

Equity Advisory Board Applicant

Package - Citizen at Large

Equity Advisory Board - Alternate

Term 25 Jun 2024 - 30 Nov 2026

Positions Available 1

Number of applicants in this package 1

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Board Name: Equity Advisory Board

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Please list any civic and professional accomplishments/honors, training or experience related to this appointment::

As a Black woman with a passion for promoting equity and social justice, I believe I can contribute significantly to this important work. Lived Experience: Growing up in historically marginalized neighborhoods, I have witnessed firsthand the challenges faced by our community. My experiences have shaped my commitment to advocating for equitable opportunities and dismantling systemic barriers. Professional Accomplishments: In my role as a customer service representative at Gas South, I honed my communication skills, empathy, and ability to address diverse needs. Additionally, my background in property management, budgeting, and regulatory compliance equips me to analyze complex issues and propose effective solutions. Community Involvement: I have actively engaged with local organizations that focus on equity and inclusion. Whether volunteering at community centers or participating in grassroots initiatives, I am dedicated to fostering positive change. Advocacy and Leadership: As an advocate, I have mentored young women of color, empowering them to pursue education and career goals. I have also collaborated with community leaders to create programs that address housing disparities and economic inequality. I am committed to advancing equity in Alachua County and am excited about the opportunity to serve on the Equity Advisory Board.

Please list any current/previous Advisory Board appointments:

N/A

What Contributions do you feel you could make if you were selected to this board?:

As someone deeply committed to advancing equity and social justice, I believe I can contribute significantly in the following ways: Community Engagement and Outreach: I will actively engage with historically marginalized neighborhoods, listening to community members' concerns and advocating for their needs. By fostering partnerships with local organizations, I can help bridge gaps and ensure that equity initiatives are inclusive and impactful. Policy Advocacy and Analysis: My experience in property management and regulatory compliance equips me to analyze policies critically. I will collaborate with fellow board members to propose evidence-based solutions that address systemic inequities. Education and Awareness: I am passionate about education as a tool for empowerment. I will work to raise awareness about equity issues through workshops, seminars, and community events. By promoting dialogue and understanding, we can create a more informed and empathetic community. Data-Driven Decision-Making: I am proficient in data analysis and budgeting. I will use these skills to assess the impact of equity programs and recommend adjustments as needed. Transparency and accountability are essential for achieving meaningful change. Collaboration and Inclusivity: I value diverse perspectives. As a board member, I will actively seek input from underrepresented groups. Together, we can create policies that uplift everyone, leaving no one behind.

Please Agree with the following statements:

I understand this application is the property of Alachua County and subject to public records laws. I hereby certify that the statements made on this application are true and correct. I understand that Appointees to advisory board/committees are required to attend scheduled meetings as specified in the "Guidelines for Citizen Advisory Boards and Committees". I understand that some boards and committees require Financial Disclosure (Chapter 112, Florida Statutes) and I am willing to file if required. I affirm that my personal and business (if applicable) affairs within Alachua County are in substantial compliance with all county regulatory and taxing authorities rules and regulations?:

Yes

Note: This question is for the Gainesville-Alachua County Airport Authority Board

Do you currently hold any publicly elected office in the State of Florida?:

No

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Have you, as yourself or as an employee, agent or consultant for another person or legal entity, transacted business with the authority within the last 3 years?:

No

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If so, please disclose the nature of the transaction.:

N/a

Are you currently serving, or have you ever served, on an Alachua County advisory board? :

No

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