# REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY



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#### APPLICATION TO THE REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

#### **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Name:	Phone: Home:	
Address:	Work:	
City, Zip: Email:		
Are you currently serving on a board/comm		
Employment experience:		
Community and organization volunteer exp	erience:	
Education:		
Other experience or training:		
other experience of training.		

#### **COMMISSIONER QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS**

Commissioner appointments to the Regional Housing Authority have certain statutory and regulatory qualifications and requirements that must be met by candidates. These qualifications and requirements include but are not limited to:

- 1. If applying for the Tenant Commissioner position, you must be a resident at one of the properties owed/managed by the Regional Housing Authority
- 2. Able to participate in public meetings and willing to make necessary time commitment.
- Able to work as a team member with other commissioners and Executive Director on building consensus towards the best stewardship of scare public resources to address local housing needs.
- 4. Prior public commission or committee experience is desirable.
- 5. Knowledge of local community and interest in affordable housing issues. Specialized knowledge of real estate, construction, landlord/tenant, finance, or Social Services is beneficial.
- 6. Cannot have any Conflict of Interest with any housing programs (See Code of Conduct attached)







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## **SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE Regional Housing Authority- Board of Commissioners**

Name:	Phone: Home:
Address:	
City, Zip:	Email:
Please answer the following que	stions (use additional sheets, if necessary):
Describe why you are interested (RHA)	in becoming a Commissioner of the Regional Housing Authority
Describe some of the issues facir	ng RHA and indicate how you would address them.
the best of my knowledge. I	the above statements made on this supplemental questionnaire are true to understand that any incorrect statements made may disqualify me from ousing Authority Board of Commissioners.
Signature	Date
and your résumé (or a detaile	upplemental questionnaire. Please mail or hand deliver this document d list of your educational background, employment history, and hall Housing Authority, 1455 Butte House Road, Yuba City, CA 95993.





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### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

#### I. PURPOSE

To protect the integrity of the Regional Housing RHA (RHA) information and services and employee efforts and to reduce the risk of litigation.

#### II. SCOPE

This policy applies to all employees, appointed officials and agents.

#### III. POLICY

Employees, appointed officials and agents are expected to devote their best efforts to the interests of the RHA and the conduct of its affairs. The RHA recognizes the rights of employees, appointed officials and agents to engage in activities outside of their employment which are of a private nature and unrelated to RHA business. However, a policy of full disclosure will be followed to assess and prevent potential conflicts of interest from arising.

No employee, appointed officials or agent of the RHA shall participate in selection, or in the award or administration of a contract if a conflict of interest would be involved. Such a conflict would arise when (i) the employee, appointed officials, or agent, (ii) any member of his/her immediate family, (iii) his/her partner, or (iv) an organization which employs, or is about to employ, any of the above, has a financial or other interest in any contract selected for award.

a. Immediate family is defined as persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption, e.g. husband, wife, daughter, son, brother, sister, grandparents, grandchildren, cousins, etc. Family also includes significant others defined as person(s) with whom you have a close personal relationship, e.g. live-ins, fiancées, etc.

Note that it is impossible to outline all possible or potential conflicts of interest or the appearance of such conflicts. All employees, appointed officials and agents are required to exercise sound and reasonable judgement in determining whether a potential conflict, actual conflict or prospective conflict may exist which may have an influence on his or her decisions or actions as an employee of the RHA, or which could give the appearance of conflict.

If potential, actual or prospective conflict situations arise, an employee shall inform his or her department head and complete a Statement of Conflict of Interest.

