

# Multnomah County Vector\* Control and Enforcement Advisory Committee

*\*Vectors are animals/insects that can transmit disease to humans*  
**Interest Form**

**Purpose:**

Acquire diverse community perspectives and recommendations on the full range of Vector Control and Enforcement activities and liaison to general environmental health advisory committee.

**Please call for information (Ben Duncan, 503-988-3663 x22439#)**

**We are happy to take your application information by mail or email. Send your completed application to:**

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Vector Control and Enforcement Advisory Committee  
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Place of Employment: Multnomah County

1. The Multnomah County Vector Control and Enforcement Advisory Committee will provide a community perspective and recommendations to vector planning and response. What interests or activities of yours may pertain to vectors and enforcement of codes that relate to community livability?

       I bring to the committee experience and connection to the homelessness populations and the organizations who serve these populations. I will be able to assist the Committee in evaluating how various activities will affect or impact homeless populations, how problems are being manifested in homeless shelters, transitional housing and other places that serve homeless populations and will be able to assist the committee, where appropriate, in doing outreach and education to these populations in our community.

Appointments will be staggered for one two and three year terms.

2. What is your preferred time commitment to this committee? \*It may not be possible to assure your preference. No preference, whatever is needed

One Year \_\_\_\_\_ Two Years \_\_\_\_\_ Three Years \_\_\_\_\_

3. How long have you lived in Multnomah County?

Less than a year \_\_\_\_\_ 1-5 Years \_\_\_\_\_ 5-10 Years \_\_\_\_\_ 10+ Years \_\_\_XXX

4. What is your occupation? If retired, what was your former occupation?

\_\_\_\_\_ Senior Program Development Specialist for Multnomah County Department of County Human Services, where I serve on the County Housing Team working on housing, homelessness and anti-poverty programs

5. Please describe your educational training or background: I have a masters degree in public administration

6. Are you a member of any groups or organizations? Please list and describe your involvement. Recreational: Oregon Road Runners Club, Running Chicks in Pdx and Portland Galloway Training Program

7. Have you had any previous experience with consensus committees or decision making?

Yes XX No \_\_\_\_\_ If so, please describe: Extensive experience in government agencies, committees and task forces both as a member and a facilitator; numerous trainings in facilitation, leadership, consensus building and communication; training and education in mediation

8. What perspectives or special skills do you feel you bring to the Advisory Committee?

Due to my work in homelessness for the County I am familiar with all the organizations who work with the homeless populations, am able to speak to the issues affecting the homeless population and am able to advise the committee on outreach and education to these groups in furthering its work

9. What do you feel are the most important Environmental Health issues affecting Multnomah County?

In my area, bed bugs are an emerging issue that everyone is concerned about, from the shelters to the apartment complexes. While bedbugs don't transmit diseases, the stress they are putting on vulnerable populations and the incidents of people becoming homeless because of infestation makes it a serious problem for our community.

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10. Membership will entail participating in committee work, usually about 2 hours total per month. Are you able to make the time commitment necessary to participate at this level?  
[ XX ] Yes [ ] No

11. Please provide personal or professional references:

Mary Li, Manager, Community Services Division, ext. 26787

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## **Multnomah County Vector Control and Enforcement Mission Statement**

The mission of Multnomah County Vector and Nuisance Control (MCVNC) is to promote community livability by managing vector-borne diseases through surveillance, suppression of vector populations and code enforcement to maintain and support those actions. MCVNC works in cooperation with surrounding communities and other contracting entities to address emerging vector-borne disease issues.