



January 2026 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 (17 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.
- Boxing and Wrestling Commission (1 At-Large Position)
 - Supervises boxing and wrestling events in Durham County. The commission seeks to promote public trust in the conduct of these sports and the administration of the rules and regulations governing them. The commission also levies and collects fees for such events. The fees are used according to the directions of the Durham County Board of Commissioners.
- Durham Open Space and Trails Commission (1 “Lebanon Township” Position)
 - Advise 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 consists of eight members appointed by both the City Council and Board of Commissioners, four elected or appointed officials, and up to 10 members appointed by the commission. 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.
- Durham Racial Equity Commission (1 “Leader/Community Organizer of Community-Rooted Organization Based” Position)
 - The scope and responsibilities for the Commission include: Advise local government entities regarding the implementation of City-County-DPS specific recommendations from the City of Durham Racial Equity Taskforce Report; Advise these entities regarding implementation of racial equity action plans, developed in tandem with GARE (Government Alliance on Race and Equity) to encourage progress on equitable outcomes on practices that may disproportionately impact persons of color and low-income residents; Establish communication with residents, relay progress on plan implementation, and prioritize community interests to integrate racial equity initiatives; Advise racial equity staff in developing and implementing a racial equity evaluation based on the Taskforce report and jurisdictional racial equity action plan recommendations; Pursue data, research and policy recommendations to advance racial equity and uphold governmental accountability in promoting anti-racism practices and to promote anti-racist practices across the community.
- Durham Workforce Development Board (3 Positions: 1 “Barriers to Employment,” 1 “Business Sector,” and 1 “Labor Organization” Position)
 - Established by the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and is a consortium agreement between the City and County of Durham. The purpose of the board is to facilitate, plan and coordinate workforce development resources to maximize the efforts of government, business, and education. Through collaborative partnerships, the board is the local policy organization responsible for the planning, oversight and coordination of workforce development initiatives that help support economic development in Durham. It provides leadership to the local workforce system by promoting a responsive workforce development system, providing guidance and exercising independent oversight regarding activities under the Workforce Investment Act and programs within the Durham JobLink Career Center system. By law, the majority of board members must represent the private sector, with the balance of the board being comprised of representatives from educational, rehabilitation, public assistance and economic development agencies, community-based organizations, organized labor and the employment service.
- Historic Preservation Commission (1 At-Large Position)
 - Holds quasi-judicial public hearings to determine whether requested changes to the exterior of historic district or ~~landmark properties are appropriate by State law, local ordinance and historic preservation plans for the districts.~~

- Homeless Services Advisory Committee (1 “Corporate/Private Sector” Position)
 - Advise 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 Control Financing Authority (4 At-Large Positions)
 - Aids in the financing of industrial and manufacturing for the purpose of alleviating unemployment or raising below average manufacturing wages by financing facilities that provide job opportunities or provide better wages than those prevalent in the area. Meets on an ad hoc basis.
- Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (1 “Youth (Under Age 21) OR Member of the Public Representing the Interests of Families of At-Risk Juveniles” and 1 “Youth (Under Age 21)” 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 (13 At-Large Positions)
 - Responsive to the needs of nursing home residents and promote 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: January 31, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Appointments will be considered by the County Commissioners on
Monday, February 9, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

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

The online application may be accessed via the following URL link:
<https://durhamcounty.granicus.com/boards/forms/111/apply/>

For paper applications or additional information, please contact the Clerk to the Board’s Office at
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