

Subject: Online Form Submittal: Advisory Group Application
Date: Friday, December 5, 2025 9:57:32 PM

Advisory Group Application

Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Advisory Groups

Public Statement

THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public advisory group, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All advisory group members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.

Title	Mr.
First Name	Carl
Last Name	Isom-McDaniel
Today's Date	12/5/2025
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Do you live in Whatcom County?	Yes
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Step 2

1. Name of Advisory Public Health Advisory Board

Group

Public Health Advisory Board I have expertise, career experience, or lived experience in one of the areas listed above., I am a consumer of public health services.

2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying? Yes

3. Which Council district do you live in? District 3

4. Have you ever been a member of this Advisory Group? Yes

If yes, please list dates: Surface Mine Advisory Committee, 2024-present

5. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County? No

6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county? No

You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions Attached

7. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), Currently I work with several non-profits with the goal of health equity in East County, as well as a sitting commissioner on both the Columbia Valley water district and park district, and I work directly with the community to find ways to meet their

qualifications,
professional and/or
community activities,
and education

8. Please describe why
you're interested in
serving on this
Advisory Group.

I am very involved with health equity, environmental issues,
housing, basic needs, and several other matters in East County.
Therefore, this is another opportunity for me to not only help East
County but also all of Whatcom County.

References (please
include daytime
telephone number):

Joni Hensley, [REDACTED]
Melonie Ancheta, [REDACTED]

Appointment
Requirements

I understand and agree

Signature of applicant:

Carl Isom-McDaniel

Place Signed /
Submitted

[REDACTED]

(Section Break)

CARL ISOM-MCDANIEL

PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

CONTACT

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PROFILE

I have been working on health issues in East Whatcom County for over 12 years. I did this by working with existing providers, but when one did not exist to address a problem, I created one. I have helped to create the Columbia Valley Park and Recreation District, the Foothills Communication Hub, and the Foothills Community Alliance.

SKILLS

Community organization
Networking
Communication
Innovative

EXPERIENCE

Columbia Valley Water District

2017-Present

Commissioner

Columbia Valley Park and Recreation District

2019-Present

Commissioner.

Foothills Community Alliance

2018-Present

FCA is currently funding projects in East County to improve living standards in the Columbia Valley.

Foothills Communication Hub

2015-Present

FCH is a Newspaper, website, social media, and radio station with a sole mission of getting information from providers to the community in the Mt Baker School District area for basic needs.

Equity and Health Determinants Committee

2018-2021

A Committee of the Mount Baker Foundation with the mission to find upstream problems that affect health in rural areas and fund ways to correct them.

EDUCATION

WWU
1995-1997
MS

WWU
1991-1994
BS

Joint Grantmaking Committee

2021-Present

A Committee of the Mt Baker Foundation with the mission to work with Community Members to find unique solutions to health inequities in rural areas.

Kidney Health Group

2019-Present

A committee of the Mt Baker Foundation, with the mission to get the information about Kidney health in all stages, from Pre-Diabetes to Kidney failure, out to the public.

Kendal Summerfest

2020-Present

This is a community event that hosts National Night Out, cooks for between 750 and 1000 people prepared by the local firemen, brings in providers to talk to the community, and builds community spirit.

Mount Baker Community Coalition

2016-Present

Working with Whatcom Family and Community Network, we try to stem drug use in youths in 6th through 12th grade. This is done by using several proven strategies.

Friends of the Northfork Library

2018-2025

Working with the Whatcom County Library System to bring programs to the Northfork Library, as well as funding the addition of a meeting room.

Subject:

Re: Additional Info requested for your application to the Public Health Advisory Board

Date:

Thursday, January 15, 2026 1:40:15 PM

Jill,

Thank you for getting back to me so quickly. The three areas I would like to be considered for are below. If you require further information, please feel free to contact me.

iv. Business and Philanthropy

I currently serve on the Mt. Baker Foundation's Joint Grantmaking Committee, formerly known as the Equity and Health Determinants Committee. The committee funds projects and organizations that directly address health inequities throughout Whatcom County.

Since 2017, I have co-chaired the Northwest Clean Air Agency's Columbia Valley Air Quality Committee. Our work focuses on improving air quality through initiatives such as grant-funded wood stove change-out programs (replacing older stoves with cleaner and more efficient models), the provision of free heat pumps, and chipping events that reduce the burning of yard waste within the Columbia Valley UGA.

In addition, I founded and currently serve on the boards of two 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations. The first, the Foothills Community Alliance, focuses on addressing upstream health determinants in East Whatcom County. The second, the Foothills Communication Hub, operates a newspaper, radio station, website, and social media channels to disseminate information between service providers and the community, and to highlight community members contributing to the well-being of the region.

v. Communities Experiencing Health Inequities

I reside in the Kendall UGA of Columbia Valley, a community with a high proportion of elderly, disabled, and unhoused residents. My work within this community spans direct service support—including navigating public assistance systems and paperwork—construction of wheelchair ramps for newly disabled residents, and coordination of a wood-bank program that provides 16–20 cords of firewood annually to low-income households who would otherwise lack heat during winter months.

I also organize bimonthly trash cleanup events through the local Neighborhood Watchdog Group, along with a variety of other service-oriented “helping hand” programs that strengthen community resilience and quality of life.

vi. Government

I am an elected Commissioner for both the Columbia Valley Water District and the Columbia Valley Park and Recreation District. As a Water District Commissioner for the past eight years, I have waived my stipend and worked diligently to ensure residents of the Kendall UGA have access to clean and affordable drinking water.

I was a founding member involved in establishing the Columbia Valley Park and Recreation District in 2016. In that capacity, and without direct assistance from Whatcom County, I supported the acquisition of the District's first park and have continued to work toward expanding recreational lands through greenbelt purchases and related acquisitions.

I also currently serve on the Surface Mines Advisory Board, where recent work has included contributing to updates to components of the County Comprehensive Plan.

Thank you,

Carl Isom-McDaniel