

AREA COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

The Department of Neighborhoods maintains the database for the Area Commission members in the City of Columbus. The information on this form is used to process the Mayor's appointment and ensure timely and accurate distribution of meeting notices, training opportunities, and other City activities. **Please complete all sections of the form with information about your recently elected/appointed commissioner within seven (7) days of the election/appointment. After completing and signing this form, please return it, along with the appointees resume and/or biography to your Neighborhood Liaison via email.** Please contact your Neighborhood Liaison with any questions or comments.

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Sharon Ware, resident of Thunderbird Acres (MAC)

I have been an engaged community advocate for Thunderbird Acres Neighborhood Association for over twenty years, serving in the role of community information officer and interim president. Her basic role has been in providing support in community asset building, marketing and communication to nonprofit and civic groups. I have been presenter to national and regional conferences on community engagement and communication values for nonprofits.

My current employment is Assistant impact Director with the Neighborhood Partnership Center of United Way of Central Ohio, she manages and produces nonprofit and community engagement courses targeted at grassroots organizations

I have built community collaborative structures to increase effective services between nonprofits, City of Columbus, Metropolitan Library System, Ohio State University, Otterbein University a local business. I coordinate re-entry program, Citizen Circle of Central Ohio which provides support to newly released individuals. I was also one of the founding members of the Neighborhood Best Practices Conference in Central Ohio that meets annually for neighborhood groups to network and share best practices in meeting community challenges. She serves as the chair of the Midwest Task Force Presbyterian USA; Self-Development of People grant program that administers nationally over \$600,000 yearly.

In addition to my current position, I serve on committees of, Mideast Community Collaborative, a community advocacy board, and The Walnut Ridge Initiative, a program to provide afterschool programming. I hold a Masters of Communication and Marketing from Franklin University and Nonprofit Management certification from Columbus State Community College and is certified as a mediator through Capital University.