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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board/Commission/Committee/Task Force: Our City, Our Home

Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications): seat 4

Full Name: Kezia (Zia) Villias-Martinis

San Francisco Zip Code: 94109

Occupation: Community Liasion

Work Phone: 1-785-218-3019 Employer: Talentpoole

Business Address: 1760 Bush Street #409 San Francisco Zip Code: 94109

Business Email: _____ Home Email: _____

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My qualifications and personal experiences uniquely position me to represent this community of interest, neighborhoods, diversity, ethnicity, and relevant demographics in our city, particular in overseeing funding for homeless individuals.

Growing up in the San Francisco foster care system and experiencing homelessness during the foreclosure crisis of 2009 have shaped my perspective and fueled my passion for advocating for marginalized communities. These challenges have instilled in me a deep understanding of social and economic disparities and a strong commitment to making a difference in the lives of those in need.

I am proud to share that I am soon to graduate from the Rise for Racial Justice Justice program at the University of San Francisco, further equipping me with the knowledge and skills to address issues of racial inequality and social justice. As an African American person I believe I can effectively represent woman of color, individuals with experience in the foster care system, and lifelong residents of San Francisco who aspire to remain in their community.

Business and/or Professional Experience:**Civic Activities:**

Have you attended any meetings of the body to which you are applying? Yes ☐ No ☐

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Date: 05/08/2024 Applicant's Signature (required): Kezia Villias-Martinis
(Manually sign or type your complete name.
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hereby consenting to use of electronic signature.)

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Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications): 3,4,5

Full Name: LaShonti L Woods

Zip Code: 94134

Property Manager

Work Phone: 415-431-2872 Employer: TNDC

Business Address: 180 Jones St Zip Code: 94102

Business Email: lwoods@tndc.org Home Email: [REDACTED]

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My extensive experience in property management within San Francisco's Tenderloin district, particularly with Single Room Occupancy (SRO) buildings, positions is a valuable asset for roles focused on community development and housing. My progression from a desk clerk to managing a newly inaugurated building, coupled with over two decades of training in fostering safe and thriving communities, underscores my dedication and expertise.

I have a background in contributing to positive change in the city, consider the following steps:

Engage with Local Housing Organizations: Organizations like the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation (TNDC) are deeply involved in community development and housing initiatives. Exploring opportunities with TNDC could align with your experience and passion for community improvement.

Participate in Community Action Plans: The Tenderloin Community Action Plan, facilitated by SF Planning, focuses on neighborhood development and resident engagement. My insights from managing SROs could provide valuable perspectives in these planning processes.

Connect with Community Benefit Districts: The Tenderloin Community Benefit District (TLCBD) works towards enhancing the quality of life in the area. Experience in creating safe environments for residents could contribute to their initiatives.

Consider Advisory Roles: My practical knowledge could be beneficial in advisory capacities within city committees or boards focused on housing and community development. Engaging with local government or non-profit boards can amplify your impact on city-wide policies and programs.

Network with Community Leaders: Building relationships with other community leaders and attending local meetings can open doors to collaborative projects aimed at addressing housing challenges in San Francisco.

Business and/or Professional Experience:

Property Manager in San Francisco's Tenderloin District

Learning different systems to navigate via property management:

Yardi, Boston Post, One System, etc.

Working with the Continuum of Care program, HSH to assist with keeping the residents housed at the current property

Civic Activities:

I am a member of the following organizations:

Divas 2 Die 4 Inc - I am the National Business Manager (duties include planning of all National Events) Founded in 2005

National Council for Negro Women-Former Secretary (Golden Gate Section) organization was founded in 1935 by Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune

MzRuby Foundation Nonprofit Organization-CEO founded in 2020

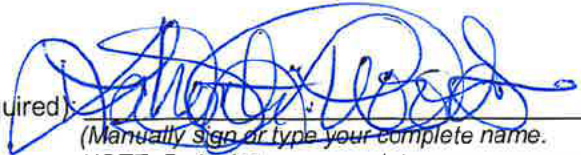
These organizations give to other organizations throughout the city. The volunteering is 1-2 days monthly. The volunteer examples:

PPE, blankets, food, books and school supplies to local schools and/or youth organizations.

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Date: 11/22/2024 Applicant's Signature (required):




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THIS IS AWARDED TO

LaShonti L. WOODS

For distinguished commitment in participating in the 10-week Code Tenderloin Community Health Worker program, and completing 80 hours of instruction in Client Centered Case Worker Training. Awarded March 28, 2024.



