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Are you a resident of San Jose?

Yes No

What district do you live in? To verify, please click here:
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District 4

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Educational Background: Describe how your education will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

My extensive coursework ranging various studies from history to Spanish will allow me to view local challenges and progress from a broad and informed perspective. Piedmont Hills High School (Aug. 2023 - Present) AP Calculus AB, AP Computer Science Principles, AP Computer Science A, AP World History: Modern, AP Spanish Language and Culture, AP English Language and Composition De Anza College (Jul. 2024 - Present) CIS 22A (Beginning Programming Methodologies in C++), CIS 22B (CIS 22B Intermediate Programming Methodologies in C++), CIS 22C (Data Abstractions and Structures), MATH 22 (Discrete Mathematics)

Professional Experience: (employer, position) Describe how your employment history will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

I am experienced in public speaking, working with younger children, and reaching out to partners/speakers for events. Multiple Roles @ San Jose Youth Commission District 4 Youth Advisory Council Vice Chair @ San Jose Youth Commission District 4 Youth Advisory Council (Oct. 2025 - Present) - I am currently involved in working with Akshadha to plan our annual A.I.M. conference for local students. My job entails reaching out to potential speakers and brainstorming our workshops. Additionally, I was part of leading our Adopt a Park initiative. Collectively, we have spent more than 30 hours serving Penitencia Creek Park through litter pickup and landscaping work. Team Lead @ San Jose Youth Commission District 4 Youth Advisory Council (Oct. 2023 - Jun. 2024) - Organized "You(th) Can Prevent Overdose," a drug safety seminar at the Berryessa Branch Library attended by local district high school students. Activities included a narcan administration lesson from a Foothill College EMT professor and her students. Worked with the SCCOOPP, the county opioid addiction awareness task force, to distribute narcan to attendees. - Contributed to "AIM," an inspiring career event for high schoolers held at the King Branch Library. Guest speakers included Vice Mayor Kamei and State Congressman Alex Lee. Led a panel for attendees to ask questions about fields like medicine, law, and art. - Participated at the annual Budget Summit at which I discussed new ideas for fostering the use of public transportation among San Jose's youth with District 5 YAC members. Volunteer Math Teacher @ Boys and Girls Club of America Alum Rock Branch (Oct. 2022 - Present) - Developed a fun, game-based curriculum in both English and Spanish that teaches foundational concepts like addition, subtraction, and multiplication. Taught the curriculum weekly to a second grade class since 2022. The Boys and Girls Club of America is a nationwide organization that works towards the vision of a country where every child has access to quality education and a safe learning space. It operates centers that provide after-school programs, especially for underprivileged communities. 2023-2024 Freshman Representative @ Piedmont Hills California Scholarship Federation (CSF) (Oct. 2023 - May 2024) - Helped in coordinating Take a Teacher to Lunch Day, a special meal that students prepare in the library to appreciate school staff. - Also organized volunteering events for club members such as helping to make craft kits at RAFT, a local teacher resource center. Multiple Roles @ Orion Abacus Association (Mar. 2022 - Present) President @ Orion Abacus Association (Mar. 2026 - Present) Executive Vice President @ Orion Abacus Association (Mar. 2025 - Mar. 2026) - Coordinating the organization's various teams to begin working on new events for this coming term such as External Operations Vice President @ Orion Abacus Association (Mar. 2024 - Mar. 2025) - Grew the organization's outreach in teaching mental math and abacus skills to students at local community centers. - Ran interest meetings to recruit more volunteers for the teaching programs. Internal Operations Vice President @ Orion Abacus Association (Mar. 2023 - Mar. 2024) - Presented organization growth to donors at the annual meeting. - Supported events such as the annual mental math test, seminars with international students, and the annual training for teachers' assistants. Coordinator of Development @ Orion Abacus Association (Mar. 2022 - Mar. 2023) - Developed a curriculum to teach a cohort of students leadership and organizational skills like event planning, Excel spreadsheets, and public speaking. - Ran monthly meetings to teach the skills and run practice activities.

Languages Spoken

Spanish, English, Indonesian, Mandarin Chinese

Relevant Skills or Expertise: (e.g. budgeting, community outreach, legal knowledge). If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

LEADERSHIP SKILLS: event planning, team coordination & task delegation, reaching out to potential partners/speakers for events, clear & concise email communication, leveraging social media to gain publicity LANGUAGE SKILLS: proficiency in Spanish, English, Indonesian, and Mandarin

Please state why you want to become a member of this Board or Commission including specific objectives which you would work toward as a member. If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I aspire to join the Youth Commission so that I can add value to my district and our city through fresh ideas and skills I can use to implement these new visions. Some objectives of mine include 1) encouraging local youth to use public transportation more often, 2) implementing a project-based instead of a role-based YAC model, 3) providing wellness resources to local youth.

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Yes No

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Question applies to Youth Commission

• Please state your current responsibilities in other organizations and groups, as well as the time commitment associated with those responsibilities (including family responsibilities).

I am a part of the organizations I have listed in my experience section, and I spent a few hours every week on organizational work. Becoming a Commissioner would simply be a continuation of my involvement in D4YAC.

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Supplemental Questions

Please list your community involvement, including jobs and volunteer work.

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In one paragraph, please explain your community interests.

One of the community interests that I am most passionate about is our city's use of public transit. When I arrive at Piedmont Hills High School every morning, I still see so many cars lined up around the drop-off zone. Each vehicle uses up energy and releases pollutants, environmental detriments that can be mitigated if local youth opt to walk or use public transit. Additionally, morning traffic causes jams that burden neighborhood residents and local parents who need clear roads for efficient commutes. To use public transportation options more often, our local community's confidence in local buses and trains must increase. As a city, we must work to improve safety and cleanliness by organizing bus-riding groups at schools and car-free days that encourage ways of being good environmental stewards in the way we move around. When residents feel that our buses and trains are part of their daily lives, they will grow more passionate about the cleanliness and health of these public spaces. In addition, increased use of public transportation services helps make onboard crimes less undetected.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel are some of the problems facing the youth of San Jose?

In the Bay Area's fast-paced landscape, community organizations already focus so much on providing students with resources to succeed in their career aspirations. For example, when I served as a team lead on D4YAC, we organized AIM, a conference at the King library for local teenagers to browse opportunity booths and connect with career panelists. These kinds of events are inspiring, but what we often forget as a driven youth community is that life is not just about achieving—it's about truly thriving. To truly thrive does not just mean getting admitted to university and seeking a rewarding job. Both are great, but focusing on just those two securities leaves so much out of the picture. As a Youth Commission, we should focus on walking alongside local students as they seek ways to add their value—unique gifts, ideas, enthusiasm—to the San Jose community we share. If our local leaders of tomorrow have a spirit of contributing instead of a mentality of taking, we will be one step closer to a city full of empathy and fulfillment. For me to present local issues without solutions would be unfair. One way I believe we can foster a culture of using one's gifts to serve others is mentorship. As a student, I would feel more confidence and inspiration if I knew people with passions similar to mine who could provide guidance based on their years of experience. Thus, as a Youth Commission, we can pilot a program that matches City of San Jose employees who sign up as mentors with students who apply for mentorship. Activities can include shadowing and a weekly check-in. Through such a program, students can learn how real adults are using their skills to make a difference in the city government's many departments: education, legal, accounting, IT, and others. In addition to guiding students as they find ways to be community-centered contributors, the Youth Commission should focus on helping local teenagers emphasize wellness and rest. Currently, our ratio of career-focused events to wellness-focused events does not make self-care a priority. Before we have the capacity to pour ourselves into helping others, we must ensure that our own buckets—physical and mental health—are full.

What do you feel the priorities of the Youth Commission should be?

