TARGET AREA REPRESENTATIVES PUBLIC NOTICE

Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission (Fresno EOC) is holding elections for Board Commissioner Representatives of low-income Target Areas A, D, & E, to serve for a two-year term commencing January 2024.

Fresno EOC is governed by a twenty-four-member Board of Commissioners. One-third of the board consists of public officials or their representatives, and one-third are members of business and community groups. The remainder must be democratically elected to represent low-income residents and groups. Representatives are a fundamental source of information on conditions and problems of poverty. Their participation and involvement on the Board, on its committees and at neighborhood levels are critical to Fresno EOC's efforts. Also important is their ability to help develop public and institutional understanding of, and support for, the programs -- and the positive effects those programs can have on the community. All board members serve on a voluntary basis.

CANDIDATES FOR TARGET AREA COMMISSIONERS

To qualify, candidates must be 18 years or older, a resident of the target area, and neither an employee of Fresno EOC nor a member of the immediate family of an employee of Fresno EOC. Qualified candidates must be individuals that are responsible, professional and capable; of good character and reputation; sympathetic to the mission and objectives of Fresno EOC; will act as a representative of the poor; and can govern the affairs of the Agency consistent with its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Interested candidates must complete and submit an electronic Representative Nomination Form along with documentation of your age and residency. The form and documentations must be submitted/postmarked by **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2023**, by mail to "Fresno EOC Target Area Nominations", Post Office Box 992, Fresno, CA 93714, via email by 11:59 pm to elections@fresnoeoc.org or in person by 5:00 pm at 1920 Mariposa Street, Ste. 300 Fresno, CA 93721.

ELECTIONS

Elections will be by mail-in or in-person ballot only. Ballots will be mailed out starting in October as <u>registration forms</u> are received and validated. Completed ballots must be postmarked by **Thursday, November 30, 2023** or submitted in person by 5:00pm to the Fresno EOC Internal Audit office at 1920 Mariposa Street, Suite 300, Fresno, CA 93721. Emails and faxes will not be accepted. Results of the election will be posted after December 7, 2023. The newly elected Commissioners will be seated at the January 2024 Board Meeting.

REGISTRATION TO VOTE

To qualify to vote in the Fresno EOC Target Area Representative Elections, you must be 18 years or older and a resident of the target area in which you wish to vote. To register the electronic <u>Voter Registration Form</u> must be submitted by **WEDNESDAY**, **NOVEMBER 8**, **2023**, or postmarked and mail to "Voter Registration", Post Office Box 992, Fresno, CA 93714, via email by 11:59 pm to elections@fresnoeoc.org or in person by 5:00 pm at 1920 Mariposa Street, Ste. 300 Fresno, CA 93721.

For further information, contact Karina Perez at (559) 263-1012 or e-mail at elections@fresnoeoc.org
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