Failure to disclose in writing such information may, after consideration of all pertinent facts, result in disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

#### IV. PROCEDURE

- A. The following circumstances and conditions are not all-inclusive, and are set forth to guide employees, appointed officials and agents:
  - 1. Employees, appointed officials and agents have an obligation to devote their full time to employment with the RHA.
  - 2. No employee shall be employed in a dual employment capacity within RHA. That is, no one employee shall hold two RHA positions whether the positions are part-time, full-time or temporary.
  - 3. No employee shall engage in outside work that will interfere with his or her primary job with the RHA. Nor will any employee engage in any activity of a nature that is in some way hostile or adverse to the RHA.
  - 4. No employee of the RHA shall accept a retainer, commission, consulting fee or any other fee arrangement or remuneration from any job or service that may be a conflict without full written disclosure to the Executive Director. Full written disclosure must occur prior to any arrangement that may be a conflict. In the case of the Executive Director, full written disclosure shall be made to the Board of Commissioners.
  - 5. No employee of the RHA shall neither solicit nor accept cash, gifts or favors of substantial value from clients, contractors, potential contractors or vendors. All gifts of substantial value must be declined politely. Employees, appointed officials and agents who receive consumable gifts shall share the gifts amongst all employees, appointed officials and agents. Depending upon the circumstances, exceptions to this provision may be granted only in situations where the financial interest is not substantial, or the gift is an unsolicited item of nominal intrinsic value.
  - 6. No employee, appointed officials or agent who exercises or has exercised any function or responsibilities with respect to assisted activities, or who is in a position to participate in a decision making process or gain inside information with regard to such activities, may obtain a personal or financial interest or benefit from a RHA activity, or have an interest in any contract, subcontract, or agreement with respect thereto, or the proceeds thereunder, either for himself or herself or for those with

whom he or she has family or business ties, during his or her tenure. Such conflict would arise when a financial or other interest in a firm selected by RHA for award is held by:

- a. An employee, appointed officials, or agent involved in making the award;
- b. His/her relative (including father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister or grandchild).
- c. His/her partner; or
- d. An organization which employs, is negotiating to employ, or has an arrangement concerning prospective employment of any of the above.
- 7. No outside work shall be done during an employee's work hours and no RHA facilities, equipment, labor or supplies shall be used to conduct this outside activity.
- 8. RHA equipment, supplies, materials (including excess materials and materials to be disposed) are property of the RHA. No RHA property shall be used for an employee's personal use or outside work activities.
- An employee must disclose in writing any acquisition of or retention of ownership interest in property leased or offered for lease to the RHA or subsidized by the Section 8 or successor programs.
- 10. An employee, appointed officials or agent must not rent to a Section 8 client.
- 11. No employee shall make an employment decision regarding a relative or supervise a relative (including father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister or grandchild).
- 12. Managers must identify and address cases that can have a potential or appearance of a potential conflict of interest.

- 13. A special case management plan will be produced to address each case that has a potential or appearance of a potential conflict of interest.
- B. Any questions regarding a possible conflict of interest or outside work should be discussed with the immediate supervisor, manager, Executive Assistant/HR Coordinator or Executive Director.
- C. Failure to disclose in writing information related to any of the above points may lead to disciplinary action up to and including termination. Disclosure must take place once an employee has knowledge of a possible conflict of interest. Disclosure must take place for each occurrence.
- D. A questionnaire dealing with conflict of interest will be completed annually by all employees, appointed officials and agents covered by the scope of this policy as a continuing reminder and control on this important subject. However, an employee must disclose any potential conflict of interest any time they have knowledge of a potential conflict. A questionnaire must be completed under any circumstances that may present a potential conflict.

#### V. Administration

- A. Any employee, appointed officials or agent of the RHA shall report violations of this Code of Conduct to his/her supervisor, manager, Executive Assistant/HR Coordinator, Executive Director or the Board Chair and the Executive Director shall report any cases of possible conflict of interest concerning himself or herself in writing to the Board Chair.
- B. There will be no retaliation against any party who makes a good faith report or complaint concerning violations of this Code of Conduct, regardless of whether it is ultimately determined that such violation has in fact occurred. Nor will there be any retaliation against any party who provides information in the course of an investigation into alleged violations of this Code of Conduct.
- C. All RHA's supervisors/manager have a responsibility to be sensitive to and deal with violations of this Code of Conduct. This responsibility includes monitoring all relevant work activities and contacting a higher-level manager, Executive Assistant/HR Coordinator, Executive Director or the Board Chair, if it is reasonably believed that a violation of the Code of Conduct has occurred. Any such report shall be investigated regardless of whether a formal report or complaint has been made.