In addition to fostering a San Jose where youth not only achieve but also truly thrive, the Youth Commission must prioritize engagement among the population it represents. When I served on D4YAC, I learned that many commissions and boards in our city's government are not filled. The problem is not that San Jose's people are apathetic; they are simply unaware of their potential in stepping into community service. One way I mean to increase youth engagement in local government as a youth commissioner is by structuring roles in my advisory council around projects. Instead of opening vague roles that potential applicants at nearby high schools may be nervous or unsure about committing to, I will list several two-month projects online. For example, a listing might be "Planning a Tree Planting Event at a Local Park" or "Organizing a Narcan Awareness Seminar @ Berryessa Branch Library." I will onboard a team of candidates who are passionate about the project and guide them to the finish line. By having really specific, two-month projects instead of vague roles, I hope to promote leadership based on action instead of title. Having many projects open throughout the year will also ensure that more district four youth can participate under Youth Commission than in the traditional YAC model that onboards around twenty people for the whole year. I will still recognize the voice of local youth in what projects should be listed, however. Wherever projects will be posted, a project suggestion form will be listed as well.

Have you ever attended or watched a meeting of the Commission(s) to which you are applying?

Yes No

Would you be available to attend meetings at the scheduled time?

Yes No

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What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?

Please list three issues facing the City that you feel the Council should address.

How can you contribute to advising City Council on policy and programs related to cultural development in San José?

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Yes

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If you are not selected for your district's Commission seat, would you be interested in the Citywide Commissioner role?

Yes

Anything else you would like us to know?

(Optional) Please upload a resume.

Retirement Board Questions Only

Verification

Ethan Effendi

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I Agree *

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District 5

Mobile: [Redacted]
Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

Length of Residency

6 or more years

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Youth Commission: Submitted

Question applies to Youth Commission

Birthdate

██████/2012

Student

Employer

Student

Job Title

Current Employer Address

████████████████████

Current Employer of Spouse

NA

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

NA

Spouse's Job Title

NA

If you or your spouse is retired and receiving a pension, please state source of pension.

NA

Interests & Experiences

Educational Background: Describe how your education will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

I am an 8th grader.

Professional Experience: (employer, position) Describe how your employment history will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

I am a student.

Languages Spoken

English and Spanish

Relevant Skills or Expertise: (e.g. budgeting, community outreach, legal knowledge). If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I am experienced in the youth voice, and business.

Please state why you want to become a member of this Board or Commission including specific objectives which you would work toward as a member. If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I would like to serve on the Youth Commission because I believe it will be a great opportunity to make my community better. The chance to help the Mayor and City Council in their decision making will help me support the youth of San Jose.

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Question applies to Youth Commission

• Please state your current responsibilities in other organizations and groups, as well as the time commitment associated with those responsibilities (including family responsibilities).

I work with the Catalino Tapia Foundation to help support fundraising efforts for college students in need of support. I foster kittens, and have worked with my mom to catch all of the feral cats in my neighborhood in order to have them spayed and neutered. I am a three-sport student athlete (basketball, volleyball, and flag football). Since all of my activities are seasonal, I average about 4 hours per week in my activities.

Reference 1 Name

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Reference 2 Name

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Supplemental Questions

Please list your community involvement, including jobs and volunteer work.

I volunteer for the Catalino Tapia Foundation. In that role, I help support students who need access to college funds. I have also attended many community meetings.

In one paragraph, please explain your community interests.

I am very interested in helping San Jose youth have access to business mentorship. I also want to work with the Mayor and City Council to help identify funding for youth programs in entrepreneurship.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel are some of the problems facing the youth of San Jose?

I think that the youth of San Jose need access to after school activities. With more after school activities, San Jose's youth will have the opportunity to find positive role models and experiences. I also think it is important to help business minded youth find mentorship and support to help start small businesses. In East San Jose, young people do not have access to this type of support and their ideas never get the chance to become a real business.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel the priorities of the Youth Commission should be?

The Youth Commission should be focused on working with the City Council to find financial support for youth issues and programs. Also, I think it is very important to make sure we give the youth perspective to the Mayor and City Council.

Have you ever attended or watched a meeting of the Commission(s) to which you are applying?

Yes No

Would you be available to attend meetings at the scheduled time?

Yes No

Please describe your experience in serving on a Commission or Board.

I have served on my school's student council.

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Describe recent San José arts activities you have participated in during the last twelve months (up to five activities) and what drew you to attend?

I have been to cultural events at the Mexican Heritage Plaza. Last month, I went with my parents to see a play there.

Describe the ways in which you believe the arts bring value to the general community, and what role should the City of an Jose have in arts and cultural development.

Should the City of San José have an active role in arts and cultural development? If so, in what ways and why?

How can you contribute to advising City Council on policy and programs related to cultural development in San José?

What is the purpose of historic preservation in San José and what is the role of the Historic Landmarks Commission in achieving that purpose?

Please explain your prior experience with historic preservation, with San José's public planning processes, and in working with City or other public agency staff.

Do you have a background in early care and education issues?

Yes No

What involvement have you had in library and/or early education issues?

Would you be willing to attend local special events/meetings as a representative of the Library and Early Education Commission?

Please describe your experience in working with governmental agencies.

As a Parks and Recreation Commissioner, how would you handle a situation where you have a volatile Community group which is opposed to a staff proposal?

Can you provide examples of major public policy issues that you have been involved in and what your role was in the issue?

What is a major issue facing San José's older adults and what do you see as the Commission's role in this issue?

Please describe a leadership role you have assumed within the last five years.

How would you handle differences in opinions or positions on issues being heard at a Senior Commission meeting?

What makes you knowledgeable about senior issues in the community?

Question applies to Youth Commission

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No,

Question applies to Youth Commission

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If you are not selected for your district's Commission seat, would you be interested in the Citywide Commissioner role?

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Anything else you would like us to know?

Since I was a little girl, I have worked to help my community. When I was in the fourth grade, I worked to help raise money for backpacks and school supplies. I think that I can help my community more on the Youth Commission.

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Question applies to Youth Commission

Birthdate

█/2010

City of San Jose

Employer

Youth Commissioner

Job Title

Current Employer Address

San Jose

Current Employer of Spouse

N/A

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

N/A

Spouse's Job Title

N/A

If you or your spouse is retired and receiving a pension, please state source of pension.

Interests & Experiences

Educational Background: Describe how your education will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

My education at Notre Dame San Jose, which focuses on leadership and justice, prepares me to advocate for the issues youth face. I will use my experience to uplift youth and try my best in everything I accomplish.

Professional Experience: (employer, position) Describe how your employment history will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

My experience being a Youth Commissioner for the past year has let me gain more experience in leadership. I've secured my footing and know how to work on a team such as the commission and my YAC. I will continue building on my experience from last year and making more projects and initiatives.

Languages Spoken

Spanish, English, German

Relevant Skills or Expertise: (e.g. budgeting, community outreach, legal knowledge). If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I have skills in community outreach and team leadership through my last year being the district 6 commissioner. I'm a fast, dedicated learner and I always put all my effort in everything I do. After gaining my footing this past year, I want to build on my knowledge to make a true impact. I want to continue exercising my strong teamwork, communication, and problem-solving skills while helping others.

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I want to continue being a member of this commission to empower San Jose's youth and give them the chance to make change in the world. I care about making a positive impact in my community, and I would love to continue to be a leader who encourages other youth to be civically active. I want to help people and make our city a better place, and uplift youth voices and cultures.

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Yes No

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Question applies to Youth Commission

• Please state your current responsibilities in other organizations and groups, as well as the time commitment associated with those responsibilities (including family responsibilities).

My current responsibilities include: District 6 youth commissioner, mock trial team member, actor in my schools spring musical, head of my schools business and marketing for theater, participant in german school. Overall, these responsibilities, while requiring time commitment, leave me room for expanding my responsibilities as a Youth Commissioner.

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Supplemental Questions

Please list your community involvement, including jobs and volunteer work.

As an active member of my community, I volunteer at my middle school, attend community events in my neighborhood, and act as a youth commissioner.

In one paragraph, please explain your community interests.

I'm really into youth advocacy, education, and environmental sustainability. I think if more young people had opportunities to be involved in their communities, we could make a huge difference. I want to be part of something that actually creates change.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel are some of the problems facing the youth of San Jose?

A lot of young people feel like they don't have a voice in decisions that affect them. I want to help bridge the gap between youth and city leadership, making sure our priorities are heard and acted on.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel the priorities of the Youth Commission should be?

