

Recruitment Announcement

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Seattle Disability Commission seeks 13 new commissioner candidates

SEATTLE (February 1st, 2021) – The SDC is housed within the Office for Civil Rights that provides part-time staffing to assist the commission in carrying out its goals. 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. The Commission is seeking individuals passionate about working with local government officials to improve experiences within disability communities.

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

We strongly encourage Black, Indigenous and other people of color to apply.

Applicants should:

- Be passionate about working with local government officials to improve experiences of people with disabilities
- Live or work in Seattle
- Demonstrate a commitment to dismantling white supremacy and understanding the intersections between the disabled community and BIPOC communities.
- Have meaningful connections within Seattle disability communities that they can call upon to support commission work
- Demonstrate experience being collaborative leaders
- Be able to regularly attend Commission meetings on the third Thursday of each month from 4:00-6:00 p.m.
- Demonstrate a desire and ability to spend 10-15 hours per month working on Commission-related projects

To apply, email the following documents* with the email subject line "Seattle Disability Commission Application - (YOUR NAME)" to molly.brewer@seattle.gov by **Friday February 26**th, **2021 at 5pm.**

- Resume
- Responses to essay questions on the last page of this document

*Alternatively, as an accommodation, applicants may send a video that details their resume and their answers to the essay questions. If additional application accommodations are needed please contact molly.brewer@seattle.gov

The City of Seattle is committed to promoting diversity in the City's Boards and Commissions. The City welcomes applications from persons with disabilities, Black, Indigenous, and Persons of Color; persons of different faiths, immigrants, youth, aging individuals, persons of all sexual orientations, and persons with marginalized gender identities.

For more information or questions about accommodations, contact: Molly Brewer, molly.brewer@seattle.gov

Seattle Disability Commission Application for Membership

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?