Linda Fadeke Richardson



Linda Fadeke Richardson is a land use and economic development expert with over 25 years in the public and private sector. She has been a champion of environmental justice, education, health and community revitalization, and her efforts have made the community a better place.

A Nigerian-born community advocate, Linda is President of ADR Continental Group, a full-service, woman-owned company specializing in land use planning, project management, community benefits administration, communications, workforce training, media, environmental education and sustainable development.

Linda is a former member of the Planning Commission, where she worked on the approvals of major signature City projects, most notably, Mission Bay, Giants Ballpark, several affordable housing and public works projects.

She served on the Commission on the Environment to implement the City's Sustainability Plan. During her tenure the first series of guidelines for Environmental Justice were developed for the City, most of which has become a national model. Miss Richardson's extensive work on sustainability and smart growth development, environmental justice is nationally known. She also led the community fight to close Hunters Point power plant in 1998.

In 2002, the former California Governor Gray Davis appointed her to serve on the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC). The State agency provides regulatory oversight over the Bay Area coastal development.

She was appointed by Mayor Gavin Newsom in 2006 to serve on the Human Rights Commission. As the Co-Chair of the Local Business Enterprise, she has worked with the minority-owned, and women-owned business entities and City Departments to address contracting disparities. As a result, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors has enacted policies to improve the business climate in San Francisco. While serving on the Civil Service Commission, and later as its President, Linda collaborated with labor organizations and City employees to develop policies for the Department of Human Resources on hiring, promotion, and workforce development.

She currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Treasure Island Development Authority.

Working with the diverse communities has been the highlight of her career, and she will forever value the team work, exposure, and opportunities to make the City a better place for all residents.

Currently, Linda Richardson is a board member of the Bayview Multi-Purpose Senior Center, and she sits on the boards of several women's political and business organizations.