Giving young people more ways to get involved in government Pushing for uplifting culture and arts Advocating for better youth mental health resources Strengthening community engagement and education programs

Have you ever attended or watched a meeting of the Commission(s) to which you are applying?

Yes No

Would you be available to attend meetings at the scheduled time?

Yes No

Please describe your experience in serving on a Commission or Board.

I've gained a ton of experience in leadership through my last year as a commissioner. I've gained my footing by learning from the commissioners around me and now know the ins and outs of the commission. I know how to work on a team, advocate for important issues, and bring new ideas to the table, and I will continue building on my experience from last year.

Considering your experience and activities in business, labor, School, professional, social, Commissions, Boards, or other organizations, indicate the experience, training, knowledge and/or skills which qualify you for appointment.

What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?

The Youth Commission is all about making sure young people have a voice in local government. It helps bring attention to the issues we actually care about.

Please list three issues facing the City that you feel the Council should address.

Environmental Sustainability: We need to focus on real solutions to climate change. Youth Engagement & Representation: More young people should have a say in city decisions. Mental Health Resources: There should be better access to support for youth.

How can you contribute to advising City Council on policy and programs related to cultural development in San José?

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Yes No

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Please describe a leadership role you have assumed within the last five years.

How would you handle differences in opinions or positions on issues being heard at a Senior Commission meeting?

What makes you knowledgeable about senior issues in the community?

Question applies to Youth Commission

If applicable, have you ever participated in your local District Specific Youth Advisory Council?

Yes\,

Question applies to Youth Commission

If you answered Yes to the previous question, what are some projects you worked on in your Youth Advisory Council?

In the District 6 Youth Advisory Council which I lead, we have worked on reporting on the VTA bus stops in the district. We are making sure community leaders are aware of the challenges we face with public transportation. We are also working on various projects uplifting arts and culture, such as a community art drive and an art workshop at local schools. We plan to keep expanding these initiatives next year.

Question applies to Youth Commission

If applicable, have you ever participated in the Youth Commission's Special Events such as the Annual Budget Summit?

Yes

Question applies to Youth Commission

If you are not selected for your district's Commission seat, would you be interested in the Citywide Commissioner role?

Yes

Anything else you would like us to know?

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Retirement Board Questions Only

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Boards and Commissions Application

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- Planning Commission*

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State

95121
Postal Code

Are you a resident of San Jose?

Yes No

What district do you live in? To verify, please click here:

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District 7

Home: [Redacted]
Primary Phone

Home: [Redacted]
Alternate Phone

Length of Residency

6 or more years

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Youth Commission: Submitted

Question applies to Youth Commission

Birthdate

█/2011

N/A

Employer

N/A

Job Title

Current Employer Address

N/A

Current Employer of Spouse

N/A

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

N/A

Spouse's Job Title

N/A

If you or your spouse is retired and receiving a pension, please state source of pension.

Interests & Experiences

Educational Background: Describe how your education will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

I am currently a high school student taking courses such as Ethnic Studies and Law and Society, which have helped me better understand community issues, equity, and how policies impact different groups of people. Through these classes, I have developed skills in critical thinking, discussion, and analyzing real-world issues, which would help me contribute thoughtful perspectives to the Youth Commission.

Professional Experience: (employer, position) Describe how your employment history will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

I do not have formal employment experience at this time. However, I have developed relevant skills through tutoring with UPchieve, participating in Speech and Debate, and serving on the District 7 Youth Advisory Council.

Languages Spoken

English, German, a little bit of Vietnamese and Spanish

Relevant Skills or Expertise: (e.g. budgeting, community outreach, legal knowledge). If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I have strong communication and public speaking skills from Speech and Debate, as well as experience in community outreach and service through Key Club and tutoring with UPchieve. Through my involvement in the District 7 Youth Advisory Council, I have developed skills in collaboration, leadership, and understanding local issues. I also have some legal and public policy knowledge from my coursework in Law and Society.

Please state why you want to become a member of this Board or Commission including specific objectives which you would work toward as a member. If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I want to become a member of the Youth Commission because I want to help make sure youth voices are genuinely considered in decisions that affect them. I have seen how important it is for young people to be included in conversations about their community, and I want to help expand those opportunities. As a member, I would focus on improving youth safety and increasing access to resources, especially in education. I would also want to help the commission better connect with students across San José so more youth feel represented and involved.

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Question applies to Youth Commission

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My current responsibilities include my school's Speech and Debate team, which takes about 4-6 hours per week for meetings, preparation, and competitions. I also volunteer as a tutor with UPchieve, where I spend a few hours each week helping students with academic subjects, primarily English language, German language, and Social Studies. In addition, I am a member of Key Club and regularly participate in community service projects. I serve on the District 7 Youth Advisory Council, where I attend meetings and contribute my youth perspectives on local issues. Outside of these activities, I am on my school's swim team, where I practice every day after school.

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Supplemental Questions

Please list your community involvement, including jobs and volunteer work.

N/A

In one paragraph, please explain your community interests.

N/A

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel are some of the problems facing the youth of San Jose?

I believe two of the biggest problems facing youth in San José are safety and educational equity. In terms of safety, while many people feel safe overall, there are still concerns around youth violence, mental health, and unsafe environments in certain neighborhoods and public spaces. The city has even created programs specifically focused on reducing youth violence and supporting at-risk youth, which shows that this is still an ongoing issue. Youth who experience instability, such as housing insecurity or lack of support systems, may also be more vulnerable to unsafe situations. Educational equity is another major issue. Not all students in San José have access to the same resources, opportunities, or support systems. Factors like income inequality and high housing costs can affect a student's ability to succeed in school. For example, housing instability and youth homelessness, often caused by the high cost of living, can disrupt education and limit access to basic resources. These disparities can create gaps in academic outcomes and opportunities for different groups of students.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel the priorities of the Youth Commission should be?

I believe the Youth Commission's priorities should be youth safety, access to resources, and strong youth representation. The commission should support efforts that improve safety, including mental health resources and safe community spaces. It should also work to expand access to educational support and basic resources so all students have equal opportunities to succeed. The commission should make sure youth voices are heard by acting as a bridge between young people and local government.

Have you ever attended or watched a meeting of the Commission(s) to which you are applying?

Yes No

Would you be available to attend meetings at the scheduled time?

Yes No

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N/A

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Should the City of San José have an active role in arts and cultural development? If so, in what ways and why?

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Question applies to Youth Commission

If applicable, have you ever participated in your local District Specific Youth Advisory Council?

Yes\,

Question applies to Youth Commission

If you answered Yes to the previous question, what are some projects you worked on in your Youth Advisory Council?

In the District 7 Youth Advisory Council, I worked on projects such as the Creative Futures Fair and the Budget Summit. The Creative Futures Fair provided a space for youth and local businesses to sell their products and connect with the community. The Budget Summit allowed youth to learn about and discuss how funding decisions impact the city. Through these projects, I participated in planning, outreach, and discussions to help engage other students.

Question applies to Youth Commission

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Yes

Question applies to Youth Commission

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95148
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Are you a resident of San Jose?

Yes No

What district do you live in? To verify, please click here:
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District 8

Mobile: [Redacted]
Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

Length of Residency

6 or more years

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Youth Commission: Submitted

Question applies to Youth Commission

Birthdate

██████/2009

N/A (Student)

Employer

Student

Job Title

Current Employer Address

N/A

Current Employer of Spouse

N/A

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

N/A

Spouse's Job Title

N/A

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Interests & Experiences

Educational Background: Describe how your education will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

My education has equipped me with the analytical and communication skills necessary to succeed and make meaningful contributions to the Youth Commission. As a current high school student engaged in a rigorous course load, including AP-level classes, I've learnt how to manage my time effectively to have the greatest output possible. Through engaging with subjects like English and History at a high level, I've learnt how to communicate my ideas in a clear, concise manner while having persuasive, evidence-backed arguments. These skills are imperative when reviewing policies that are to be approved by the Commission, representing youth voices in our community, and engaging with city officials. Additionally, my involvement with student journalism on campus has provided me with a diverse perspective, the ability to ask meaningful questions, and the opportunity to present issues that affect my community in a compelling manner.

