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## Solano Child Care Planning Council Membership Application

**Mission:** The mission of the Solano County Child Care Planning Council is to provide leadership and advocacy for the development of high-quality, accessible, and affordable child care programs for every child and family in Solano County.

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Child Care Planning Council is to assess and prioritize Solano County child care and development needs and develop and implement, as appropriate, plans to address those needs. The Child Care Planning Council is committed to ensuring that all children in Solano County have equal access to community services and support and experience high-quality, safe, healthy, and nurturing care and education. The Child Care Planning Council shall collaborate with public and private partners to maximize resources for child development.

The California Department of Education assigns the Child Care Planning Council various responsibilities and provides funding through an annual contract to support this work. The Child Care Planning Council members are appointed by the Solano County Board of Supervisors and/or the County Superintendent of Schools. The Council is responsible for carrying out its assigned tasks.

**Membership Expectations:** The office term is for two years from the date of appointment. Meetings are convened at least six times per year, usually every other month from 1:00–2:00 pm, with one or two meetings held in the evenings. Council members are expected to attend all regular meetings.

### **Membership Categories:**

Each of the 5 categories represented on the Local Planning Council has 3 positions:

**Parents/Child Care Consumers:** parents or persons who receive or have received child care services within the past 36 months.

**Child Care Providers:** persons who provide child care services or represent persons who provide child care services.

**Public Agency Representatives:** people who represent a city, a county, or a local education agency.

**Community Representatives:** persons who represent an agency or business that provides private funding for child care services or who **advocate** for child care services through participation in civic or community-based organizations, but are not child care providers and do not represent agencies that contract with the California Department of Education to provide child care and development services.

**Public/Discretionary Member:** people from any of the above categories or outside of these categories at the discretion of appointing agencies.



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Name: Yashica Simpson

Home Address: Phone:

Business Address: Phone:

Email (business or personal?)

Employer and Job Title: Marin Housing Authority

Applicants must work or live in Solano County, and exhibit:

- A strong commitment to advocating for increased quality early learning services.
-An ability to make information-based decisions.
-An ability to work in a team environment.
-An ability to work collaboratively with multiple LPC members.
-Excellent leadership skills.

Council Member duties include:

- Participate in a new membership orientation
-Attend LPC General Meetings (6 per year).
-Attend LPC Planning Retreat (August).
-Thoughtful and consistent response to concerns of the Board of Supervisors, County Superintendent of Schools, LPC Members, parents, child care providers, community-based organizations, and the public.

Membership Category: Check all categories under which you are applying for nomination. See the previous page for category descriptions.

- Child Care Consumer Child Care Provider
Public Agency Representative Community Representative

Demographic Information: The LPC is committed to ensuring geographic, ethnic, and gender diversity on the Council. Please complete the following:

In what part of the county do you work:

- Dixon Vacaville Fairfield Suisun Benicia Vallejo Rio Vista None

In what part of the county do you live:

- Dixon Vacaville Fairfield Suisun Benicia Vallejo Rio Vista None

- Male Female Decline to State

- White African American Hispanic/Latino Asian American/Pacific Islander

- American Indian

- Other

Languages Spoken Fluently:



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**Qualification Statement (Required):** Describe your community, professional, or personal experiences that enable you to provide leadership and work collaboratively with diverse groups of people. Please list specific contributions you will make to the work of the LPC. **We are unable to accept applications without qualification statements or without the signature and date below.**

Managing six low-income properties in Marin County, that enable me to provide leadership and work collaboratively with diverse groups of people. I have gained extensive experience in community management and support. As a volunteer for Big Brothers/Big Sisters and a foster parent, I am deeply committed to mentoring and fostering inclusive environments. Serving as a resident council member, I have a passion for implementing initiatives that bridge gaps and drive consensus.

My contributions to the LPC will include facilitating inclusive dialogues, implementing data-driven initiatives, and strengthening partnerships within the community. I have initiated and led various community projects, organizing diverse stakeholders to meet local needs, and ensuring all voices are heard and represented in decision-making processes.

In terms of cross-functional team leadership, I have managed teams in high-pressure environments, trained new staff, and cultivated a collaborative culture that enhances efficiency. My ability to communicate effectively across diverse cultural and educational backgrounds, utilizing my multilingual skills, has proven invaluable in bridging gaps in community settings.

Furthermore, I have built strategic partnerships by collaborating with non-profits, school systems, and local businesses to align goals and maximize resource allocation. These experiences have equipped me with the skills necessary to contribute significantly to the LPC's mission.

I understand this application will not guarantee me a position on the Local Planning Council. I will be informed of my status during each stage of the process.

**Applicant's Signature:** Yashica Simpson Date: 2/10/2026

**Please submit completed applications to:**  
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**Solano Child Care Planning Council Coordinator**  
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**or**  
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