



March 2024 Announcement

The Durham Board of County Commissioners solicits applicants to fill positions on the following citizen boards and commissions:

- **Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee (18 At-Large Positions)**
 - This committee's primary function is to maintain the rights of residents living in adult care homes including assisted living facilities and family care homes. They serve as the link between the community and the homes, seeking to increase community involvement and, at the same time, promoting community education and awareness of the needs of the residents in these homes.
Special Requirements: 6-24 hours per quarter, 15 hours of initial training before visits can begin, must complete 10 hours of annual training and must serve on a subcommittee. Miscellaneous: 1 hour per week responding to phone calls, emails and subcommittee meetings.
- **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (2 Positions: 1 At-Large and 1 "Senior Advocacy" Position)**
 - Advises the Board of County Commissioners on questions relating to bicycle and pedestrian issues. The commission consists of 17 members with seven members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners representing citizens in subject areas such as bicycle commuting, urban trails and greenways, university students/university facilities, transportation planning/policy, recreation/recreation business and Inter-Neighborhood Council.
- **Board of Adjustment (1 "County Resident - Alternate" Position)**
 - Holds quasi-judicial public hearings to determine requests made by property owners in the City and County of Durham for minor and custodial care special use permits, variances and appeals of administrative interpretations or decision, as authorized by State law and local ordinance. The BOA is composed of ten members appointed by the Durham City Council and the Board of Commissioners.
Special Requirements: Applicants must reside outside the City limits.
- **Citizens Advisory Committee (1 At-Large Position)**
 - Works to facilitate citizen participation in the planning and implementation of the Durham Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). The CDBG program works to ensure decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses. The CDBG is an important tool for helping our local government officials and administrators to tackle many serious challenges facing our community. The annual CDBG appropriation is allocated between States and local jurisdictions called "non-entitlement" and "entitlement" communities respectively. Entitlement communities are comprised of central cities of Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs); metropolitan cities with populations of at least 50,000; and qualified urban counties with a population of 200,000 or more (excluding the populations of entitlement cities). States distribute CDBG funds to non-entitlement localities not qualified as entitlement communities. The Department of Housing and Urban Development determines the amount of each grant by using a formula comprised of several measures of community need, including the extent of poverty, population, housing overcrowding, age of housing, and population growth lag in relationship to other metropolitan areas.
- **Community Child Protection/Child Fatality Prevention Team (2 Positions: 1 At-Large and 1 "Fireman or EMS Rep" Position)**
 - Promotes the development of a community-wide approach to the problems of child abuse and neglect and seeks ways to protect children from preventable deaths. The team reviews selected cases that are being serviced by child protective services and cases in which a child has died of suspected abuse or neglect.
- **Dangerous Dog Appeal Board (1 "County Employee" Position)**
 - Designated as the board to hear all reviews and appeals authorized by the Durham County Animal Control Ordinance. The Dangerous Dog Appeal Board was established by the Board of County Commissioners, pursuant to General Statute 67-4.1(c) and is responsible for hearing the appeal of dog owners who have had their dogs declared dangerous or potentially dangerous.

- **Durham Open Space and Trails Commission (1 At-Large Position)**
 - Advises the City Council and the Board of Commissioners on matters relating to open space preservation and trail development while involving and educating all segments of the Durham community. The commission has committees that meet on a monthly or as-needed basis: Trails, Matching Grants, Development Review, Community Education/Newsletter, Finance, Open Space, and Nominations.
- **Homeless Services Advisory Committee (1 “Corporate/Private Sector”)**
 - Advises the Durham Board of County Commissioners and the Durham City Council on the implementation of collaborative initiatives to prevent and end homelessness in Durham.
- **Industrial Facilities and Pollution Authority (1 At-Large Position)**
 - Aids in the financing of industrial and manufacturing for the purpose of alleviating unemployment or raising below average manufacturing wages by financing facilities that provides job opportunities or provides better wages than those prevalent in the area.
- **Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (2 Positions: 1 “Youth Under Age 18,” and 1 “Substance Abuse Professional” Position)**
 - Reviews the needs of Durham juveniles who are at risk of delinquency or who have been adjudicated, undisciplined, or delinquent, review and evaluate the resources available to address those needs, develop and implement a request for proposals process, and submit a written plan of action for the expenditure of juvenile sanction and prevention funds to the Durham Board of County Commissioners. Members do not directly interact with any juveniles.
- **Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee (12 At-Large Positions)**
 - Responsive to the needs of nursing home residents and promotes community involvement and cooperation with nursing homes. Members must be County residents and have no financial interest (directly or indirectly) in a nursing home, and no immediate family of a resident can be on the committee.
Special Requirements: 6 hours of initial required official training; 1.5-6 hours required per month for committee meetings, nursing home visits and unofficial training. Requested to participate in various community events.

Deadline for receipt of applications: March 31, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

The online application may be accessed via the following URL link:

<https://durhamcounty.granicus.com/boards/forms/111/apply/>

Property tax listing must be current. County and City taxes must not reflect **any** delinquencies before an application is considered.

Appointments will be considered by the County Commissioners on
Monday, April 29, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.