Professional Experience: (employer, position) Describe how your employment history will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

While I do not have formal employment experience, I have developed relevant and professional skills through leadership roles in other organizations. (GENup, Director of Technology): Most notably, I serve as the Director of Technology, which is a stipend-avaiable position, at GENup, a 501-3(c) nonprofit organization dedicated to amplifying youth voices in education policy across the state of California. Through this position, I have learnt the importance of being dependable, communicative, and a leader in a professional environment. I hope to use these skills as a Youth Commissioner, communicate effectively to youth councils and city officials, work consistently, showcasing my reliability through results, and lead new ideas and initiatives to the Commission.

Languages Spoken

English, Kannada, Spanish (intermediate proficiency)

Relevant Skills or Expertise: (e.g. budgeting, community outreach, legal knowledge). If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

City Budget - Working with District 8 YCC to produce a budget document and, in that process, learning as much as I can about the budget. Have attended events like District 8's Budget Breakfast, learning how the budget process works from city officials. Through events like the Youth Commission's Budget Summit, I have also learnt from Councilmembers the harsh reality about how the budget process works behind the scenes. Community Outreach - Through planning numerous events with the YACs and YCC, I have learnt the importance of community outreach. I have reached out to many young professionals and creatives for District 7's Creative Futures Fair, and personally got over 40 musicians and 20 vendors to come to the event. I have also facilitated collaborations with professional organizations in the area. For example, on behalf of the Newspaper Club at Evergreen Valley High School, I reached out to the editor of San José Spotlight to write an article with us regarding the firing of librarians in our school district. Community outreach is one of the best ways to gather attention for an issue you care about or to come together as a community to support a common goal. I believe through these experiences, and many more, I have learnt how to outreach effectively and efficiently. Legal Knowledge - From reviewing over 15+ policy memorandums/resolutions from YCC and D7 YAC, I have learnt how to not only write, but teach how to write such documents. I believe this knowledge will help me greatly on the Commission and serve as a venue for me to help support others and myself to enact real and tangible change in our communities.

Please state why you want to become a member of this Board or Commission including specific objectives which you would work toward as a member. If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I want to become a member of the Youth Commission because the Commission would provide me the resources necessary to push forward real change I want to see in our communities. One of my main objectives, and as supported by District 8 residents, is to produce more events in District 8 that specifically involved young people and/or seniors. With the budget closing a lot of youth programming, community centers, and retirement programs, it is even more important to prioritize events for these groups. I hope to fill in the gap caused by our \$56 million deficit, one event at a time. I also want to close the gap with the D8 YCC and the Youth Commission. I want to get our application up on their website and integrate our event planning pipeline with the resources provided by the Commission. I have witnessed firsthand how helpful the Commission can be while planning events, from my time on D7 YAC, and that would also serve as one of my main goals to support the future generations of D8 changemakers. Finally, I hope to continue and draft a policy with the other Youth Commissioners from the different Districts. As a Commissioner, you receive a rare outlook and in depth perspective on the priorities of all the different districts in our beautiful city. Working together with these districts and finding common interests will provide the necessary ignition for collaborations. These collaborations, along with the support and advice of the Commission, are one of the main reasons I want to apply to the Youth Commission in particular.

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Yes No

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Question applies to Youth Commission

• Please state your current responsibilities in other organizations and groups, as well as the time commitment associated with those responsibilities (including family responsibilities).

First and foremost, I am currently Co-Chair for the District 8 Youth Council Committee. This is my biggest time commitment, taking around 8 hours a week of my time. My responsibilities include helping plan our events, reviewing/editing resolutions, scheduling and attending meetings, meeting with various organizations requesting to collaborate, and volunteering on behalf of the Committee. Next, I am President of the Newspaper Club at Evergreen Valley High School, where I help members write articles, conduct interviews with students and school officials, and promote a love for journalism on campus. Overall, with all these responsibilities, Newspaper Club takes up 2 hours of my time per week. Next, I am Director of Technology for an organization called GENup. At GENup, I review and advise on artificial intelligence and technology policies, help maintain and edit our website, and collaborate with local GENup chapters to plan events. In all, GENup takes up 2 hours of my time per week. Finally, I tutor for elementary students at Tom Masumoto, and create personalized curriculum for in-person meetings. I teach 3rd graders basic math, coding, and soft skills (public speaker, teamwork, leadership, etc.) to help them overcome the educational gap created by Covid. This takes up 2 hours of my time per week as well.

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Reference 2 Name

Megan Luong

Reference 2 Address

Reference 2 Email address

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Reference 2 Phone

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Supplemental Questions

Please list your community involvement, including jobs and volunteer work.

I currently volunteer with Second Harvest in the food drives they host in District 8! I also love to volunteer in my community to help as much as I can, connect with other citizens of San José, and learn more about what issues/problems I can fix through the YCC. I have accumulated over 100+ hours each year volunteering with the YCC, and hope to volunteer even more in the coming years.

In one paragraph, please explain your community interests.

My community interests lie in bringing together the people of District 8 and San José to support youth and create a sense of support and belonging within one another. To build such connections, we need to bring together diverse groups, with students, families, and local leaders, where each party feels heard and connected to one another. I hope to engage and encourage more youth in our community to be more civically engaged by encouraging teens to participate and vote in forms that the Youth Commission puts out, joining your local youth council(s), and making student voices heard in city decisions. I want to make sure these events and programs reach the youth, seniors, and underrepresented communities and neighborhoods in District 8. I also want to turn community concerns into actionable policy ideas, while highlighting the importance of our culture, diversity, and shared experiences.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel are some of the problems facing the youth of San Jose?

I believe the main problems that the youth of San José are facing are mental health-related issues, lack of career/networking opportunities, and lack of opportunities to be civically engaged. These are issues that I have witnessed first-hand, but also through the Youth Commission Priorities Survey that I helped organized a canvassing event for in District 8. Poor mental health in youth is skyrocketing in an increasingly digital age, with social media and cyberbullying being a real concern for youth all over the world. In an increasingly competitive college landscape, and students wanting to get more involved in career-related activities, be it for experience or greater financial independence, showcased a real concern for the lack of networking opportunities, as seen in the Priorities Survey. It is also a problem that I have witnessed firsthand, with many students wanting to get more involved with their future careers but lacking the resources to do so. Finally, as reported by the Priorities Survey, around 50% of youth don't know how they are being represented in government. This is a real concern for me because it solidifies the belief that they don't have a say in government, but that is simply not true. Programs like the YACs, YCC, and Youth Commission should be advertised more to young people to showcase how their own ideas can be converted into tangible change, despite their age.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel the priorities of the Youth Commission should be?

The priorities of the Youth Commission should be to plan more events, draft policies, and to collaborate/support local community organizations and programs in an effort to uplift the youth of our city. I think that as the Youth Commission advances into the next year, planning more events related to issues that we see, like the ones I mentioned in the previous response, should be prioritized.

Have you ever attended or watched a meeting of the Commission(s) to which you are applying?

Yes No

Would you be available to attend meetings at the scheduled time?

Yes No

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Over the last twelve months I have actively participated in the San José art activities with the most notable being the local cultural programming through events hosted by Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana. I was drawn to these events because of their strong focus on community storytelling and social impact.

Describe the ways in which you believe the arts bring value to the general community, and what role should the City of an Jose have in arts and cultural development.

Should the City of San José have an active role in arts and cultural development? If so, in what ways and why?

How can you contribute to advising City Council on policy and programs related to cultural development in San José?

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Please explain your prior experience with historic preservation, with San José's public planning processes, and in working with City or other public agency staff.

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Yes No

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Yes\.

