

Application for Boards and Commissions

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City of New Haven, CT

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Are you a registered voter?	Yes
What political party do you belong to? [This information is only requested as it is required by the city charter (Article X Sec. 2-551) to ensure minority party representation on boards and commissions]	Independent
Which board and/or commission are you hoping to serve on?	Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC)
What is your current occupation?	Assistant Dean of Students at New Haven Academy
Please explain why you are interested in serving on this board/commission?	This would be my first time serving my community on a bureaucratic/democratic level. Although I have minimal experience in that realm, Laura Cahn and Kathy Fay (both current EAC members) have encouraged me to apply. They believe that I can offer new insight as a bilingual, woman of color from the millennial generation.
Why do you believe you are a good fit for this board/commission?	I want to be the part of the next generation of environmental leaders. Often times, POCs are extremely underrepresented in this field for a variety of systematic and individual reasons. However, I want to reclaim space and time to dismantle those same obstacles in addition to finally vocalizing series of environmental topics/issues that could/are overlooked by the same people in the EAC.
Do you have any time commitments that would prevent you from participating in the board/commission meetings?	No, I am generally available after 5 pm M-F.