

BOARD of SUPERVISORS



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## Application for Boards / Commissions / Committees / Task Forces INSTRUCTIONS AND APPLICATION

San Francisco is a diverse City and County with a wide range of people and issues affecting it. In order to take advantage of the extensive experience and knowledge available throughout our communities, various Boards/Commissions/Committees/Task Forces have been established to bring that knowledge together. These groups and their membership requirements are established by legislation approved through the local, state, and/or federal government.

In addition to setting up the purpose and goals of the various groups, the governing legislation outlines the type of person - in terms of desirable skills and/or knowledge - who can contribute their knowledge and perspective. In this manner, a group of San Franciscans, who are representative of the City and County, can be active participants in addressing issues affecting the entire City and County.

If you are interested in serving the City and County of San Francisco, the following procedures are provided:

1. A list of vacancies and expected vacancies, with their qualifications, can be found at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, at the San Francisco Main Public Library, and online on the Board of Supervisors' website (<http://www.sfbos.org/vacancy>). Please review this list for positions of interest.
2. Submit an application ([http://www.sfbos.org/vacancy\\_application](http://www.sfbos.org/vacancy_application))  
*(List all of the appropriate seat number(s) and/or category/categories for which you qualify. We request applications be received ten (10) days before the scheduled hearing.)*

Applicants may also need to submit a Form 700, Statement of Economic Interests (<https://www.fppc.ca.gov/Form700.html>), along with their application for all bodies listed in [Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, Section 3.1-103\(a\)\(1\)](#).

3. If the seat(s) you are applying for is vacant and requires the Board of Supervisors' confirmation, the Rules Committee may schedule your application for review. Applicants should expect to appear before the Rules Committee to speak on their qualifications and answer questions during a public hearing.  
*(There are no set instructions on what you are expected to present to the Rules Committee; however, a brief description of how your qualifications distinguish you from other applicants, reasons for your interest in the subject, and/or a short summarization on why you would make a good candidate is appropriate.)*
4. The Rules Committee may or may not make a recommendation for appointment. If a recommendation is made by the Rules Committee, the recommendation is forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for approval. It generally takes approximately 15 days from the date the Rules Committee makes their recommendation, for the individual to become officially appointed.
5. Depending on the type of organization, a new appointee may need to take an Oath of Office.

If there are no vacancies, your application will be retained for one year. If any openings occur during this time, your application will be submitted to the Rules Committee for review.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Rules Committee Clerk at (415) 554-5184. If you require detailed information concerning the operations of a particular Board/Commission/Committee/Task Force, please contact the administering department directly.

(Applications must be submitted to [BOS-Appointments@sfgov.org](mailto:BOS-Appointments@sfgov.org) or to the mailing address listed above.)

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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Savitha Moorthy

Name of Board/Commission/Committee/Task Force: \_\_\_\_\_

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Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications): \_\_\_\_\_

Savitha Moorthy

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

CA 94542

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: Executive Director/ Nonprofit Profess

Tandem, Partners in Early Learning

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

1275, Fairfax Avenue, Suite 201, San Francisco 94124

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

savitha@tandembayarea.org

Business Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Pursuant to Charter, Section 4.101(a)(2), Boards and Commissions established by the Charter must consist of residents of the City and County of San Francisco who are 18 years of age or older (unless otherwise stated in the code authority). For certain appointments, the Board of Supervisors may waive the residency requirement.

Resident of San Francisco: Yes [ ] No [x] If No, place of residence: Hayward, CA

18 Years of Age or Older: Yes [x] No [ ]

Pursuant to Mayoral Order, members of boards/commissions are required to be Covid-19 vaccinated and attend in-person meetings.

Covid-19 Vaccinated: Yes [x] No [ ]

Pursuant to Charter, Section 4.101(a)(1), please state how your qualifications represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods, and the diversity in ethnicity, race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, types of disabilities, and any other relevant demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco:

I come from a quintessential modern American family. I am a South-Asian first generation immigrant, my biracial husband was raised by a Latina mother and a Native American father, and our son is Black. As the parent of a Black son, I am on a lifelong journey of learning how to show up as an ally and a co-conspirator who challenges systemic racism and especially anti-Black racism. I believe that American institutions must (and can) change so they can do better by my son and all the children who look like him, for whom their race determines their experiences and outcomes. Aside from being a parent of a young child, I am also an educator, a researcher, and a nonprofit leader working in early childhood education. My entire career has been dedicated to equity. My desire to serve on the Childcare Planning and Advisory Council is motivated by my interest in contributing to the work of improving the early care and learning infrastructure for children and families, my urgency to tackle systemic racism within our systems and institutions, and my commitment towards leaving the world a better place for our children.

**Business and/or Professional Experience:**

My first job in education was in a Montessori classroom, as a teacher's assistant and I have worked in early childhood education for most of my adult life. Aside from working with children, I have also taught adult ESL in a community-based setting, to parents and family members of newly arrived immigrant students. I am currently the Executive Director of Tandem, Partners in Early Learning, a community-based organization working at the intersection of social justice and early learning. Tandem partners with families and educators to co-create high quality early learning experiences that enable children to grow, learn, and thrive. Founded in San Francisco, Tandem collaborates with the school district, center-based early childhood education agencies, Family Child Care Homes, and Family Resource Centers to provide programs and services that promote early learning. In my role, I work closely with San Francisco's ECE leaders to identify community needs around early care and learning, and with my colleagues to design and implement programs that benefit children, families, and educators.

**Civic Activities:**

Since 2020, I have had the honor to serve on the Board of Directors for the 3rd Street Youth Center and Clinic, a Black-led, BIPOC-serving organization that provides holistic, wraparound services for transitional and adolescent youth in the city of San Francisco.

In addition to my work, where equity is a central concern, I am also active in my community. My service efforts have been directed towards our local school district where my son attends kindergarten, which enrolls ~18,000 students, the majority of who qualify for free and reduced lunch. At HUSD, I am on the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee, a body that helps oversee the district's use of funds from recently passed bond measures. I am also active on my PTA, organizing events that bring authors to school events, to interact with children as well as parent-led events to help build our community's capacity for understanding the financial picture of the school district and how we, as parents, can advocate for the best interests of students and teachers.

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

An appearance before the Rules Committee may be required at a scheduled public hearing, prior to the Board of Supervisors considering the recommended appointment. Applications should be received ten (10) days prior to the scheduled public hearing.

Date: 05/10/2022 Applicant's Signature (required): Savitha Moorthy  
*(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
NOTE: By typing your complete name, you are hereby consenting to use of electronic signature.)*

Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year. Once completed, this form, including all attachments, become public record.

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Appointed to Seat #: \_\_\_\_\_ Term Expires: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Vacated: \_\_\_\_\_