Question applies to Youth Commission

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In the Youth Council Committee, I am currently working on or have worked on many projects in District 8, including: Canvassing in District 8 for the Youth Commission Priorities Survey - Canvassed different areas of District 8 and eventually received the most surveyed individuals out of all the Districts in San José. McKinney-Vento Act - Right now, I'm also leading a project to assist the 30+ homeless students at Evergreen Valley High School to help get the resources they are entitled to under the Mckinney-Vento Act. I helped coordinate resources such as washers and dryers in the drama room, our food pantry, and morning and night shower in the locker rooms to be available to students who need it via our Minga homeroom appointment system. I helped reach out to the PCIS to confirm at other District 8 schools that these resources were being made available to their students. Resolutions - Worked with each of our 3 subcommittees (Health, Housing and Infrastructure, and Education) to draft, edit, and refine resolutions about specific issues that YCC cares about. We have presented and will continue to present our ideas to Councilmember Domingo Candelas and provide an enriching and educational experience for all of YCC. Have also done outreach to help facilitate the resolution process: helped homeless individuals at Fowler Creek, reached out to local homeless shelters, educational professionals, housing experts, etc. to educate ourselves on the issues that residents of San José face daily. Youth Power Summit - Upcoming event aimed to uplift youth in San José by providing networking opportunities and possible collaborations with other youth nonprofits in the area. Outreaching to 20+ youth organizations to come together and support one another by discussing important issues in our community and brainstorming ways that we could enact tangible change towards these issues.

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Yes

Question applies to Youth Commission

If you are not selected for your district's Commission seat, would you be interested in the Citywide Commissioner role?

Yes

Anything else you would like us to know?

I would like to mention that I believe that I am the best candidate for the role due to my previous experience with the Youth Commission in the District 7 Youth Advisory Council. I worked with amazing past commissioners who have taught me how to properly utilize the Youth Commission's resources to their full potential, and I plan to use that knowledge to make sure that I make real progress and get work done while serving as a Youth Commissioner. Additionally, my time serving in different districts (7, 8, and Citywide) has given me great insight to how to work with Commission resources throughout the city, no matter the district. This additional knowledge would also make me, in my opinion, an amazing candidate for Citywide as well. Thank you for the opportunity to apply, and I hope to hear from you soon.

(Optional) Please upload a resume.

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Alternate Phone

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Question applies to Youth Commission

Birthdate

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N/A

Job Title

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N/A

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

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Spouse's Job Title

N/A

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Interests & Experiences

Educational Background: Describe how your education will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

As a sophomore attending Valley Christian High School, I resonate with the many challenges San Jose youth face today. Balancing a heavy course load while participating in STEM programs, debate, and varsity badminton has uniquely positioned me to authentically represent the perspectives of many of my fellow youth.

Yichi (joshua) Zhang

Professional Experience: (employer, position) Describe how your employment history will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

N/A

Languages Spoken

English, Mandarin Chinese, Spanish

Relevant Skills or Expertise: (e.g. budgeting, community outreach, legal knowledge). If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

Public Speaking: VCHS Debate Team Junior Leader & Varsity Public Forum Competitor
Financial Management: Raised and managed \$2k+ as Finance Director of Envehope, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit aiding chronically ill children
Leadership: Officer in VCHS Debate & Math team; led a 10-person intern team at a SalesPatriot (YC W25) AI internship last summer
Community Outreach: Held awareness campaigns for over 1,000 total community members about gun violence
Research/Data Analysis: AP Statistics & AI Research on early health diagnostics using ML models.

Please state why you want to become a member of this Board or Commission including specific objectives which you would work toward as a member. If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I believe that the youth of our city deserve an impactful voice in the decisions that directly impact them. Growing up in San Jose D9, I've experienced firsthand the many challenges that youth face. After interviewing hundreds of community members for SafeLock, a project where I designed a biometric gun lock aimed at preventing unauthorized access to firearms, I have seen how deeply issues such as violence and safety impact families across the city. These experiences have ignited in me a passion to give back to the community that helped raise me by turning their concerns into real solutions. As commissioner, I would aim to work toward solving issues like violence, mental health concerns, and educational equity in order to provide everyone in our city with an equal chance to thrive.

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Yes No

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Question applies to Youth Commission

• **Please state your current responsibilities in other organizations and groups, as well as the time commitment associated with those responsibilities (including family responsibilities).**

VCHS Debate Team: 3 Hours/Week VCHS Math Team: 3 Hours/Week SafeLock: 4 Hours/Week
XPRIZE Wildfire Quest: 5 Hours/Week

Reference 1 Name

Jingru (Ruby) Yu

Reference 1 Address

Reference 1 Email address

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Reference 1 Phone

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Reference 2 Name

Yichi (joshua) Zhang

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Reference 2 Phone

Supplemental Questions

Please list your community involvement, including jobs and volunteer work.

As a mentor officer for my school's math team, I lead 10+ mentors to provide weekly lessons for 100+ Junior Highers interested in competition math. Outside of school, I served as the finance director for Envehope, raising and managing \$2k+ for a 501(c)(3) nonprofit supporting children with chronic illnesses. These experiences have further solidified my passion for supporting and working with youth. Furthermore, I'm an active member of the D9 YAC, where I help plan community events like tree planting and work on providing immigrants with the resources they need to thrive in their new community.

In one paragraph, please explain your community interests.

I believe that safety is the most important aspect of our community, and nothing matters without it. Youth and their families cannot thrive if they are scared just to walk around and be in public spaces. I was deeply affected by the Valley Fair shooting, as it caused my family and I, just like many other residents of San Jose, to be paranoid about doing something as simple as shopping. For me, this event just further amplified the voices of those I interviewed in our community for SafeLock. Conversation after conversation, I heard hundreds of students, parents, and community members express how they felt unsafe in public. Safety is the cornerstone upon which education and opportunity are built, and that is why I profoundly feel a sense of urgency to make our city safer.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel are some of the problems facing the youth of San Jose?

Due to San Jose being located in the heart of Silicon Valley, youth face extremely high expectations. Students are burdened with the constant pressure of succeeding in school while balancing extracurriculars and relationships with family and friends. However, many youth are not being adequately equipped to handle these challenges. San Jose students face mental health crises or homelessness, with some even taking on both problems at the same time. How can students excel in their education while they face depression or do not even have a safe place to sleep at night? I believe that youth are being tangibly harmed by these issues, and they must receive the assistance that they need. Youth are the future of San Jose. They are the next generation of leaders and innovators who will define the city. Education is the foundation for this future, which is why students must receive the stability and support that they need to thrive.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel the priorities of the Youth Commission should be?

The Youth Commission should be focused on providing every San Jose student an equal chance of success. Educational equity solutions would provide homeless and low-income youth a chance to succeed in the midst of the pressures of the Bay Area. Research shows that youth who are disconnected from education are significantly more likely to experience violence and incarceration, highlighting the importance of educational equity and showing how it prevents violence while providing youth the opportunity to build a future for themselves. For instance, the Youth Commission could work with SJPL to revive programs like Tutoring Matters or create similar free and accessible initiatives that provide at-risk youth with the educational and workforce-related skills they need to succeed.

Have you ever attended or watched a meeting of the Commission(s) to which you are applying?

Yes No

Would you be available to attend meetings at the scheduled time?

Yes No

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Yes\,

Question applies to Youth Commission

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I have worked on planning hands-on community events such as tree planting initiatives and culture fests that unite the community together. I've also helped immigrants navigate life in their new home and provided resources for them to flourish in their new community. Furthermore, I participated in the Citywide Youth Budget Summit, where I researched and delivered a winning presentation proposing increased funding to address violence in San Jose.

Question applies to Youth Commission

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Yes

Question applies to Youth Commission

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Yes

Anything else you would like us to know?

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Verification

Yichi (joshua) Zhang

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District 10

Mobile: _____
 Primary Phone Alternate Phone

Length of Residency

6 or more years

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Youth Commission: Submitted

Question applies to Youth Commission

Birthdate

██████████ 2008

N/A

Employer

N/A

Job Title

Current Employer Address

N/A

Current Employer of Spouse

N/A

Address of Current Employer of Spouse

N/A

Spouse's Job Title

N/A

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Interests & Experiences

Educational Background: Describe how your education will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

I am currently in high school, and learned the basics of governing during my AP US History class. I also will take AP US Government this upcoming fall, so that will help me to understand how government works better. I also attended the Northwestern IN FOCUS seminars on a focus in ethics and philosophy. Using these skills I am able to make decisions that are foundationally ethical.

