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## **Members of the Community Have the Opportunity to Join a Resourceful College Committee**

PALM DESERT, CA (August 21, 2024) - The Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) at College of the Desert is inviting area residents to apply for vacant positions for fall 2024. The three available positions are:

- College Support Organization Representative
- Senior Citizen Group Representative
- Taxpayers Representative

The CBOC ensures that bonds are allocated exclusively for land acquisition, construction, and equipment, with no disbursements towards salaries or pay increases. The primary responsibility of the CBOC is to conduct an annual audit of the costs associated with the voter-approved Measure B (2004) and Measure C (2016) bond proceeds.

The committee is comprised of at least seven members, appointed by the Desert Community College District Board of Trustees, and is tasked with upholding Proposition 39 and its bylaws. Appointees serve a two-year term, renewable for up to three terms. As part of their commitment, all members are required to sign an ethics statement. Members of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee serve without compensation.

"Members play a crucial role in ensuring the prudent use of bond funds and maintaining transparency," said John White, Executive Director of the Bond Program and Facilities Planning. "Transparency is a key focus because the CBOC publicizes information about expenditures through an annual report."

The deadline to apply is Thursday, August 29. Application forms are available online at: [www.collegeofthedesert.edu/community/facility-plan/committee-memberapplications.php](http://www.collegeofthedesert.edu/community/facility-plan/committee-memberapplications.php). Applicants must be at least 18 years old and reside in California. Candidates cannot be employees of the College, union representatives, officials of the Desert Community College District, or affiliated with the district in any capacity, such as vendors, contractors or consultants.

Interested applicants are encouraged to apply by mailing their submissions to:

The District Bond Program and Facilities Planning Office, Attention: John O. White at 43-500 Monterey Avenue, Palm Desert, CA 92260. Or interested applicants can email their submission to: [jowhite@collegeofthedesert.edu](mailto:jowhite@collegeofthedesert.edu).

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