



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Fall 2026 Nomination Process for Northside Youth Vacancy on the Commission

Application Form

Eligibility Questions:

1. Full Name:
2. Phone number:
3. Email address:
4. Current residential address:
5. To qualify for the Northside vacancy on the Commission, you must have resided in Chicago for at least the last five years immediately preceding appointment and on the Northside for the last 365 days preceding your appointment. To comply with these residency requirements, use the space below to list all of your past residential addresses since January 2022. If you changed your residential address at any point since January 2022, you must provide the dates for each time you changed your residential address, including the date you moved to your current location. *Note that youth applicants may be given some flexibility if they resided outside of Chicago for school or other relevant temporary reasons.*

6. You are applying for a four-year term on the Commission. Do you have reason to anticipate moving outside of the city over the course of the next four years? If your answer is anything other than no, please explain.
7. To be eligible for this specific vacancy, you must be between the ages of 18-24 at the time of your appointment to the Commission, which would likely take place at some point in 2027. To comply with age verification requirements, please share your birth date:
8. Which of the following best describes you? (Mark all that apply)
- ☐ Asian or Pacific Islander
 - ☐ Black or African American
 - ☐ Hispanic or of Latin American Descent
 - ☐ Native American or Alaskan Native
 - ☐ White or Caucasian
 - ☐ Other: _____
 - ☐ Prefer not to say
9. To serve on the Commission, you cannot have worked as an employee of the Chicago Police Department (CPD), the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA), or the Police Board in any of the five years immediately preceding appointment (i.e., since approximately March of 2020). If you were appointed to the Commission this year, would you satisfy this requirement?
- ☐ Yes, this does not apply to me.
 - ☐ No, I believe that I have worked for one of these agencies in the past.
 - ☐ Unsure.
10. If you marked “unsure”, please explain, and include the dates of your past employment:

11. The responsibilities and workload of a Commissioner vary from week to week and month to month. Commissioners should be prepared to spend at least twenty hours per week on average on Commission business. While Commission staff will make best efforts to accommodate individual schedules, Commissioners will be expected to devote some time during the workday, weekday evenings, and weekends to Commission business. To demonstrate that you can dedicate enough time to carrying out the work of a Commissioner, please share what other commitments you have each week and throughout the year, any changes you will make to your schedule to be available for Commission work across different times of the week, and whether you anticipate any developments in the future that could reduce your capacity as a Commissioner. (Limit 200 words)

Qualification Questions:

12. Why do you want to become a Commissioner? Your answer may include a description of your experience with policing and the criminal legal system that may have had an impact on your life and on your interest in serving on the Commission. (Limit 300 words)

13. Please describe your most relevant history of leadership and involvement in your community, through work or volunteer activities. (Limit 300 words)

14. Describe your experience engaging with people impacted by or involved with policing or the legal system, which may include, but is not limited to, neighborhood organizations, marginalized communities, police officers, the

Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability, District Councils, or other public officials. (Limit 300 words)

15. What do you want to accomplish as a Commissioner? What is your vision for public safety and accountability? (Limit 300 words)

Resume and Three Letters of Support

You must submit a resume and exactly three letters of support from people familiar with your qualifications to serve on the Commission. Email all documents to **CommissionNomination@cityofchicago.org** with your last name in the subject line.

Statement of Accuracy and Truthfulness

"By signing below, I affirm that all information and materials I provided in my Commissioner application are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any missing responses or any false or misleading statements may result in disqualification of my application."

Full legal name

Today's date