Jinyoung Park

Professional Experience: (employer, position) Describe how your employment history will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

I have not been officially employed other than the San Jose Youth Commission.

Languages Spoken

Relevant Skills or Expertise: (e.g. budgeting, community outreach, legal knowledge). If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

My relevant skill would be leadership which is highlighted in my positions at school, club, sports team, and the Youth Commission.

Please state why you want to become a member of this Board or Commission including specific objectives which you would work toward as a member. If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I want to become a member of this Commission to get the youth more involved in civic engagement and also hear their needs to the City Council.

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Question applies to Youth Commission

• Please state your current responsibilities in other organizations and groups, as well as the time commitment associated with those responsibilities (including family responsibilities).

1. I currently serve as the District 10 Youth Commissioner. It takes anywhere around 2-6 hours a week depending on the time. 2. I also serve in a club called Equity Club as the head and that takes around 2 hours a week. 3. I currently play baseball which takes 15-17 hours a week.

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Emily Terada

Reference 1 Address

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Reference 1 Phone

[REDACTED]

Reference 2 Name

Megan Maloy

Reference 2 Address

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Supplemental Questions

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I currently serve as the San Jose District 10 Youth Commissioner. I often work with the District 10 office and Councilmember Casey in community meetings. We hosted the first Youth Connect event addressing the lack of civic engagement among youth. I am currently the Junior Class President of Pioneer High School. I help to organize spirit events all year and school activities. I also manage our class funds I served as the Vice President for the District 10 Youth Leadership Coalition where I led initiatives through book drives, career workshops, and park cleanups I served as the Vice President of Citywide Youth Advisory Council where I led meetings and communicated with other YACs to get events rolling. I am the co-founder and President of Equity Club which is a club in my high school. We go out to volunteer at food banks, homeless shelters and encampments (2 hours). I am a math tutor for a fourth grader at a local elementary school (1 hour). Although it is a humble audience, I do my best to teach the young student not just about math but about my experiences, tips and tricks on what to do in middle and high school. Eventually, I hope to expand my business to help other kids as well. I am a photographer who takes pictures of friends playing sports (4 hours). I run an Instagram account that exhibits all of my works. Friends and classmates often ask me to take pictures of them, but I don't want to stop there. Eventually, I hope to create a documentary on a topic that I like to research which is homelessness. As a club project, I also hosted a pillow drive where it raised 40 pillows.

In one paragraph, please explain your community interests.

A goal that I strive to achieve is to end homelessness or at least reduce it. Since my immigration here to the United States in 2016, the homeless population has been on the rise. Even outside the numbers, I can experience the increase in population when I go to my local Safeway. Through my school project, I was able to go more in depth into the topic and see through the surface level problems. The underlying reasons of poverty, drug addiction, and rising costs of housing startled my previously naive self. Soon, I realized that volunteer work and advocacy of homelessness, although impactful, could only go so far. My ultimate tool is political change, and I believe that it starts here with the Youth Commission.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel are some of the problems facing the youth of San Jose?

Although it is hard to admit, and I have been found guilty on multiple occasions, the biggest problem facing the youth of San Jose is phones. I believe that the phones itself aren't the problem, but the effects that come with it. I have noticed a huge loss of attention span in my age group as well as the younger generation. This loss of attention span is a huge problem considering that the youth won't be able to solve problems on their own. Another side effect is the lack of critical thinking. Students are less prone to think for themselves and more likely to subscribe to ideas without their own input. This makes the perfect victim for corrupt politicians as well as business owners.

What do you feel the priorities of the Youth Commission should be?

The number one priority of the Youth Commission should be civic engagement. The lack of interest and involvement of youth in the public stage makes a ripple effect to the higher city level. When communication between the public and the city diminishes, unnecessary events are bound to happen. The depletion of resources or even violent resolve seems inevitable. Moreover, the youth is the future of this country and whether they stay in San Jose or not, it is important to prioritize civic engagement, so that wherever the youth of San Jose goes, they can make meaningful impact on this nation. Another priority would be violence and safety. Being on the Youth Commission, the budget summit has said a lot about the primary concern of violence and safety among youth. It is not necessarily that violence and safety is increasing among San Jose because the numbers show otherwise, but the youth perception of it. The youth of San Jose may perceive violence and safety differently than what the data highlights.

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Yes\,

Question applies to Youth Commission

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I have worked on many projects in the District 10 Youth Leadership Coalition including management of outreach, website building (for the YAC), park cleanup initiatives (adopted a park), political science seminar (ongoing), and the construction of little free libraries (in progress). My favorite project is the one I am currently working on which is the construction of little free libraries. We are in the phase of collecting books which I am partnering with the principal of Guadalupe Elementary School to meet our goal.

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Yes No

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Birthdate

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Interests & Experiences

Educational Background: Describe how your education will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

Ruskin Elementary School: 1st - 4th Grade Basis Independent Silicon Valley: 5th - present My educational journey spans both public and private schooling within San Jose, giving me a well-rounded perspective on the diverse experiences of young people across the city. I attended Ruskin Elementary School, a public school in District 4, from 1st through 4th grade. This experience grounded me in the realities of public education and the needs of families in our district. My connection to Ruskin remains personal: my younger brother currently attends as a 3rd grader, so I stay closely connected to what students and families in District 4 are experiencing today. Since 5th grade, I have attended Basis Independent Silicon Valley, a rigorous private school. This environment has strengthened my critical thinking and communication skills, all of which will help me analyze policy issues, engage in productive discussions, and advocate effectively on the Youth Commission. Having experienced both public and private education in San Jose gives me insight into two very different educational environments. For the District 4 commission, this background helps me understand and represent the students and families in my own neighborhood. For the citywide commissioner role, my broader perspective across different school settings prepares me to think about the varied needs of youth across all of San Jose, not just those who share my current school experience.

Professional Experience: (employer, position) Describe how your employment history will assist you on this commission. If applying for more than one commission, include the information for all selected.

Teens Reach, Member: Winter 2022 - Present D4YAC, Secretary: Fall 2023 - Summer 2024
D4YAC, Environmental Committee Co-Lead: Fall 2024 - Summer 2025 D4YAC, Outreach
Lead: Fall 2025 - Present

Languages Spoken

English, Mandarin

Relevant Skills or Expertise: (e.g. budgeting, community outreach, legal knowledge). If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

I have hands-on budgeting experience across multiple contexts. As co-director of activities for my school's ASB, I build the shopping list for every school event, balancing needs against available funds. I also run a K-pop dance club at my school, where I manage purchases like custom hoodies and food under a limited budget. At D4YAC, I have participated in event budgeting, and for our large-scale annual event AIM, I am specifically responsible for sourcing and securing catering, which requires price comparison, vendor outreach, and staying within set limits. Outreach is also one of my strongest skills. As D4YAC's current Outreach Lead, I create and distribute promotional content including reels to engage District 4 youth. Through ASB, I regularly reach out to my school's student body to advertise events and drive participation, so I understand how to tailor messaging to a youth audience and how to actually get people to show up. Over the past three years at D4YAC, I have helped author three policies, giving me direct experience with the research, drafting, and revision process involved in youth-led policy work. While none have passed, the experience taught me how to build an argument, navigate feedback, and persist through the legislative process. This background is directly applicable to the policy-facing responsibilities of both the District 4 and citywide commissioner roles.

Please state why you want to become a member of this Board or Commission including specific objectives which you would work toward as a member. If applying to more than one commission, include information for all selected.

My primary goal in applying is to serve as the Citywide Commissioner. Having worked closely with the past three District 4 Commissioners through my years at D4YAC, I have seen firsthand what the role looks like and feel genuinely ready to step into it. As commissioner, I would have visibility into the work of every committee across the Youth Commission, something I am eager for, since my experience has so far been focused within D4YAC's Environmental Committee. My biggest specific objective would be improving accountability and productivity across committees. I would work toward having each committee set a concrete seasonal goal: for example, two events and one policy proposal, with the committee lead responsible for breaking that goal into deadlines for each component. This structure would help prevent the common issue of events getting unintentionally pushed back, since dates and milestones would be established early in the season.

