



Recruitment Announcement

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Seattle Disability Commission Seeks Candidates

SEATTLE 2021 – 2022 - The [Seattle Disability Commission](https://www.seattle.gov/commission-for-people-with-disabilities) seeks applications to fill vacancies on the Commission. The Commission is seeking individuals passionate about working with local government officials to improve experiences within the disability communities. Commissioners have the opportunity to promote positive change by working with community groups and individuals to identify areas of concern, by making recommendations regarding policy and legislative changes, and by serving as liaisons between communities and city government.

Applicants must live or work in Seattle, demonstrate a commitment to social justice and civil rights, be collaborative leaders, and demonstrate desire and ability to dedicate 10-15 hours per month. This includes attendance at monthly meetings, participation in committee work, meeting with City departments, communicating with legislators, and addressing community concerns.

Candidates should consider attending a monthly Commission meeting occurring on:

- Every Third Thursday of each month, from 4:00-6:00pm

Disability commission meetings currently provide several accommodations including live captioning, ASL interpreters, and documents in 22-point font for screen readers. Please see the commission website to learn more about the commission.

<https://www.seattle.gov/commission-for-people-with-disabilities>

To apply, submit necessary documents as listed below with the email subject line “Seattle Disability Commission Application - (YOUR NAME)” to janet.stafford@seattle.gov. Interviews with selected applicants will be conducted in mid-January 2022.

- Resume
- Responses to essay questions on page 2 of this document

**Alternatively, as an accommodation, applicants may send a video that details their resume and interest. If additional application accommodations are needed, please contact janet.stafford@seattle.gov*

The City of Seattle is committed to promoting diversity in its boards and commissions. Women, persons with disabilities, sexual and gender minorities, young persons, senior citizens, persons of color, and immigrants are encouraged to apply.

Essay Questions (approximately 100-250 words per question)

1. Please describe how your professional, academic, volunteer, and personal experiences would make you a good fit as a commissioner.
2. How have you demonstrated a commitment to disability justice in your personal and professional career?
3. The Office for Civil Rights has a commitment to lead with racial equity. How would you lead with racial equity on this commission?
4. What are the top 1-3 issues that you would work to advance if you were on the Seattle Disability Commission?