



# OCTA Board of Directors Public Member Application

## OCTA BOARD SEEKS APPLICANTS FOR PUBLIC MEMBER

The Orange County Transportation Authority is the county transportation planning commission, responsible for funding and implementing transit and capital projects for a balanced and sustainable transportation system that reflects the diverse travel needs of the county's 34 cities and 3.2 million residents. With the mission of keeping Orange County moving, this includes freeways and express lanes, bus and rail transit, rideshare, commuter rail, environmental programs and active transportation. OCTA is governed by an 18-member Board of Directors (Board), which sets policy for OCTA. Voting members include five members of the Orange County Board of Supervisors, ten members representing Orange County cities, and two Public Members. A non-voting member, representing the California Department of Transportation, also sits on the Board. OCTA is seeking applicants for one Public Member seat for a four-year term.

### APPLICANT CRITERIA AND EXPECTATIONS

Candidates must be residents of Orange County and should have some knowledge of transportation, finance, and OCTA priorities, and an interest in representing the public. A person who is currently serving as an elected official within the County, an elected official of any agency or special district within the County, or an elected official of the County of Orange, and who has held any of those positions in the past four years, are not eligible to apply.

Board Members are responsible for attending public Board meetings on the second and fourth Monday of every month (except holidays), and various committee meetings, special meetings, workshops, and events. These meetings occur during business hours, and most are held at the OCTA Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Orange. The monthly anticipated time commitment is between 15 to 20 hours per month, with the majority of them during business hours.

Board compensation is \$100 per meeting, per day, with a maximum per month of \$500 for OCTA business activities, including meeting, events, etc.

### HOW TO APPLY

Applications are due by 5 p.m. on February, 26, 2021, and applicants must complete an application (online, scanned or mailed copy), including a letter of interest and a resume (including any related Board or committee experience).

The online application can be found at [www.octa.net/publicmember](http://www.octa.net/publicmember), or applicants can choose to download a copy, print and scan and email to the Clerk of the Board at [boardofdirectors@octa.net](mailto:boardofdirectors@octa.net), or mail it to:

*Orange County Transportation Authority  
Attn: Andrea West, Interim Clerk of the Board  
550 South Main Street  
P.O. Box 14184  
Orange, CA 92863-1584*

If you have any questions, please contact Andrea West, Interim Clerk of the Board at [boardofdirectors@octa.net](mailto:boardofdirectors@octa.net) or 714-560-5676.



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## APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC MEMBER

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<b>Name:</b>		<b>Email:</b>	
Street		City	
Zip Code			
<b>Residence Address:</b>			
Street		City	
Zip Code			
<b>Home Phone:</b> ( )		<b>Cell Phone:</b> ( )	
<b>Present Employment Status:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Employed</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Unemployed</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Retired</b>			
<b>Present Occupation:</b>		<b>Employer:</b>	
<b>Race (optional):</b>		<b>How long have you lived in Orange County?</b>	
		year(s)	
<b>Are you currently an elected or appointed officer of any public entity?</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>
<b>If so, please explain.</b>			
<b>Please describe your ability to translate facts, trends, and external realities into strategy. For example, environmental, equity, and governance issues are now a top priority and an area where any board candidate should be knowledgeable and be able to provide direction. (Attach sheet if necessary)</b>			
<b>In what transportation-related activities have you been involved?</b>			
<b>What specialized skill or expertise would you bring to the OCTA Board?</b>			
<b>Please describe any relevant leadership experience, including an understanding of the complex challenges of leadership.</b>			



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Please describe your understanding of the legal and other responsibilities of a public service agency within the context of the organization’s responsibility for transportation planning, finance, project delivery, and operations under the umbrella of public transportation.

**EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND:**

Attach your resume, including any related Board or committee experience

**LETTER OF INTEREST:**

Attach a letter of interest, outlining why you are interested in this position

**APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 26, 2021**

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I hereby declare the information provided in this Application for the OCTA Board of Directors Public Member is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that my statements may be verified, and I give permission to do so.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

I am an applicant for the office of public member of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Transportation Authority. I agree that if, at any time in the next four years, I solicit or accept any campaign contributions, either directly or indirectly, in support of my possible candidacy for any elected office, or if I file as a candidate for any elected office, then I will immediately resign the office of Public Member of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Transportation Authority in the event I have been appointed to that office.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

OCTA is an equal employment opportunity employer that recruits, hires, and promotes qualified people without regard to race, color, religion, creed, ancestry, national origin, age, sex, pregnancy, gender, gender identity and/or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, medical condition, disability, genetic information, military and veteran status, or other legally protected status.