For special seats such as Early education seats or HCDC mobile home/low income seats, please describe how you qualify for those special seats. Please visit https://library.municode.com/ca/san_jose/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodetd=TIT2AD_CH2.08BOBU to see if the board for which you are applying has special seats.

N/A

Do you own property in the City of San José?

Yes No

If yes, please list the addresses here.

Do you rent property in the City of San José?

Yes No

If yes, is it a month-to-month lease?

Yes No

State and local law require that you abstain from participation in decisions that may affect your financial interests, including sources of income, interest in real property, personal finances or investments. In addition, if appointed, you may be required to fill out a disclosure statement which identifies certain financial interest beginning with the immediate twelve-month period prior to your appointment. Please review the scope of your board/commission in Municipal Code Chapter 2.08. Based on your best judgment, does this Board or Commission make decisions that may affect sources of income, interests in real property, personal finances or investments of you or your spouse?

Yes No

If yes, please explain. Please identify any organizations, associations, corporations, or entities by which you are employed or associated that might be affected by decisions of this Board or Commission, and the positions you hold in these entities. If applying for multiple commissions, please include information for all selected.

Question applies to Youth Commission

• Please state your current responsibilities in other organizations and groups, as well as the time commitment associated with those responsibilities (including family responsibilities).

Kpop Dance Club: 1 hr/week ASB: 1hr/week Science Olympiad: 2hrs/week D4YAC: 1hr/week

Reference 1 Name

Akshadha Meenakshi

Reference 1 Address

Reference 1 Email address

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Reference 1 Phone

Reference 2 Name

Reference 2 Address

Reference 2 Email address

Reference 2 Phone

Supplemental Questions

Please list your community involvement, including jobs and volunteer work.

Jobs: none Volunteer Work: - TeensReach - D4YAC

In one paragraph, please explain your community interests.

My community interests include educating the youth on worldwide issues that aren't taught at school. There's so many problems going on, even locally, that many teens aren't aware of (global warming, increasing poverty rates, lack of world peace, etc.). I feel like the reason there aren't as many teen activists as there could be is because most don't have the opportunity to learn about many of these issues, especially because the places where they most heavily occur in are in places far away from us. This is partially why I joined D4's YAC; it's a great opportunity to create your own events that spread awareness regarding ongoing issues.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel are some of the problems facing the youth of San Jose?

A problem I see a lot right now facing the youth of San Jose is a lack of attention to health, whether it's physical or mental. This is probably because most people don't go to the doctor's that often, and parents often don't teach kids how to pay attention to health. For example, a healthy diet and sleep schedule are important to maintain throughout teen years to have a healthy and longer life as an adult, but most teens don't take it seriously enough, and many parents are too busy to care. Additionally, teens especially are facing many mental health issues, like depression, anxiety, etc., that could be induced by a variety of issues like schoolwork or their social lives. Although schools try to address these issues, most aren't effective, which poses as another problem facing the youth.

Question applies to Youth Commission

What do you feel the priorities of the Youth Commission should be?

I feel like the priorities should be managing the YACs well along with establishing solid connections with members of the local government. For managing YACs well, I really like how my YAC is currently organized, as everyone is able to create events and policies due to our commissioner's responsibility over us. I'm not sure how other YACs work, but I believe all YACs should be prioritized to maintain youth activism. Establishing solid connections with members of the local government is really important because it lets the youth directly make their suggestions to policymakers, which is essential if the government wants to understand local issues better.

Have you ever attended or watched a meeting of the Commission(s) to which you are applying?

Yes No

Would you be available to attend meetings at the scheduled time?

Yes No

Please describe your experience in serving on a Commission or Board.

At school, I'm a co-director of the Activities committee in ASB, which is basically our school's Board, where I essentially manage the activity proposals (budget, description, detailed plan) and activity setups, including dances, pep rallies, carnivals, etc.; this experience really helped me learn how to effectively communicate between my committee members and our club advisor. This is definitely applicable in the Youth Commission, as the youth commissioner is responsible for the communication between their district's YAC and other district commissioners.

Considering your experience and activities in business, labor, School, professional, social, Commissions, Boards, or other organizations, indicate the experience, training, knowledge and/or skills which qualify you for appointment.

I've also founded a Kpop Dance Club with two of my friends at school, where we teach and prepare 30 club members (a pretty difficult task, considering many are middle schoolers) for performances at school pep rallies and external performances. This activity has truly taught me how to manage large groups of people, which I feel is essential in leading a YAC, as proper management is crucial for an efficient YAC. In general, these leadership positions have also given me indirect training, such as refining my sense of responsibility as a leader and allowing me to interact with and understand all sorts of people. Additionally, these experiences have given me the confidence that I'm responsible enough to handle large groups, which I believe is necessary if I want to perform well as a Youth Commissioner.

What is your understanding of the purpose of the Commission?

In my opinion, the purpose of Youth Commission is to represent, support, and advocate for youth activism. As a member of the Commission, the Commissioner would be representative of all the youth in San Jose, which is the first purpose, "to represent". As a leader of their district's YAC, they would also be responsible for advertising for and recruiting new youth leaders, which is the purpose of "advocating" for youth activism. They would also be responsible for their YAC's works, helping them write up and pass proposals, which is the "support" function.

Please list three issues facing the City that you feel the Council should address.

1. Transportation: Currently, the transportation in San Jose is often unreliable. Especially recently, VTA workers have been going on strike, which halted bus services throughout San Jose. My little brother, who goes to Ruskin Elementary School, had his field trip canceled because the buses were unavailable on the day they were supposed to go, which was definitely disappointing to a lot of his classmates. Additionally, the city could consider giving discounted bus rates to students to promote the city's transportation, as many students use public transit to get around. 2. Safety: I think this is a huge issue that's been going on, and it's spreading. There's this trailer around my neighborhood, inhabited by a homeless man who smokes strong drugs overnight, and many of my neighbors have complained multiple times about his trailer being parked outside their house, as they can smell marijuana in the middle of the night. After reporting it to local police, the trailer moves to a different road, but essentially keeps cycling across the roads every time he is evicted. Additionally, this past year, I've personally heard of so many stories of people's houses or cars being broken into: one of my friends' house, one of another friends' neighbors' house, my own neighbor's car, and the car of a family friend when they came to visit my family. These cases all occurred this past year in District 4, which is hard to grasp. I personally don't know how this issue can be fixed, but I definitely feel like the Council should address it. 3. Affordable Housing: When I was a student at Ruskin Elementary, there were 4 classes in each grade, each with around 25 children. Now, there are around 2 classes in each grade, each with around 25 children. Recently, multiple public schools have been closing, which is a reflection of how the population in San Jose is decreasing. A major cause of this is because of how expensive it is to live in San Jose. Houses nowadays are easily over a million dollars, an amount of money that someone might not even earn in a lifetime. None of the young adults in their 20s or 30s are buying houses in San Jose, the vast majority of houses are owned by old people who are about to retire. My cousins, both in their twenties, are earning a very generous income, but are still extremely hesitant and fearful of investing in a house, as the price is beyond safe. High house prices are a major push factor, especially among young adults, who represent the city's future. Thus, I think this problem should be investigated thoroughly to sustain the prosperity of San Jose.

Describe recent San José arts activities you have participated in during the last twelve months (up to five activities) and what drew you to attend?

Over the past year, two activities stand out. The first was Christmas in the Park, where I both performed with my K-pop dance club and spent time exploring the event itself. It was meaningful to experience it from both sides: as a performer putting something out for the community, and as an attendee taking in everything else the event had to offer. The second was attending library events, including book sales, at my local San Jose library. These smaller, quieter events have their own kind of energy; they draw people who genuinely love learning and culture, and I appreciate that the library creates that space for free.

Describe the ways in which you believe the arts bring value to the general community, and what role should the City of an Jose have in arts and cultural development.

