APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO

Submit Date: Apr 24, 2025

COUNTY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Instructions

You may fill out this application on-line by tabbing between fields and selecting the green Submit at the bottom once complete.

If you prefer to submit a paper application you can select the Print button at the bottom of the page. Printed applications require an original signature and date noted. Any additional documents will need to be attached and then mailed to the address at the bottom of the form.

Must be a resident of Nevada County to apply.

Profile

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Youth Commission: Submitted

Incumbent?

○ Yes ◉ No

Rachelle
First Name

Zarate
Last Name

[redacted]
Home Address

[redacted] -
Suite or Apt

Truckee
City

CA
State

96161
Postal Code

Mailing Address (if different from residence)

Business Address (Optional)

Supervisorial District 1 through 5 (Available from Election Office, 265-1298)

☑ District 5

Time(s) available to attend meetings (days, evenings, etc.)

After school ends at 2:30

[redacted]
Email Address

Business Email Address

Rachelle Zarate

Mobile: [redacted]

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

Are you currently employed with the County of Nevada?

○ Yes ◉ No

Interests & Experiences

Experience: A resume, or additional sheets, may be attached containing any information that would be helpful to the Board in evaluating your application.

Education/Employment Experience

I'm currently a sophomore at Truckee High School and proud to be an honors student. I take school seriously and stay committed to doing my best because I know it's the foundation for my future. Over time, I've realized I can use my skills to help others too. Having lived in Truckee my whole life, I've seen some of the challenges that families from Mexico face, especially with language barriers. That inspired me to become a teacher assistant at the elementary school next door, helping younger students from Mexico adjust. Outside of school, I work at Coffeebar Bakery as a counter associate. I started in December 2024, and even though it was recent, I've already learned a lot about customer service and hospitality. I greet customers, help them with pastry selections, and handle transactions, which has helped me grow more confident and responsible.

Community Experience and Affiliations

Growing up in a small town has made me really value community, and I've come to see volunteering not as a requirement, but as something I genuinely enjoy. I started during the COVID-19 pandemic in middle school, helping my mom with outreach projects for the KidZone Museum. She created take-home activity kits so kids could still experience a little bit of the museum from home, and I helped put them together. Since then, I've continued to volunteer at KidZone events throughout the year. It's one of my favorite things to do because the museum has always felt like a second home, and now I get to give back. I've also helped out at my local Catholic church, where my mom teaches a first-year communion class. Since I've been thinking about becoming a teacher, it felt like a great opportunity to build new skills and see what teaching is really like.

List any other County boards, commissions, or committees on which you have served:

None

Other experience you feel would be helpful to the Board of Supervisors in making this appointment:

As a lifelong Truckee resident, I've grown up caring deeply about my community. I volunteer regularly with the KidZone Museum and am a teacher assistant at the elementary school, supporting younger students especially those who face language and cultural challenges. I also work at Coffee Bar Bakery, where I've developed strong communication and customer service skills. I'm currently involved in Model United Nations, where I practice public speaking and problem-solving, and Truckee North Tahoe Tech Teens, a hands-on program that's shown me how local technologies support our region in areas like healthcare, public safety, and aviation. These experiences have helped me become more confident, engaged, and eager to represent youth voices in our community.

References: Please list two references with telephone numbers

Craig Rowe [redacted] Ninel Hernandez [redacted]

Upload a Resume

Resume.pdf

Additional Attachments

Agreement

Applicants may be required by State Law and County Ordinance to file a financial disclosure statement as part of the appointment process. The form may be viewed at http://www.fppc.ca.gov. An Oath of Office will be required upon appointment. I have reviewed the Financial Disclosure Statement requirement.

☑ I Agree

Applications must be filed with:
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors - County of Nevada
950 Maidu Ave.
Nevada City CA 95959-8617.
This application is a public document.
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Rachelle Zarate

SKILLS

Bilingual, Hardworking, Determined, Responsible, Organzied

EXPERIENCE

TNT Teen Techs, Truckee — *Participant*

MARCH 2025 - PRESENT

- Introduces high schoolers to tech-related careers through hands-on experiences with local organizations.
- Helps students build real-world skills, explore technology in action, and prepare for future jobs through workshops.

Model United Nations Club, Truckee High — *Participant*

OCTOBER 2023 - PRESENT

- I have gone to conferences in Stanford, Claremont Mckenna, and Berkley where I've learned to improve my public speaking and problem solving skills.
- Learn important issues our Earth is facing and work with fellow delegates on solutions.

Assumption Catholic Church, Truckee — *Catechist Assistant*

SEPTEMBER 2024 - APRIL 2025

- Helped set up activities and facilitate the classroom.
- Had the opportunity to be in a classroom setting where I could help students through my faith.

EDUCATION

Truckee High SChool, Truckee — *Currently Enrolled*

AUGUST 2023 - JUNE 2027, Truckee, Ca

Currently an honors sophomore student.

AWARDS

ACMS Principas Humanitarian Award (2022-2023), Truckee High Honor Roll Certificate (2025), Optimum Hispanic Heritage Essay Contest Runner-Up (2024)