City of New Haven: Boards & Commissions Submit Date: May 19, 2025

# **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.

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506 Whitney Ave			Apt 1	
Home Address			Suite or Apt	
New Haven			CT	06511
City			State	Postal Code
What ward do you live in (	optional -	please select war	d if you know	1)?
None Selected				
Home: (860) 201-3593				
Primary Phone	Alternate Phone			
Are any of the above numb	er a cell <sub>l</sub>	phone number?		
© Yes O 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: <a href="https://newhaven-ct.granicus.com/boards/w/976a34cad711af7c/boards">https://newhaven-ct.granicus.com/boards/w/976a34cad711af7c/boards</a>				
Which Boards would you like to apply for?				

Climate Emergency Task Force: Submitted Environmental Advisory Council: Submitted

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☑ 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 - Corey Creedon - February 2025.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 OR you are seeking reappointment, you can write n/a.

I am interested in leveraging my background in environmental management and climate change to serve on the Climate Emergency Taskforce or the Environmental Advisory Council to help advance climate action and a healthy environment.

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

I am interested in leveraging my background in environmental management and climate change to serve on the Climate Emergency Taskforce or the Environmental Advisory Council to help advance climate action and a healthy environment.

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

I have a strong background in environmental management and climate change which I would look to leverage, including my work with the Urban Resources Initiative (in 2018) on urban greenspace and community development.

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.

n/a - I would like to learn more about what is expected of board members during and outside of meetings

# **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?

democrat

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# 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**

▼ Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

Gender

Male

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

online

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# **COREY JAMES CREEDON**

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#### **EDUCATION**

# Yale University, School of Forestry & Environmental Studies

New Haven, CT

Master of Environmental Management

Bates College Lewiston, ME

Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies: Global Environment and Social Change (with Honors) and Spanish minor

#### **Certificates:**

#### Coursera

AI and Climate Change, 2025

#### **United Nations**

"An Introduction to Climate Change and Human Rights," 2025; "Introductory Course to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) in Countries experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa," 2024; "Climate Change: From Learning to Action," "Human Health and Climate Change," "Gender and Environment," and "Fundamentals on REDD+," 2020

#### WE ACT

Environmental Health and Justice Leadership Training, 2023

Environmental Leadership and Training Initiative (an initiative of the Yale School of the Environment)

"Restauración forestal en paisajes productivos" ("Forest restoration in productive landscapes"), 2020

#### RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

# Landesa, Sustainable Land Use and Livelihoods Specialist

May 2022 - present

- Leading climate change technical support including research, analysis, policy recommendations, tools, and capacity-building for addressing climate change and strengthening land rights through development projects in Africa, South Asia, and Southeast Asia
- Co-designed, successfully secured Department of State funding, and serving as Technical Lead for a project on "Women-led Advocacy for Climate Action" in South Asia

University of Maryland Global Campus, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Environmental Management Adjunct Faculty Instructor, Environmental Policy August 2024-present May 2020-August 2024

- Teaching undergraduate and graduate online courses in Environmental Policy
- Facilitating learning, managing course content including developing and updating curriculum, and grading assignments

# Consultative Group of International Agricultural Research (CGIAR), Visiting Researcher

February 2022-April 2022

- Conducted research on the field of climate security, including a review and recommendations on approaches, frameworks, and toolkits for measuring and mitigating climate security risk to the United Nations Development Programme
- Investigated and analyzed the climate security policy environment, including stakeholder mapping for a strategic brief to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization

#### United Nations Development Programme, Climate Security Risk Programme Officer

February 2021-March 2022

- Led a project analyzing climate security risks with a focus on transboundary water resource management in Andean countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, and Peru), coordinated a Climate Security Risk Taskforce, supported qualitative and quantitative analysis, and crafted policy action plans and strategies to address priority issues
- Assisted with the drafting of Terms of Reference and the onboarding of a project team
- Planned, tracked, monitored, and evaluated project progress

# U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Ocean and Coastal Management Research Fellow

Washington, D.C. | July 2019-March 2021

- Co-coordinated a coastal wetlands inter-agency workgroup, facilitating multi-stakeholder collaboration around the development of a 5-year Implementation Plan (2020-2025) and corresponding projects
- Produced a research paper on the drivers of wetland loss in forested wetlands and presented findings to senior leadership and interagency workgroups on solutions-oriented policy recommendations and best practices
- Researched opportunities to integrate environmental justice into the EPA's work, including developing a project proposal on mapping the intersection of water quality and environmental justice and providing technical guidance on climate change indicators to add to EPA's environmental justice mapping tool

#### African People and Wildlife, Community Engagement Consultant

New Haven, CT | October 2018-December 2018

• Conducted research and contributed writing on community-based conservation and best practices to help inform and drive an enhanced community-based conservation model in a joint National Geographic and African People & Wildlife 2019 publication

