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## **City of Hayward accepting applications for appointment to new Community Advisory Panel to the Chief of Police**

**HAYWARD, Calif.**, Feb. 14, 2019—The City of Hayward announced today it is accepting applications from residents interested in serving on a new Community Advisory Panel to the Chief of Police.

The purpose of the Community Advisory Panel is to improve trust and strengthen understanding between the Hayward Police Department and Hayward community members by creating a structure and venue for open and honest dialogue on police-community relations.

The Panel will be made up of eight to 14 members selected by the Mayor, City Manager and Police Chief from a pool of candidates recommended by the City Council and inclusive of the Hayward community's diverse demographics, perspectives, and lived experiences.

Panel members will be expected to attend regular quarterly meetings starting in spring 2019, and commit additional time to create and carry out a program of community outreach.

Applicants chosen for potential appointment must agree to a confidential cursory background check. Immigration status is not a consideration for Panel membership.

Interested residents are encouraged to complete and submit to the Office of a City Clerk an application for the Community Advisory Panel prior to March 15.

Applications are available from the Office of the City Clerk at Hayward City Hall, 777 B Street, online at <https://www.hayward-ca.gov/cap>, and by request by calling (510) 583-4400.