from the repercussions of climate change.

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.

I could attend meetings Wednesday nights

Demographics

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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?

Democrat

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

✓ Nonbinary or third gender

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

From my teammate

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Miche Palmer

Urban Forester and Certified Arborist

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EXPERIENCE

Yale School of the Environment - Urban Resources Initiative, New Haven, CT GreenSkills Program Manager

June 2022 - Present

- Management of community-driven street tree planting program and green jobs program
- Coordination of the planting of 500-1000 trees annually
- Training and supervision of 12-24 Yale student interns yearly
- Training and supervision of 5-10 adults yearly
- Management of street tree planting and maintenance data
- Coordination and communication with City partners and community stakeholders daily

NYC Parks, New York, NY — Forester II

October 2017 - May 2022

Street Tree Planting Project Manager:

- Design: Site inspection, Species selection, Budgeting
- Supervision: Construction and Planting
- Community Relations
- Data Management

Lead Instructor:

- Young Street Tree Pruning Program
- Coordinator for New Forester Onboarding
- Supervisor for college student interns

Level 2 Inspector:

- Tree Risk Assessment for Storm Response
- Tree Inventory for NYC's Tree Census

Yale - Urban Resources Initiative, New Haven, CT — *Community Forester*

Fall 2016 - Summer 2017

Green Skills and Green Space Community Forestry:

- Tree planting and public green space landscaping
- Volunteer coordination and leadership
- Design and selection of perennials and trees
- Street tree inventory
- Data management and reporting

CERTIFICATIONS

ISA Certified Arborist (WE-9944A)

Tree Risk Assessment Qualified (TRAQ)

Commercial Drivers License - P

EDUCATION

Yale School of the Environment, Master of Environmental Management

University of Vermont, Bachelor of Science, Environmental Studies

Municipal Foresters Institute, Class of 2020

RELATED PROJECTS

DEI Consultant - NY State Urban Forestry Council, 2022

Mentor - Society of Municipal Arborists, 2022

DEIB Chair - New Haven Road Runners, 2024-present

OTHER SKILLS

Excel Access Forestry Management Systems TreeKeeper

Friends of the Urban Forest, San Francisco — *Education Coordinator*

July 2012 - July 2016

Tree Care Education:

- Facilitated adult education programs and training
- Trained and supervised high school and young adult crews in pruning and planting
- Expanded community partnerships across sectors
- Developed Curriculum
- Planting, Pruning, Sidewalk Landscaping

Outward Bound Bay Area, San Francisco — *Lead Instructor*

2010 - 2012

Outdoor skills leadership:

 Mentored and instructed high school students in urban and wilderness challenges, including backpacking (up to 3 week long expeditions), camping, climbing, kayaking, snowshoeing, and orienteering