City of Hyattsville Submit Date: Nov 24, 2023

## **Board, Committee, and Commission Application**

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First Name	Last Name		
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Email Address			

## Committee Stipend Program - Members Receive a Stipend of \$40 per Meeting Attended

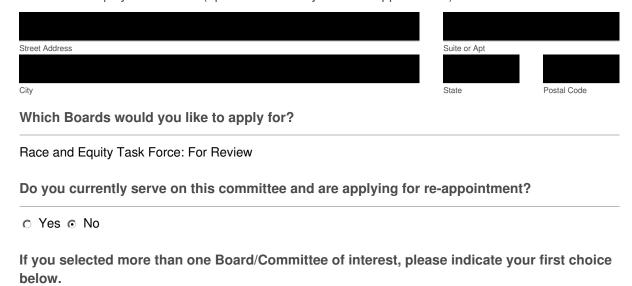
Upon appointment to a committee, you are automatically enrolled into the stipend program but in order to receive your payment you must complete and submit a W-9 form. The W-9 form will be emailed to committee members upon confirmation of your appointment.

Please enter your address below.

Many, but not all, of our committees require residency within the incorporated City limits of Hyattsville. To check your residency status, please visit the map: <u>City Residency Map</u>

Committees that accept applications from individuals residing outside of the incorporated City limits are listed below:

- Education Advisory Committee (at least 50% + 1 of sitting committee members must be residents of the City)
- Educational Facilities Task Force (up to one non-City resident appointment)
- Race and Equity Task Force (up to one-non City resident appointment)



**Education Advisory Committee** 

To find your City Ward, click on this link! City Residency Map

Please select your ward from the drop down list below. \*

✓ Not a City Resident

Primary Phone

## Referred By:

no one

Please provide a brief background statement including why you want to serve on the committee/s for which you are applying. This statement may be posted on the City's website.

I am interested in joining the Education Advisory Committee because prior to the zone redistricting I have been a lifelong resident of Hyattsville and I want to use my knowledge and skill set to give back to the very community that raised me. I attended Northwestern High School, Hyattsville Middle School, and Ridgecrest Elementary School. I pursed a bachelors and masters degree in Special Education at the University of Maryland College Park. My purpose in life is to advocate for children most importantly those with disabilities. Currently I work as a board certified behavior analyst for a neighboring county school district. I support students who may be having challenging behaviors in school. My personal and career successes are a byproduct of the opportunities given to me through the city of Hyattsville. From my amazing teachers in public school to free resources through the library, I am so grateful to have a community that prioritizes the wellbeing of its residents especially the youth. Based on my background and expertise, I believe that I can be a valuable member of this committee. Thank you for your time.