Urban Resources Initiative, Community Development and Forestry Specialist

New Haven, CT | May 2018-August 2018

- Managed seven urban greenspace projects coordinating a total of 65 volunteers, 357 volunteer hours, 31 community events, and 110 restoration plantings; monitored and evaluated projects
- Facilitated community-building through outreach, organizing, and environmental stewardship
- Planned and guided ecological restoration through strategic research, planting, and maintenance of urban greenspace sites

#### **Yale University,** Teaching Fellow – Conservation Biology

New Haven, CT | September 2017-December 2017

Facilitated weekly discussion sections; taught, graded, and engaged with students on conservation biology topics

#### United Nations Development Programme, Climate Change and Ecosystems Intern

Lima, Peru | June 2017-August 2017

- Investigated and assisted in the theory of change, grant proposal, and project development of an Ecosystem-Based Adaptation
  project for the Green Climate Fund aimed at water resource management and community resilience in Andes mountain regions
- Monitored and evaluated a project granting land titles to indigenous communities to prevent Amazon deforestation

#### The Forests Dialogue, Program Associate

New Haven, CT | September 2016-May 2017

Coordinated a multi-stakeholder dialogue platform and consensus-based collaboration on land use and sustainable wood energy

# Rustic Pathways, Global Program Leader

Bayahibe, Dominican Republic | June 2016-August 2016

- Coordinated programmatic activities including coral reef and mangrove restoration in partnership with local counterparts, marine
  mammal and endangered sea turtle conservation and waste management
- Guided service work of 60 high school students facilitating leadership development and team-building skills

### World Wildlife Fund & Peace Corps, Coordinator of Climate Change & REDD+ Training

Asunción, Paraguay | Dec. 2014-Dec. 2015

- Co-planned and implemented a model for mobilizing civil society on climate change, educating 50+ Paraguayan youth and gathering public opinion of 300+ youth on needed national climate change action; assisted in formal presentations of results
- Investigated concept of free, prior, and informed consent in the context of conservation, making recommendations to World Wildlife Fund (WWF) to enhance community-level work
- Developed climate change and REDD+ training materials and monitored and evaluated WWF fieldwork with rural farmers and indigenous communities; developed maps with ArcGIS
- Served as a liaison to enhance collaboration between WWF and Peace Corps

#### **Peace Corps,** Environmental Conservation Specialist

Coronel Oviedo, Paraguay | September 2012-December 2014

- Coordinated environmental education program promoting 3Rs (reduce, reuse, recycle) in 11 schools reaching ~400 teachers and ~5,000 students; monitored and evaluated program implementation and results; facilitated tree planting and recycling projects
- Facilitated the founding of a local division a Sustainable Cities Network and co-led subsequent community events
- Served as Principal Coordinator of the Paraguay Verde Youth Environmental Leadership Camp and Initiative; engaged 70 youth
  participants, forging a network of environmental leaders, and developing community-based action plans; led a steering team of 15
  members comprised of Peace Corps Staff, Volunteers, and a local NGO; prepared and facilitated programmatic sessions
- Co-designed and executed early phases of a water restoration project targeting a polluted waterway
- National Volunteer Advisory Council President; peer-elected to represent 226 fellow Peace Corps volunteers steering a fourmember team; facilitated open communication among volunteers and senior staff targeting solutions-oriented feedback
- Contributed to designing and executing a UN Women HeForShe gender equality campaign by facilitating capacity-building sessions

#### Rustic Pathways, Global Program Leader

San Jose, Costa Rica | June 2012-August 2012

- Coordinated programmatic activities including endangered sea turtle conservation in protected areas and community service efforts
- Guided service work of 120 high school students facilitating leadership development and team-building skills

# Bates College Writing and Speaking Center, Peer Writing and Speaking Assistant

Lewiston, ME | September 2011-May 2012

• Assisted students to formulate ideas, draft, and edit writing and oral presentation assignments by conducting sessions and mentoring students from two environmental courses collaborating with students and faculty

# **DuPont,** Product Stewardship and Regulatory Crop Protection Intern

Wilmington, DE | May 2011-August 2011

• Led and conducted a carbon footprint and greenhouse gas study of the 3,300-acre Chesapeake Farms property

#### Environment Maine, Legislative Intern

Portland, ME | January 2011-April 2011

- Researched and promoted clean energy policy through developing policy briefs, op-eds, and public relations outreach
- Engaged in state committee meetings and sessions

#### Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, Seasonal State Park Staff

Torrington, CT | May 2010-August 2010

Strategically engaged in land use planning by maintaining and developing park trails; engaged in education and public outreach

#### **SKILLS**

Full Professional Proficiency in Spanish; Proficient in Microsoft Office, ArcGIS, Maxent, and Circuitscape