

Citizens Advisory Committee Volunteer Form

City of Auburn

The City of Auburn is seeking volunteers for its Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) to assist with the priorities for a new Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan is a five-year strategic plan for spending Community Development funds. The CAC will work with Community Development staff and the City's consultant to determine the most pressing neighborhood needs and setting the priorities of the Consolidated Plan. CAC will remain a standing committee for 5 years.

Citizen participation is a condition of receiving two federal grants, Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnerships Program. A Citizen Participation Plan, adopted by the Auburn City Council, identifies persons who may become CAC members. CAC members must be Auburn residents and shall represent one of the following:

- At least one person of minority race or ethnic background;
- 3 representatives of community or faith-based organizations, one of which represents the interests of homeless persons; and
- 12-15 persons from target areas including residents, landlords and small business owners, with a minimum of 4 each from the Downtown, Union Street and New Auburn Target Areas.

The theme of this Consolidated Plan is "strong neighborhoods". The City is interested in members who are committed to making the target areas a place that people want to live and visit as well as finding ways to improve the quality of life for people living in the neighborhood.

The CAC will start meeting in the fall with 1 or 2 meetings per month until priorities have been established in mid-winter of 2015. The Committee will then meet regularly to track progress in accomplishing the goals of the Consolidated Plan and to evaluate effectiveness of programs.

If you are interested in shaping the direction of the Community Development Program for the next five years, please fill out a volunteer application from the *Boards and Committees* section of the City website at www.auburnmaine.gov. Selections will be made by Mayor Labonte. Completed forms may be returned to Reine Mynahan, Community Development Department, 60 Court Street, Auburn, ME 04210 or via email at rmynahan@auburnmaine.gov. The deadline for submitting an application is August 15.

Reine Mynahan, Community Development Director
Tel. 333-6601 ext. 1330

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Name: _____

Home Mailing Address: _____

Years an Auburn resident: _____

Daytime Contact #

Home Telephone _____ Work: _____ or Cell: _____

Email: _____

Please indicate what is applicable to you.

Minority Race: _____ Ethnic Background: _____

Landlord: _____

Live in Target Area: Downtown _____ Union Street _____ New Auburn _____

Own Business in Target Area: Downtown _____ Union Street _____ New Auburn _____

Represents the Interests of the Homeless _____

Represents Community or Faith-based Organization _____

Organization Name: _____

Describe why you would like to serve on this committee (attach separate sheet and please limit to 150 words or less).

Signature: _____ Date: _____