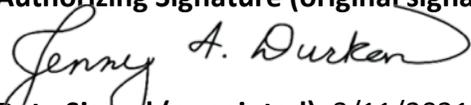




# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> Anjelica Valenzuela		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> Seattle Youth Commission		<b>Position Title:</b> Commissioner
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Appointment</b> OR <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>	<b>City Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> City Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<b>Term of Position:</b> 9/1/2019 <b>to</b> 8/31/2021  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>	
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> Haller Lake	<b>Zip Code:</b> 98125	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Background:</b> Instead of me writing about them, I have chosen to let their words speak for themselves:  "I am particularly interested in human rights, climate change, homelessness, and education. Human rights is a big topic to me because I am a Hispanic female who has been discriminated against throughout my life and I have heard the stories of others as well. I want to make sure that people of color throughout Seattle know their voices are heard and that they are being represented. Along with that, climate change is a huge deal to me to ensure the quality of our future and the wildlife's quality of living. I am also passionate about homelessness as it is a growing problem in Seattle. I have seen how packed streets have been getting and I want to help acknowledge and repair this issue. Even if it is just by informing others and spreading awareness. Finally, I am interested in the education system because I have seen how public school has differed from private school and I have been in multiple different communities to understand the issues throughout schooling."		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b>  <b>Date Signed (appointed):</b> 3/11/2021	<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> Jenny A. Durkan Mayor of Seattle	

\*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.

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**Collector:** Web Link 1 (Web Link)  
**Started:** Tuesday, November 03, 2020 6:54:24 PM  
**Last Modified:** Tuesday, November 03, 2020 8:50:19 PM  
**Time Spent:** 01:55:54

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**Q1**

Name

Anjelica Valenzuela

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**Q2**

Please provide your contact information.

Street Address

[REDACTED]

City, State

seatac, wa

Zip Code

[REDACTED]

Phone Number

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

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**Q3**

What is your age?

14

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**Q4**

Tell us where you go to school.

School Name

lakeside private high school

Grade Level

9

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**Q5**

Why do you want to become a member of the Seattle Youth Commission?

As someone who was born and raised in Seattle I have seen a lot of the uniqueness, the abilities, and the diversity of the Seattle area. However, along with that, there is a noticeable need for improvement and new ideas, which isn't necessarily a negative thing. I want to be able to introduce new ideas to the Seattle community as well as help make a noticeable change.

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**Q6**

What are the issues in your community that you are passionate about and why?

I am particularly interested in human rights, climate change, homelessness, and education. Human rights is a big topic to me because I am a Hispanic female who has been discriminated against throughout my life and I have heard the stories of others as well. I want to make sure that people of color throughout Seattle know their voices are heard and that they are being represented. Along with that, climate change is a huge deal to me to ensure the quality of our future and the wildlife's quality of living. I am also passionate about homelessness as it is a growing problem in Seattle. I have seen how packed streets have been getting and I want to help acknowledge and repair this issue. Even if it is just by informing others and spreading awareness. Finally, I am interested in the education system because I have seen how public school has differed from private school and I have been in multiple different communities to understand the issues throughout schooling.

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**Q7**

What do you hope to gain from this experience?

I hope to gain more experience. I want to be able to further advance my group skills, public speaking skills, learn from others, and listen to other's opinions. I want to be able to learn from those with more experience than be and also learn from new people that have different perspectives, ideas, and ways of life than me. The opportunity to work with elected officials is an amazing way to learn from others and advance my education of the legal system and experience in the community.

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**Q8**

What do you think makes your perspective unique to others?

I believe my perspective is unique because I have experience, determination, and empathy. I have participated in black lives matter, gun control, and women's rights protests/ marches. I have also been the lead in planning a walkout in my school after a group of others as well as I realized the discrimination happening against the Muslim students at my school. Along with that, I interned at Klondike National Park to travel throughout Seattle, create a personal exhibit, and learn about the culture and diversity in Seattle while working in groups. I have also gotten funding from organizations to create homeless bags and distribute them throughout the Greater Seattle. It was very inspiring and motivating to deliver these bags directly to the Homeless population and get to hear their stories. I have also been an active member of Rainier Scholars. They have continually educated me on the oppression of people of color and the economic disadvantages that they face. Finally, I have also attended a week long leadership conference in Boston to further advance my leadership qualities and skills. With experience comes knowledge and ability. That is why I believe I can contribute to the Seattle Youth Commission.

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**Q9**

The City of Seattle's Race and Social Justice Initiative advances racial equity in city government and the community. What are your ideas about applying race and social justice principles as a Seattle Youth Commissioner?

I am an active advocate for the hardships that people of color face, especially since I have had first hand experiences. Race is a huge part of the majority of peoples everyday lives. I have noticed a few amendments in response to George Floyd's death which I believe will better our community. