

Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities Application



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City of Oakland Boards and Commissions Application

Name (first and last)	Emily Habansky
Home phone #	
Email address	
Home Address	
Type of employment	Office Technician
Employer	Department of Rehabilitation
Work phone	
Work address	
Board or commission you wish to serve on	Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities
Why do you wish to serve as a member of the Board/Commission?	I am passionate about serving persons with disabilities because I am mobility impaired and serve the disability population daily at my job. I was advised by two people already on the commission to apply to serve as a member.
What experience do you have in this topic area?	I have worked at four different nonprofit organizations serving people with disabilities in addition to working at DOR in a supportive capacity. I am living with the mobility impairment and believe I would be an asset to the commission.
Experience serving on Boards/Commissions:	I have not served on a board or commission yet and think this would be a great opportunity for me to give back to the community in Oakland to where I live.
Approximate hours available per month to spend on Board/Commission activities:	25
Organizational Memberships:	Oakland Arts Association member

Volunteer Activities:

I currently work full-time and I'm not volunteering.

Please list two references with telephone numbers:

Leslie Fuentes Supervisor
Supervisor

89 / Will Salone Previous Supervisor

Applicant's signature:



[Link to signature](#)

Date:

08/20/2025

City of Oakland Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities Supplemental Application

1. What is your experience with disability (personal or professional)? The MCPD's goal is to achieve equal representation of the diversity of disability experiences, including but not limited to:

Physical

Other

2. Do you have knowledge in one or more of the following areas? Please describe.

Housing rights

Employment rights

Education rights

Transportation rights

Physical access requirements (California Building Code and Federal Standards & Guidelines)

Assistive technology

Self-Advocacy

As a person living with a mobility impairment who works for DOR, I have a wealth of knowledge that I could contribute to the commission.

3. Do you have knowledge of how municipal government organizations work and the budget process? Please describe.

I have an idea of how the municipal government organizations work because I am a California state employee and I'm familiar with the policies, process and procedures involved. I have experience reviewing budgets as well.

4. Do you have professional expertise in one or more of the following areas? Please describe.

Public administration

Fiscal policy

Project Management

Event Planning

Other

5. MCPD seeks representation that reflects the diversity of Oakland including but not limited to disability, age, ethnicity, race, religion, sex, language, and council district of residence. How would you contribute to the diversity of the MCPD?

I am a power wheelchair user and would be a valuable contributor to the commission.

6. To be eligible candidates should be residents or work in Oakland. Exceptions may apply for individuals with unique expertise on a case-by-case basis so anyone interested is encouraged to apply. Do you live and/or work in Oakland? If not, what motivates you to join the MCPD?

Yes

Resume

[Emily Habansky Resume 2025.pdf](#)

Cover letter

[Cover Letter.pdf](#)