
Application for Appointment to Board, Commission, Committee, Task Force or Position

Applicants appointed by the Board of Supervisors will be required to take an oath of office. All applications will be kept on file for one year from the date of application.

Public Records Act

Applications are public records that are subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act. Information provided by the applicant is not regarded as confidential except for the addresses and phone numbers of references and the applicant's personal information including home and work addresses, phone numbers and email address.

Form 700 Conflict of Interest Code

[California Fair Political Practices Website](#)

Please note that appointees may be required by state law and county conflict of interest code to file financial disclosure statements.

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Housing Element Advisory Committee (HEAC): Submitted

Category of Membership for Which You Are Applying

Napa County Planning Commission

Profile

Joelle

First Name

M.

Middle Initial

Gallagher

Last Name


Email Address


Home Address

Suite or Apt

Napa

City

CA

State

94559

Postal Code

Which supervisorial district do you reside in? *

☒ District 1

To find your supervisorial district go to <https://www.countyofnapa.org/2051/Find-my-supervisor-and-district> and enter your address.


Primary Phone

First 5 Napa County
Employer

Executive Director
Job Title

Administration
Occupation

Education/Experience

Bachelor of Science, University of Santa Clara, 1984 First 5 Napa County, 2017 - present Cope Family Center, 2001-2017 Napa County Farm Bureau and Napa Valley Grape Growers Association , 1993-2001 see resume for additional

Name and occupation of spouse within the last 12 months, if married. (For conflict of Interest purposes)

Bill Chadwick, Lecturer, Naval Postgraduate School

Resume

[Gallagher_Resume_2021.docx](#)

Upload a Resume

Letter of Recommendation or Supplemental Attachments

Professional or occupational license, date of issue, and expiration including status

References: Provide names and phone numbers of 3 individuals who are familiar with your background.

Community Participation

Please explain your reasons for wishing to serve and, in your opinion, how you feel you could contribute.

I am passionate about serving the residents of Napa county and have been a housing advocate for well over a decade. I co-founded and currently co-chair the Napa Housing Coalition, a group dedicated to creating more housing that is affordable throughout the county. Serving on the County Planning Commission, I understand the importance of each of the General Plan elements, and how they guide our efforts in policymaking. We have a serious housing challenge as a region, and I'm dedicated to working with others to find creative ways to provide all of our residents with healthy, safe, and affordable housing.

Nature of activity and community location

Napa County Child Abuse Prevention Council Continuum of Care, Former Board Member Community Health Initiative, Past Office and Founding Board Member Napa Chamber of Commerce, Past Board Member Napa Chamber Foundation, Past Board Member Teens Connect, Founding Board Member Progressive Women of Napa Valley, Member Napa Valley Coalition of Non-Profits, Former Chair and Board Member see resume for additional activities

Other County Board/Commission/Committee on Which You Serve/Have Served

Planning Commission Live Healthy Napa County

Public Actions that may impact Credit Rating (List all court or other public administration actions impacting your credit rating within the past ten (10) years)

Electronic Signature Agreement

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

☒ Yes ☐ No

Please Agree with the Following Statement

By checking the "I agree" box below, you agree and acknowledge that 1) your application will not be signed in the sense of a traditional paper document, 2) by signing in this alternate manner, you authorize your electronic signature to be valid and binding upon you to the same force and effect as a handwritten signature, and 3) you may still be required to provide a traditional signature at a later date.

☒ I Agree

Electronic Signature (First M. Last)

Joelle M. Gallagher

Date

August 27, 2021

Joelle M. Gallagher

Joelle Gallagher



Personal Summary

Twenty-eight year career in Napa county, spanning diverse leadership roles in nonprofit agencies, serving and advocating for children, families, vulnerable populations and the environment. Passionate about leading organizations and community collaboratives to create systems that achieve greater levels of impact. Progressive, determined, and innovative.

Professional Experience

First 5 Napa County, Executive Director

4/17-present

Napa, CA

- Responsible for the administration of First 5 Napa County, legislated through California's "Children and Families First Act" (Prop 10), adopted by voters in 1998.
- Supervise Evaluation & Contract Manager and Program Administrative Manager
- Oversee Proposition 10 community grants to agencies providing early childhood services
- Serve as fiscal lead for state grants designed to build capacity in the early childhood field
- Collaborate with the First 5 Commission, early childhood community, local and state policy makers, and parents to develop comprehensive systems to address the needs of families and their children 0-5 years

