

# City of London - Application for Appointment to a City of London Board or Commission

## Application

Please choose the Board or Commission you are interested in serving on: **LMCH**

## Contact Information

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## Experience and Qualifications

If you have experience on a London Board or Commission, please provide dates and details. (max. 3000 characters):

**When I lived in London from 2000 - 2009 I participated on a number of committees in London in my capacity as a Dean at Fanshawe College. These were the London Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Committee of London. I was also provided the Ambassador Award from the City in 2008.**

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Board or Commission? (max. 3000 characters):

**I am confident that my experience of over 40 years in Management, Executive and Senior Executive positions has given me a skill set that may be beneficial to London and Middlesex Community Housing. During my career I have developed leadership and management skills as well as strategic planning, community engagement, stakeholder engagement, public speaking, proposal development, financial management, budget development, project management of large infrastructure projects as well as human resources management.**

**I have directly supported Board of Governors for over 25 years and understand the difference between management and governance. I understand the role is to contribute to and approve strategic plans and provide oversight on achievements and milestones. That a board can play a key role in overseeing infrastructure projects to ensure timely and on budget results. I have also been responsible for annual operating budgets that have been in excess of \$40M and infrastructure projects in excess of \$40M and have provided clear reports on financial matters to various Board of Governors.**

**On a personal note I would like to mention that my family came to Canada when I was 12 years old and understand the challenges of moving to a different country firsthand. I became a single parent in my 30's and also understand the challenge that single parents face as they work to provide a home and a future for their children. Over the years I have volunteered with Single Parent Groups as well as sitting on Boards for a Women's Shelter.**

How will you support the work of a Board or Commission? (max. 3000 characters):

**I am willing and able to support the Board by ensuring that I attend meetings, am prepared for those meeting by reading and understanding the material beforehand. I will be available as needed to engage with the community and stakeholders or to support the staff in those endeavours. I will ask questions when I may need some clarity and will provide guidance and support if appropriate and needed. I will be willing to undertake any training or development as needed.**

Please describe additional experience, training, or community involvement that will help you in your role as a Board or Commission Member. (max. 3000 characters):

**During my entire career I have been involved with the communities that I have served. I have attached a succinct resume to this application but my community involvement has always been a point of pride for me. As a President, Vice-President, Dean or Chair of a post-secondary institution I ensured that i was engaged with stakeholders both inside and outside the of College.**

**For Example:**

**Met regularly with Mayor and Council in all the communities I served at least twice a year to report to them the programs and services introduced by the college, as well as facility upgrades or renovations and staffing changes. In my last College where I was President I held those meetings annually with over 50 communities.**

**I also have worked with Chambers of Commerce in London, Timmins, Fort McMurray, Slave Lake to ensure that our programs and services aligned with the needs of the communities. I would often present the programs and services offered by the college and invited feedback on any future needs the Committees may need.**

**I have worked with Economic Development Committees in the same communities to report on the College programs and services. In several instances I was able to support Economic Development initiatives by working on specific programs to meet the forecasted labour market demand.**

**I was appointed by the Premier of Alberta to sit on the Skilled Trades Taskforce of Alberta to realign the legislation and delivery of trades programming in Alberta. This was in 2020.**

**I have also been involved with and supported community groups such as Community Living London, Women's Shelters, Health and Safety Associations.**

Please tell us about your interest in being a part of the London Middlesex Community Housing board. Why are you interested in this particular opportunity? What do you hope to contribute, and how would you support the work of the London Middlesex Community Housing board?(max. 3000 characters):

**I have recently retired from a very long and rewarding career in Higher Education. I relocated back to London in 2020 as my family resides here and I lived in London for about 17 years. Since I have returned, and I know this is not limited to just London, but the challenge for housing as become a significant issue. At this time Community housing is more needed than ever before. I know that there are significant challenges to overcome and I am hopeful that i can contribute to expanded opportunities for housing projects. I have developed leadership and engagement skills that I hope can be put to good use to support the City of London.**

Please tell us about your educational background, professional credentials, or any other training which is relevant to this position. (max. 3000 characters):

**I have a Bachelor of Arts with a Specialization in Adult Education  
I have a Master of Arts with a Specialization in Leadership and Training.  
I have received formal training in areas such as:**

**Life Skills**

**Health and Safety**

**Financial Management**

**Curriculum Development**

**Program Development**

**Project Management**

**Governance**

Please describe any relevant work and/or lived experience you have. (max. 3000 characters):

**As a single parent many years ago I lived in a subsidized housing unit in Timmins, Ontario. At the time this was a godsend to me because I was a one income family, with daycare expenses and this allowed me to make ends meet. I bought a home after a year and was able to get into the housing market. Without that support I may not be where I am today.**

**I have been an Executive in Higher Education for most of my career and I have dealt with students who have had housing challenges, particularly students with families. In one of my Colleges we created a family student housing option that was hugely successful and enabled our students the opportunity to obtain their credential and start a career.**

**I have maintained a constant connection to students throughout my career as it can be easy to forget the challenges they face. I would meet with the student Council several times a year to ensure that i was aware of the challenges and we worked together to provide solutions wherever possible.**

I have also been involved over the years in achieving provincial and federal funding to support infrastructure needs. This often meant making a strong case for the need for the funding and relaying the positive impacts to the community. I often worked with a team to develop proposals, meet with various Ministry Staff, both provincial and federal, and obtain support from my communities. I have personally presented to Provincial Ministers and remained in close contact with elected officials in my regions. I have been successful in several occasions to receive provincial and federal funding for refurbishment or new builds.

My last project was a campus in High Prairie, Alberta with a Budget of about \$38M. We received provincial funding for the building project and federal funding to install solar and geothermal. It is now the only Net Zero building in Northern Alberta and utilized only thermal heat and solar electricity. The Building was completed in 2020.

Tell us about your involvement in any public or private sector boards, community involvement, or other experiences that are relevant to this position. Please describe the roles you played and the period of time you were involved.(max. 3000 characters):

**I think I have already provided an overview of my involvement with Boards and community involvement.**

**The only other thing that I can add is that I have had a good working relationship with Indigenous Communities throughout my career. During my career in Ontario and Alberta I maintained a strong relationship with the First Nations in our region and in Alberta developed relationships with the First Nations and Metis Settlements in my operating region.**

**As a College we hosted cultural events such as Round Dances, Metis Celebrations and even had a Cultural Museum in one of our campuses, funded by the College.**

If necessary, please provide any additional relevant information that is not captured in your previous answers.(max. 3000 characters):

**I am extremely interested in getting involved with the Community in London and I although I am retired I want to put my skills and abilities to good use.**

Attach resume or other document here, if needed:

Attach more files here, if needed:

## Confirmations

I declare the following: **I am a resident of London. ; I am at least 18 years old.; I am not a City employee or Council member.; I understand that my application and any attachments will be included on a public agenda that is published on the City website.**

To help inform our outreach activities, please tell us how you heard about this opportunity: (optional): **City Website**

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

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