#### VI. Dissemination

A. Any employee, appointed officials or agent of the RHA shall be informed of this Code of Conduct when he/she is initially retained by the RHA, and on an annual basis thereafter.

#### VII. Contact Information

Grantee Legal Name: Regional Housing Authority

DUNS #: 621882174

Address: 1455 Butte House Road, Yuba City, CA 95993

Phone #: (530) 671-0220

Email Address: g.becerra@regionalha.org

Authorized Official and Title: Gustavo Becerra, Executive Director

# REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Emplo	yee Name: Job Classification:
STATE	MENT OF EMPLOYEE AND FAMILY PARTICIPATION IN HOUSING RHA ASSISTANCE
PROG	RAMS
wife, o	diate family is defined as persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption, e.g. husband daughter, son, brother, sister, grandparents, grandchildren, cousins, etc. Family als es significant others defined as person(s) with whom you have a close personants in the significant others defined as personants with the significant others defined as personants with the significant others.
1.	Do you, your spouse, or any member of your immediate family (parents, spouse children, siblings, grandparents, grandchildren, significant other or domestic partner engage in any outside business that may be a conflict of interest, or a potential appearance of a conflict of interest?  Yes No
	If yes, please list the individual(s) involved, their relationship to you and the nature of the business.
2.	Are you an applicant on the RHA's Waiting List? Yes No
3.	Are you currently receiving housing assistance from the RHA?  Yes No
4.	Do you currently own or have an interest in property that is being subsidized by th RHA? Yes No
	If yes, please list the property address(es) and the name(s) of any person(s) with whor you own the property.

	Are any of your immediate family members applicants on the RHA's Waiting list? Yes No
- -	f yes, please list name and relationship of those persons.
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	Are any of your immediate family members participants in any of the RHA's programs? Yes No
- -	If yes, please list name and relationship of those persons.
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	Do any of your immediate family members own or have an interest in any property being subsidized by the RHA?
_	Yes No
-	If yes, please list the property address and name and relationship of those persons.
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	Are you related to or have a close personal relationship with any other RHA employees, appointed officials or agents?
-    -	Yes No If yes, please list name and relationship of those persons.
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(	Other (please explain):
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# STATEMENT OF EMPLOYEE AWARENESS OF PROPER USE OF RHA MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

I understand that RHA materials including RHA equipment, supplies, materials (including
excess materials and materials to be disposed) are property of the RHA. I also understand
that no RHA property shall be used for an employee's personal use or outside work activities.

Signed:		Date:
	Employee's Signature	

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST REVIEW**

### (To be completed by Manager)

Note: If the answer to any of the questions on the Statement of Conflict of Interest is "Yes", there is a potential conflict of interest, the Manager will indicate required follow-up action.

No apparent conflict of interest.	
Potential or potential appearance of a	conflict of interest.
There is a conflict of interest.	
DESCRIPTION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST, POTE APPEARANCE OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST:	ENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST OR POTENTIAL
(Manager's Initials)	(Executive Director's Initials)
FOLLOW-UP ACTION:	
CASE MANAGEMENT PLAN:	
	Employee's Signature/Date
	Executive Director's Signature/Date

Certification: I certify that all of the above statements made	e on this application are true to the best of m
knowledge. I understand that any incorrect statements ma	ade may disqualify me from appointments to
the Board of Commissioners of the Regional Housing Authori	ity.
Signature	Date

Thank you for your application. Applications are only good for one year. Your application will be considered by the Regional Housing Authority if a vacancy exists and you meet the requirements. Please mail or deliver your completed application to Regional Housing Authority, 1455 Butte House Road, Yuba City, CA 95993.