Cope Family Center, Executive Director

2001-2017

Napa, CA

- Responsible for the administration of a community-based organization employing 30+ staff members
- Supervise Associate, Finance, and Operations Directors, working collaboratively to oversee and implement fiscal, operations, human resources and fund development
- Supervise Program Managers and provide strategic guidance in the implementation and evaluation of evidence-based programming
- Represent the organization to the community, including partner agencies, community and business leaders, County and City governments, and the media
- Develop the Board of Directors and oversee board member orientation and training
- Partner with Board of Directors to assure a "mission driven" environment, aligning program, staff and funding
- Facilitate strategic planning for Leadership Staff and Board of Directors
- Collaborate with County, Cities, industry partners, community organizations, elected officials and business, to develop and implement countywide strategies to address social determinants of health, to create a healthier, more equitable community

Napa County Farm Bureau
Napa Valley Grape Growers
Napa, CA

Executive Director

1996-2001

- Responsible for the administrative and fiscal oversight of two nonprofit membership organizations
- Oversee membership recruitment and retention
- Oversee Program Director and administrative staff and collaborate to create and implement programs and services to members
- Represent the organizations to local and statewide wine and agricultural industry organizations, membership, government, media and general public
- Collaborate with two boards of directors and several board committees to serve membership, and provide leadership to the agriculture and wine industries
- Work with Napa County Planning staff, Planning Commission, Board of Supervisors, and industry partners, to create and implement policies that protect and promote agricultural resources

Program Director

1993-1996

- Oversee all programming including member services, public relations, communications, marketing and publications
- Organize and manage organizational events including educational seminars, membership events, and regional trade show

Other Employment

JL Technologies, Partner

1990-1993

California Pacific Medical Center, Community Education Manager

1990-1992

Polaris Aircraft Leasing Corporation, Senior Marketing Assistant

1986-1989

Education

Bachelor of Science, Psychology

University of Santa Clara, Santa Clara, CA

1984

Loyola University Chicago, Study Abroad Program, Rome, Italy

1983

Leadership Certificate, Dominican University

May 2013

Certified EQ Practitioner, Six Seconds Inc.



Oct. 2016

Community Leadership and Regional/Statewide Presenter

- Napa County Planning Commissioner
- Live Healthy Napa County, Leadership Collaborative, Co-Chair
- Napa Housing Coalition, Co-Chair
- Teens Connect, Founding Board Chair
- Funding the Next Generation/Measure Y, Campaign Steering Committee, Member
- Progressive Women of Napa Valley, Steering Member
- Napa Valley Leadership Council, Member

- Napa County Child Abuse Prevention Council, Member
- Napa Valley Coalition of Nonprofit Agencies, Former Board Member, Past President
- Community Health Initiative, Past Officer & Founding Board Member
- Napa Chamber of Commerce, Former Board Member
- Napa Chamber Foundation, Former Board Member
- Leadership Napa Valley graduate, 2001
- DHHS Public Health 3.0, regional conference, April 2016, presenter
- Funding the Next Generation, statewide conference, May 2016, presenter
- Health Officers Association of California, statewide conference, October 2016, presenter

Awards/Recognitions

- Center for Volunteer and Nonprofit Leadership, “Excellence in Leadership” award, 2015
- Superbowl 50 “Playmaker” award, 2015 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f6wzVW9nVvHc>
- Napa Soroptimist “Ruby Award” winner, 2011
- Napa Chamber Foundation, “Outstanding Nonprofit of the Year” May 2008
- Napa County Childcare Planning Council, Honored Nominee, “Family Friendly Workplace” award 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008
- California State Legislature recognition, “Dedication and grass roots efforts supporting the rights of women worldwide,” Napa Valley Peace Table, March 2001

Charles W. Shinnamon, P.E.

August 30, 2021

Boards, Committees & Commissions
Napa County CEO Office
ATTN: Neha Hoskins
1195 Third Street, Suite 310
Napa, CA 94559

Re: Housing Element Advisory Committee (HEAC) Application letter of recommendation for
Ms. Joelle Gallagher

To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept my letter of recommendation on behalf of Joelle Gallagher who has applied for appointment to the Housing Element Advisory Committee (HEAC).

I have had the pleasure of working with Ms. Gallagher for the last five years as volunteers with the Napa Housing Coalition. During that time, she has served as either the Chair or Co-Chair of the Coalition. She has been a consistent and knowledgeable advocate for housing that is affordable to all members of our Napa community. She is organized, a good listener, passionate about the entirety of the Napa County community, and well prepared to serve on the Advisory Committee.

I recommend Ms. Gallagher highly.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely yours,

Chuck Shinnamon

Charles W. Shinnamon, P.E.