

# Application

## Profile

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### New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

Jennifer  
First Name

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### Date of Birth

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City

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State

22308  
Postal Code

Aldersgate Day School  
Employer

Preschool Teacher  
Job Title

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### Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Children, Youth And Families Collaborative Commission: Submitted

### Which position are you applying for?

Children, Youth and Families Commission

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## Demographics

Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.

Yes  No

If yes, how long?

15 years

Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?

Yes  No

Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

Yes  No

If yes, please explain

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## Interests & Experiences

### Statement of Interest

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I am a lifelong student of Sociology. I am committed to helping young people and focused on how relationships, services and program can help families in our region.

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Yes  No

If yes, please list the board:

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How many terms have you served on this board?

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Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

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Yes  No

If yes, please state your department, job title, and describe your duties:

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Do any of your immediate relatives or business associates now serve the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

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If yes, please explain:

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Yes  No

If applicable, will you comply with the provisions of the City's conflict of interest requirements in City Ordinance 2867 regarding the completion of a financial disclosure statement??

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Yes  No

## EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

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AA, Legal Studies BA Sociology

## SUMMARY OF WORK AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE:

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I worked within the public school system in Southern California as an Instructional Assistant to multi-handicapped children. I was then a paralegal for approximately 10 years. After marrying, I moved to Alexandria, VA to support my husband in his Marine Corps career and I am now a preschool teacher at Aldersgate Day School.

**REFERENCES - Please list names, phone number and/or email addresses of three references that support your application.**

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## Non-Discrimination Data Supplemental Questions

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HMH  
Employer

Sr. Director, Policy and Engagement  
Job Title

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Children, youth and family issues

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Yes  No

If yes, how long?

14 years

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Yes  No

Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

Yes  No

If yes, please explain

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I am interested in this position since I believe my expertise in policies impacting children, youth and families could be beneficial to the City of Alexandria. I have enjoyed supporting children through volunteering in ACPS, and I see so many wonderful opportunities for the City to support our children across the spectrum of agencies and organizations we have. I am empathetic and equity-minded, always trying to understand and consider how all families in our City would be impacted by a decision. I use data and evidence to inform decision-making and place a particular focus on progress monitoring implementation of programs so we know where adjustments or changes are needed to a policy. I would like to be more involved in City government so I can be of service to our community.

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## **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

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I spent my entire K-12 education in public schools. I received my undergraduate degree in social policy from Northwestern University in Evanston, IL. There I focused my studies on policies that support children, youth and families, including housing, childcare, education, food support, domestic violence, and financial assistance to families in need. My master's degree is in elementary education from Northwestern University, and through that program I furthered my expertise in child and youth development.

## SUMMARY OF WORK AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE:

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My professional and personal endeavors over the last 21 years have centered on supporting children, youth and families. I conducted research and served as a student teacher in bilingual classrooms in Chicago, which deepened my appreciation of multilingualism and the experiences of recently arrived immigrant families. I began my professional career as an elementary school classroom teacher in the Chicago Public Schools. From that experience I learned that to support a child's success, you need to support the family's well-being. Upon moving to the Washington, D.C. area in 2005 from Chicago, I supported the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Children and Families as they developed policies for out-of-school time for youth. From there, I moved to a non-profit organization, the Council of Chief State School Officers, and I provided technical assistance to state leaders on policies and programs that improve children's educational outcomes. As part of that, I led programs that developed partnerships between local community organizations, healthcare providers, local government agencies, and educational entities so schools can be a community hub for families. The power of partnership to improve youth and family outcomes is something I would prioritize if I was a member of this Commission. I currently lead policy and engagement efforts in K-12 education for a national organization aimed at increasing children's educational outcomes. In my personal life, I have volunteered as a GED tutor for young parents and reading tutor for first graders. I am involved with the Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) as the parent of two children in the school system. I served on the PTA Council of Alexandria (PTAC) and currently am the Mount Vernon Community School (MVCS) PTA co-VP of fundraising. In this role, I consider how to create more equitable access for all families in our community, develop more collaborative family-school partnerships, and how funds raised by the PTA can benefit students who are most in need of additional support and services. Gun violence prevention is also an important issue to me in reducing injury and death among children and youth, since now firearms are the number one cause of death among children in America. I therefore volunteer and have held a leadership position in Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in Alexandria. In my faith community, I volunteer for our Matthew 25 program to provide nutritional and clothing assistance to families. I try to spend my time outside of work and being a mom volunteering to improve our community for children and families.

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Council for Accreditation of  
Counseling and Related  
Educational Programs

Employer

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State

22303

Postal Code

Accreditation Analyst

Job Title

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Community Member with expertise



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Yes  No

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2020-2022; 2023-present

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Yes  No

If yes, please explain

In 2018 and 2019 I worked with the TeensWork program for the City of Alexandria's Workforce Development Center.

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## Interests & Experiences

Statement of Interest

My primary professional experience has been as a marriage and family therapist working in various environments to include schools, in home, and addictions facilities. My background also includes experiences in college coaching, customer service, tutoring and with the TeensWork Summer Employment program at the Workforce Development Center. I recently turned 40 and have decided that this is a legacy year for me. In this legacy year I hope to build on some of the ideas that were formulated during graduate school with hopes of becoming more active within the community in ways where I can use my expertise and make an impact with children and families.

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Octavius Fulton, previous supervisor at the Workforce Development Center.

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## **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

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Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL -M.S. Marriage and Family Therapy, June 2014  
University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Princess Anne, MD -B.S. Rehabilitation Services, December 2011  
Genesis International Consulting Firm, Greenbelt, MD Executive Leadership and Life Coaching Training, August 2010

## **SUMMARY OF WORK AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE:**

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I have worked and served in a variety of capacities that have shown my passion for children and families. Prior to starting graduate school, I became a certified life coach, specializing in college coaching. I later did college coaching sessions with various students, participated in a panel, did coaching overseas and expanded my business to incorporate vision coaching. During the pursuit of my M.S. degree in Marriage and Family Therapy, I became a reading tutor for K-6th and later worked as a reading tutor for Kumon. Some of my internship experiences included solution focused therapy in schools, group facilitation at a recovery center and in home mental health services as a therapist and psychiatric rehabilitation counselor. I had a wonderful experience working for the City of Alexandria at the Workforce Development Center. I became familiar with the city, some of the local business and with ARHA.

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The HRC's main role is to ensure discrimination does not occur in our city based on race, color, sex, religion, ancestry, national origin, marital status, familial status, age, sexual orientation or disability with respect to housing, employment, public accommodations, health and social services, education, credit or city contracts.

**Date of Application**