Arts create spaces where people feel comfortable expressing themselves and connecting with others, something that became especially clear after the pandemic left so many communities feeling disconnected. Whether it's a big public event like Christmas in the Park or a small library book sale, arts give people a reason to show up and be around each other. I believe the City of San José's role should be to support and amplify community-led arts rather than dictate or over-organize them. The best arts experiences come from communities expressing themselves authentically, and the city can best serve that by providing funding, space, and visibility.

Should the City of San José have an active role in arts and cultural development? If so, in what ways and why?

Yes, but in a supporting role rather than a leading one. San José is one of the most culturally diverse cities in the country, and that diversity is best reflected through community-driven arts, not top-down programming. The city should invest in preserving and elevating the cultural traditions of San José's many communities, ensuring that different groups have the resources and platforms to share their heritage publicly. When communities lead and the city supports, the result feels genuine rather than performative.

How can you contribute to advising City Council on policy and programs related to cultural development in San José?

My background gives me a grounded, youth perspective on what arts engagement actually looks like. I have participated in community events both as an organizer and as an attendee, and through D4YAC I have experience researching and drafting policy proposals. I would bring that same approach here: listening to what different communities in San José value, identifying gaps in how the city currently supports cultural traditions, and translating that into concrete, actionable recommendations for City Council. I also think youth voices are underrepresented in arts policy conversations, and I would make it a priority to bring those perspectives to the table.

What is the purpose of historic preservation in San José and what is the role of the Historic Landmarks Commission in achieving that purpose?

The purpose of historic preservation in San Jose is to maintain the culture and character of San Jose while ensuring the history isn't lost or forgotten. The San Jose Historic Landmarks Commission is completely in charge of storing, protecting, and promoting San Jose's history. The Historic Landmarks Commission stores San Jose's history through creating sites of historic preservation and determining what in the city counts as historical. They protect San Jose's history by making sure their preservations are considered in the face of new policies (e.g. when landscape is being reformed). Finally, they promote San Jose's history by educating San Jose residents on history and decorating San Jose in a way that reflects our historical culture.

Please explain your prior experience with historic preservation, with San José's public planning processes, and in working with City or other public agency staff.

In all honesty, I don't really have much experience with actively promoting historic preservation other than visiting historical sites, like the Winchester mystery house, San Jose Museum of Art, Japantown, etc. As a D4YAC member, I've had experience writing up policy proposals and trying my best to get them into the city's agenda. As the co-lead of the Environment Committee, I definitely communicate a lot with my Youth Commissioner to ask for feedback and suggestions.

Do you have a background in early care and education issues?

Yes No

What involvement have you had in library and/or early education issues?

My involvement with libraries has been both personal and hands-on. Through Teens Reach, I have participated in library programming aimed at engaging youth in the community. I have also volunteered directly at the library through shelving and served as a Summer Learning Ambassador, helping encourage peers and younger students to stay engaged with reading over the summer. On the early education side, my younger brother currently attends Ruskin Elementary in District 4, and I have been actively involved in his learning and development at home. I also have experience tutoring and mentoring younger kids, which has given me a close-up view of what early learners need to thrive.

Would you be willing to attend local special events/meetings as a representative of the Library and Early Education Commission?

Absolutely. Attending community events and meetings is something I already do regularly through D4YAC and Teens Reach, so showing up as a representative of a commission is something I am both comfortable with and genuinely enjoy. Being present in the community is how you actually understand what people need.

Please describe your experience in working with governmental agencies.

My primary experience working within a governmental structure has been through the District 4 Youth Advisory Commission, where I have served in multiple roles over several years, including Secretary, Environmental Committee Co-Lead, and currently Outreach Lead. In these roles I have drafted policy proposals, coordinated with city staff, and worked alongside three consecutive District 4 Commissioners. This has given me a practical understanding of how local government operates, how youth input feeds into city processes, and how to work within institutional structures to get things done.

As a Parks and Recreation Commissioner, how would you handle a situation where you have a volatile Community group which is opposed to a staff proposal?

N/A

Can you provide examples of major public policy issues that you have been involved in and what your role was in the issue?

Over the past three years at D4YAC, I have written three policy proposals focused on environmental issues relevant to District 4 youth. These included adding e-waste collection bins to San José libraries, expanding tree planting in the district, and creating student discounts for green transportation options. While none have passed, each experience deepened my understanding of how to research an issue, build a case, and navigate feedback from peers and city advisors. These proposals also reflect issues I genuinely care about: making sustainability more accessible and practical for everyday residents, not just something aspirational. Combined with my hands-on event work through AIM and D4YAC, these experiences have shown me what it takes to move an idea from concept to a real policy proposal within a governmental framework.

What is a major issue facing San José's older adults and what do you see as the Commission's role in this issue?

Social isolation is one of the most significant issues facing older adults in San José, and it is something I have observed through my own grandparents and older relatives. As people age, their social circles often shrink, and without accessible community programming, that isolation can deepen quickly. This is also connected to the physical environment: older adults are more likely to spend time in parks, walking paths, and outdoor community spaces, making the quality of those spaces directly relevant to their wellbeing. Through my policy work at D4YAC, I proposed expanding tree planting in District 4 partly because greener, more inviting outdoor spaces give people, including seniors, more reason and opportunity to get outside and connect with their neighbors. I see the Commission's role as pushing for both the programming and the physical infrastructure that make it easier for older adults to stay active and engaged in their community, rather than treating isolation as inevitable.

Please describe a leadership role you have assumed within the last five years.

As Outreach Lead for D4YAC, I am responsible for the commission's external communications: creating content, running social media, and making sure District 4 youth actually know about and engage with our work. Before that, as Environmental Committee Co-Lead, I helped direct a team of peers toward shared goals on environmental policy and events. Both roles required me to take initiative, coordinate with others, and be accountable for outcomes, not just participation.

How would you handle differences in opinions or positions on issues being heard at a Senior Commission meeting?

N/A

What makes you knowledgeable about senior issues in the community?

My awareness of senior issues is rooted first in my personal relationships; I am close with my grandparents and older relatives, and those relationships have given me a genuine, human understanding of the challenges that come with aging, including isolation, access to services, and feeling overlooked by systems that were not designed with them in mind. Beyond that, my community work through D4YAC and Teens Reach has exposed me to how different age groups experience San José's resources very differently. I do not claim to be an expert, but I bring empathy, curiosity, and a willingness to listen, which I think are the foundations of actually serving this community well.

Question applies to Youth Commission

If applicable, have you ever participated in your local District Specific Youth Advisory Council?

Yes\,

Question applies to Youth Commission

If you answered Yes to the previous question, what are some projects you worked on in your Youth Advisory Council?

Two years ago, we hosted an Environmental Awareness Campaign, where we invited environmental clubs from schools to present on any topic and provide a hands on activity, forming an impactful event in which attendees left feeling more informed on global warming. Last year, we've hosted a park cleanup, we've written up a policy to put E-waste bins in front of each library branch (currently trying to get it passed), and we've hosting EcoSwap on the weekend of Earth Day (4/26). EcoSwap is basically an opportunity for anyone to drop off gently used items like clothing, toys, etc., or to pick up other people's gently used items. (Any remaining items will be donated.) Aside from the Environmental Committee, as a YAC, I've helped work on AIM; I helped outreach to friends and schools for last year's AIM, which was a career fair including distinguished guest speakers and beneficial workshops.

Question applies to Youth Commission

If applicable, have you ever participated in the Youth Commission's Special Events such as the Annual Budget Summit?

Yes

Question applies to Youth Commission

If you are not selected for your district's Commission seat, would you be interested in the Citywide Commissioner role?

Yes

Anything else you would like us to know?

I want to emphasize that the citywide commissioner role is my primary goal in this application. After years of building experience at D4YAC, I feel ready to take on greater responsibility and advocate for issues that affect all San José youth, not just those in my district. I believe my background has prepared me for exactly this kind of role, and I am eager to bring that energy to the full commission.

(Optional) Please upload a resume.

Retirement Board Questions Only

Verification

By checking the box below, you agree with the following statement.

I agree that all of the information contained in my responses to the questions on this application are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I further agree that, by checking the box below and submitting this application, online or otherwise, I am affixing my digital signature to this form as of the date submitted.

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