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Community Advisory Board (CAB) Application Form - Submission #325619

Date Submitted: 11/4/2024

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Name & Location

First Name*

Kelly

Last Name*

Welsh

City of Residence*

Walnut Creek

Zip*

94598

City of Employment/School*

County of Solano

Zip*

94533

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Female

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About Your Interest in the CCP Community Advisory Board

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I am extremely interested in helping Contra Costa with the issues regarding the overcrowded prison population and any efforts we can do to decrease recidivism.

I have had many experiences in life both personally and professionally. However, one of my main passions lies in the world of public safety and as it relates to recidivism particularly. During law school I worked for the ACLU and was the lead organizer for Prop H, a police reform campaign that was passed in 2003 by San Francisco voters. I was also an elected official in San Francisco as Delegate to the California Democratic Party. During my time on the Board of the Democratic Party, I introduced a 21st Century Police Reform Resolution. I worked with the Racial Justice Committee at the Public Defender's Office to pass a plan for improving police accountability in the city. I sat down with the San Francisco Police Officers Association and the Chief of Police at the time to work on the plan, which the Chief supported, and the resolution was ultimately passed.

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After law school, I worked in litigation and although I would have loved to have been working in the civil rights arena, I took the first job I could find. I became more involved in San Francisco politics and ran a successful campaign to be on the SF Democratic County Central Committee and was an Assembly District Delegate to the California Democratic Party. During my time on the Board of the Democratic Party, I introduced a 21st Century Police Reform Resolution. I worked with the Racial Justice Committee at the SF Public Defender's Office to pass a plan for improving police accountability in the city. I sat down with the San Francisco Police Officers Association and the Chief of Police at the time to work on the plan, which the Chief supported, and the resolution was ultimately passed.

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Tell us about any skills, experiences, or resources you believe you would bring to the Community Advisory Board. *

I recently served as an Elected Official in Solano as a member of the Board of Trustees for the Vacaville Unified School District.

During college I served on the Board of Directors for the ACLU, San Francisco Chapter

After receiving my Bachelor’s Degree, I worked for a non-profit in San Francisco-Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth

During my residence and work in San Francisco, I received a Board of Supervisors Certificate of Recognition for service and dedication to San Francisco’s children and residents of Treasure Island

During law school I was awarded a Scholarship from Foundation of the State Bar of California-for Excellence in Public Service

I believe I would be an asset to the CCP Community Advisory Board, because of the culmination of my education and background in employment and my dedication to EVERYONE in our communities.

Questions? Contact:

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[Redacted Street Address]

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Guerrero-Pastrana

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Pittsburg

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Concord

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I see the CAB as an organization with a unique, community-centered perspective—one that genuinely cares about the outcomes of its efforts and the work involved in supporting our community. From my experience so far, I feel there’s a valuable opportunity to also focus on the employment and employer aspects of reentry services, an area where I can bring my expertise.

I’d love to explore what it could look like to expand this focus and see how I can help coordinate programs that uplift justice-impacted individuals seeking employment. I’m truly excited about the potential to contribute in this way and help make a difference.

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I bring nine years of experience working with justice-impacted individuals and thirteen years in the workforce field, allowing me to provide valuable insights from both employer and recruiter perspectives. Currently, I serve as the Business Services Manager at Rubicon Programs, where I am responsible for building and maintaining partnerships with employers, community-based organizations, and training providers. In this role, I’m deeply committed to creating pathways to employment by connecting community members with meaningful opportunities that support their growth and success. I work regionally across Contra Costa and Alameda Counties. I am bilingual with strong ties to the community and involved in passion projects such as building out sports programs for local children. I have worked in partnership with many Adult Eds, Community Colleges, CBO’s all geared towards uplifting employability and removal of barriers. I directly influence, host, design, and strategize single and large-scale job fairs. I think the most valuable item I bring to the table is my knowledge of programs, resources, and boots-on-the-ground actions taking place in real-time that can help shape the CABS recommendations based on real data.

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