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BOARDS & COMMISSIONS Application

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DATE	5/4/2022
BOARD OR COMMISSION	Housing Authority of the City of Pueblo
Contact Information	
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LAST NAME	Allen
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ARE YOU CURRENTLY EMPLOYED WITH	NO

THE CITY OF
PUEBLO?

OCCUPATION (or if
RETIRED, your
previous occupation)

Probation Officer

Questionnaire

Please complete the following general information.

1. Please list your
areas of
accomplishments that
you feel could assist
the mission of this
Board or Commission.

My current resume only highlights the past few years of my life. I also have experience in the apartment business. I managed a small 14 unit complex in California, for a private owner. Within a few months, the owners ask me to take on a second property of 45 units. After a year, I was asked to oversee the interior and exterior renovations for the 45 unit property. When my husband received a job offer in Alabama, I gave the owners my notice. They offered me a bonus to stay on until the renovations were completed. I accepted their generous offer and was able to see the renovations completed earlier than expected.

While living in Alabama, another apartment management opportunity presented itself. This time, it was as the Operations Manager of a 422 unit, new build, private luxury community called The Kenley. The Kenley was a gated community on a private lake. This community catered to the wealthier clientele, who found themselves between having sold their million-dollar homes while their new custom homes had not yet been completed. The largest unit was over 2,400 square feet with attached 2 car garages. The smaller units were furnished business rentals for executives moving into the area. This position involved great communication between residents, vendors, and staff. Since the corporate office was based in Houston, Texas, the ability to assemble a team of service oriented staff was imperative. Being able to meet client expectations and coordinate move-ins based on projected completion dates and make decisions as needed when those dates would have to be changed, gave me the opportunity to practice excellent customer service, while adhering to company policies and procedures.

I pride myself on over 40 years of outstanding customer relations experience.

I have a vast range of life experiences that have taught me how to de-escalate volatile situations, the value of respect for all, and to lead by example.

2. Why are you
interested in being
appointed to this Board

I am a success story! I want others to be able to say that as well!

I believe I have a unique perspective on housing. Due to

or Commission?

Domestic Violence, I found myself in a Domestic Violence shelter. When an apartment became available in the Sangre de Cristo community, my daughter, granddaughter, (also victims of Domestic Violence) and I were able to make a home. Satisfying this simple basic need allowed me to continue with my college education. I was able to graduate from the Respiratory Therapy program through Pueblo Community College. Unfortunately, before I escaped my abusive husband, I was permanently injured and unable to practice as a Respiratory Therapist. This meant starting over again.

I am proud to say, that I didn't give up! I finished the additional requirements necessary to transfer to CSU-Pueblo within a year. In May 2021, I graduated with highest honors, with dual Bachelor of Science degrees in Sociology and Criminology.

I began the next chapter of my life at T. I. Probation Services in Colorado Springs in January 2021, as an intern and upon graduation became a Probation Officer.

My family was moved into the Mountain View Townhomes last May. As a participant of another program, I was able to build some financial stability as I rejoined the workforce.

I am convinced that having secure housing was a major contributor to my success.

3. What Goals would you like to see this Board or Commission accomplish?

To change the stigma associated with living in public housing, through education, training and increased communication between residents and staff.

To build a sense of community and pride among neighbors.

To educate residents on available resources and emergency procedures.

Increase safety by encouraging positive relationships between residents and law enforcement.

Assist in implementing programs and/or policies to enhance the successfulness of transitioning from resident dependence to resident independence.

4. List any other items that might be useful in consideration for your appointment to this Board or Commission.

I served as a Board Member of the Pueblo Hispanic Education Foundation, as the recipient of the PHEF Board Scholar scholarship.

I have represented the students of the Colorado Community College System as a State student Advisory Counsel Vice Chair, during which time we successfully worked a bill through the State Legislative process.

I am committed to being a part of making Pueblo the best community in Colorado! And, I believe that is through stable

housing!

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Upload résumé,
references and/or other
pertinent information

[Catherine Allen Resume 2021.doc](#)

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CATHERINE ALLEN

EDUCATION

Colorado State University, Pueblo, CO

- Dual Bachelor of Science Degrees in Sociology & Criminology 2021

Pueblo Community College, Pueblo, CO

- Associate of General Studies, Transfer Degree 2019
- Associate of Applied Studies, Respiratory Care Practitioner 2018

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Colorado State University, Pueblo, CO

- Graduated Summa Cum Laude, 4.00 GPA
- Golden Key International Honour Society
- National Society of Leadership and Success, Sigma Alpha Pi Chapter

Pueblo Community College, Pueblo, CO

- President's List, 4.00 GPA
- Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, Alpha Rho Theta Chapter
- Colorado Community College System, State Student Advisory Council, Vice Chair

VOLUNTEERISM

Pueblo Hispanic Education Foundation, Pueblo, CO

- PHEF fundraising events

Pueblo Community College, Pueblo, CO

- PCC Panther Student Pantry volunteer/trainer
- PCC Scholarship Foundation fundraising volunteer

Sangre de Cristo Hospice Estate Store, Pueblo, CO

- Customer service, sales, and cashier

WORK EXPERIENCE

T I Probation Services, Colorado Springs, CO

- **Probation Officer** 2021 to Present
Probation supervision case management for 220 clients
Reports to 4th Judicial District, El Paso/Teller County Combined Courts
Compose court documents and appear before County and District Justices

Colorado State University-Pueblo, Pueblo, CO

- **Teaching Assistant** 2019-2021
Sociology Department, Aaron S. Johnson, PhD.
- **Student Affairs Assistant** 2019-2020
Part-time work study position

Pueblo Community College, Pueblo, CO

- **PCC Police Department Administrative Assistant** 2018-2019
Part-time work study position answering phones and dispatching officers as needed, directing visitors and students on campus, issuing IDs and parking permits.
- **STEM Center Receptionist** 2017
Part-time work study position greeting students and staff to the STEM Center.
- **Disability Resources Student Aide** 2016
Part-time student hourly note taker for a visually impaired student.
- **Student Mentor** 2016
Part-time work study position mentoring a class of math students. Motivating students through coaching relationships; referring students to resources, tutors and school organizations.

MILITARY SERVICE

California Air National Guard, Honorable Discharge, 1982

United States Air Force Reserve, (Inactive), Honorable Discharge, 1987