Donna Hilliard, Executive Director



Del Seymour, Founder





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LA SHONTI WOODS

**THE GOLDEN GATE SECTION IS HOSTING A WELCOME RECEPTION
IN CELEBRATION OF YOU OUR NEW MEMBER**

SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH, 2023 • 1:30 PM
PRIOR TO THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Zoom Meeting ID: 459 845 8829 • Pass Code: 861WTR or Phone 1-866-444-9171 • 4598458829# • *576034#

Questions Please Contact Karen McCoy, Membership Chair • (415) 272-5939 • karen_j_mccoy@yahoo.com

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Mission is to Lead, Advocate for, and Empower Women of African Descent. Their Families and Communities



Certificate of Completion

Mar 11, 2024

**This certifies that
WOODS, SHONTI
completed**

TNDC 2021 Microsoft Teams and One Drive Training

Certificate of Recognition

Lasnenti Woods

is awarded this certificate in recognition of

Work Ethic Initiative and Hardwork

this 19th day of April

in the year 2024.

Signed Tia Rans





 **Alison**
EMPOWER YOURSELF

CERTIFICATE

LASHONTI WOODS

has received this award for successfully
completing the course:

Essentials of Property Management Work



To verify:



31st October, 2024

Date of Award

5776-12680987
<https://alison.com/certification/check/ea27d2ef2f>

Maere Richardson
Director of Certification

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

THIS ACKNOWLEDGES THAT

Lashonti Woods

HAS ATTENDED 3.5 HOURS OF RESOURCE FAMILY TRAINING

Trauma Informed Parenting "Parenting in Oz" Part 1

Presenter: Rolf Van Leeuwen, M.S.W.

Maria L. Padilla

MARIA L. PADILLA, DIRECTOR OF TRAINING SERVICES

MARCH 18, 2023

DATE

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Trauma Informed Parenting "Parenting in Oz" Part 2

Presenter: Rolf Van Leeuwen, M.S.W.

Maria L. Padilla

MARIA L. PADILLA, DIRECTOR OF TRAINING SERVICES

MARCH 25, 2023

DATE

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Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications): 4 and 8

Full Name: Nancy Githoitho

Zip Code: 94115

Executive Director

Work Phone: _____ Employer: KIJIJI-AFRIKA

Business Address: 1290 Fillmore St Suite 108 Zip Code: 94115

Business Email: Nancy@kijiji-afrika.org Home Email: _____

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I am an Immigrant from Kenya. Am also a Citizen of the United States. I have been living in San Francisco for the last 10years and the United States for about 21 years. Am a mother of 2 boys who attend San Francisco School Unified School District. Lowell and Washington High. I live in the Fillmore District. I have worked as a property manager at Martin Luther King-Marcus Garvey Apartments. Have been an ED to 2 non profits. Limau Cancer connection and Kijiji-Afrika.

I have been homeless before. Out of my story, i decided to help the unhoused, especially families.

Business and/or Professional Experience:

-Worked as a Property manager for low income communities in San Francisco, where immigrants occupied the units. I know their struggle.
-Currently pursuing San Francisco to establish a Bureau of AFRICAN AFFAIRS.
-Started a Non profit for Africans in San Francisco, Kijiji-Afrika. The mission is to empower Africans in San Francisco with resources that help them seamlessly integrate into the City's rich tapestry.
-Welcomed the Kenyan President 2023 when he visited San Francisco, Tech innovations event.
-Currently planning for his Washington DC event.
-Ran a non profit that raised breast cancer awareness in black communities and Africa. Limau Cancer Connection.
-Featured in many global media outlets
-Estee lauder Fellow 2022
-Leadership Women of Color Scholarship
-Public policy advocate with Susan G Komen Breast Cancer Advocacy
-Member of NAACP

Civic Activities:

-Advocated and continue advocating for Africans in San Francisco.
- I started a Non -Profit that caters to the Africans in the Diaspora Community.
-Currently in the process of introducing a legislation to establish a Bureau of African Affairs.
-Welcomed the Kenyan President in San Francisco 2023 and our Kenyan Ambassador .
-Organized a Town Hall Meeting for Kenyans with the Consulate
-Represented People of African Descent at the United Nations 2023 in Newyork.
-Scheduled to represent Africans at the 3rd Confrence to be held on April 16-19th Swizerland in Geneva.
-Joined Dean Preston in Organizing the African Community to Rally against the closure of Safeways at the Fillmore.
-Representing Black African Mothers and their parental rights towards whats being taught in the classrooms
-Currently engaging the City of San Francisco for a San Francisco and Nairobi Sister City Partnership.

Have you attended any meetings of the body to which you are applying? Yes ☒ No ☐

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Date: **03/26/2024**

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