



Community Preservation Act Committee (CPAC) Member Position

The City of Holyoke is seeking a dedicated resident to serve as the **Community Representative** on the **Community Preservation Committee** (CPC). This volunteer position offers the opportunity to play a crucial role in shaping the future of our city by helping to recommend and oversee the allocation of funds from the Community Preservation Act (CPA). As a member of the CPC, you will collaborate with other committee members to review, evaluate, and recommend projects related to affordable housing, historic preservation, open space, and recreation.

Responsibilities:

- Attend monthly committee meetings and participate in public presentations
- Review applications for CPA funding and participate in the decision-making process
- Work with various city/town departments, organizations, and community members to ensure projects align with the goals of the CPA and the city
- Assist in developing long-term strategies and goals for community preservation and resource allocation
- Act as a liaison between the committee and the residents of Holyoke, ensuring the community's voice is heard in the planning and implementation of CPA-funded projects

Qualifications:

- A strong commitment to the community
- Excellent communication and collaboration skills
- An understanding of or interest in issues related to affordable housing, historic preservation, open space conservation, and recreational opportunities
- Basic proficiency in or willingness to learn programs such as Zoom, Google Docs, and Google Sheets
- Residency in Holyoke is required

Time Commitment:

The Community Representative is expected to attend one evening meeting per month and additional subcommittee meetings as needed. Additional time may be required for reviewing project applications, project site visits, community engagement efforts, and public presentations by applicants.

Benefits:

This is a volunteer position. However, it provides an excellent opportunity to contribute to the development and preservation of our community's character, and to build relationships with local government leaders and community organizations.

How to Apply:

Interested residents should submit a letter of interest detailing their background and why they would like to serve on the Community Preservation Committee. Applications should be submitted to the City of Holyoke Personnel Director at Personnel@holyoke.org by Thursday, October 24, 2024.

For more information about the Community Preservation Act and the role of the CPC, visit <https://holyokecpac.org/>.