

# San Mateo County Boards, Commissions, Committees and Councils

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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS



# Role of Boards, Commissions, Committee and Councils

- Provide important perspective to County government and further the overall public benefit.
- Gather and analyze public input and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.
- Most are advisory; a select few provide legally required advice or decisions (in certain cases).
  - BCCCs do not make policy decisions, manage or direct programs, commit County resources, or take an official position that has not been approved by the Board of Supervisors.

# Requirements for Service

- **Living in San Mateo County is the sole requirement for service** on most BCCCs.
- Certain Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Councils may have additional requirements.
- County employees are permitted to serve provided there is no conflict of interest.

# Types of Boards and Commissions

- **Advisory**

- Provide recommendations or advice to the Board of Supervisors

- **Decision-making**

- Make Final County decisions

- **What determines type?**

- State law, County Charter, or Board action (ordinance or resolution)

# Role of Commissioners

- Attend and prepare for regular meetings
- Learn the functions of the BCCC on which you serve
- Serve on subcommittees/Ad Hoc Committees
- Familiarize yourself and ensure compliance with regulatory statutes
- Maintain the highest ethical standards
- Respect the voice and spirit of your BCCC peers and the community you serve
- Be an active member of a collaborative effort to serve the community good
- Advance the goals of the BCCC
- Bring an equity lens into the makeup, priorities, and recommendations of the BCCC

# List of County Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Councils

## Advisory BCCCs:

- **Agricultural Advisory Committee**
- Arts Commission
- **Behavioral Health Commission**
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- Child Abuse Prevention Council
- Child Care Partnership Council
- **Commission on Aging**
- **Commission on Disabilities**
- Commission on the Status of Women
- Community Corrections Partnership Council
- Domestic Violence Council
- Emergency Medical Care Committee
- **Farmworker Advisory Commission**
- Health Care for the Homeless/Farm Workers Health Program
- Housing and Community Development Committee
- Independent Civilian Advisory Commission on the Sheriff's Office
- Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council
- Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual Plus (LGBTQIA+) Commission

- Measure K Oversight Committee
- Midcoast Community Council
- North Fair Oaks Community Council
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Pescadero Municipal Advisory Council
- **Public Authority Advisory Committee**
- Veterans Commission
- Youth Commission

## Decision-Making BCCCs:

- **Assessment Appeals Board**
- **Bayside Design Review Committee**
- Board of Building Permit Appeals
- Business License Board
- Civil Service Commission
- **Coastside Design Review Committee**
- Deferred Compensation Committee
- First 5 Commission
- Planning Commission
- San Mateo Medical Center Board of Directors
- Treasury Oversight Committee

***\*Bodies listed in red currently have vacancies***

# Boards & Commissions Vacancies Webpage







# How to join a County BCCC:

1. Check for vacancies.
2. Apply online or complete a paper application.
3. Interview.
4. Appointment
5. Oath

**Disclaimer:** This is the process for most County Boards and Commissions. Some Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Councils have different procedures.



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Q&A -  
Thank you.



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- Aaron Adriano, LGBTQIA+ Commission
  - Anisha Weber, Commission on the Status of Women
  - Lois Fried, Arts Commission
  - Mara Grimes, Arts Commission

## Panel Discussion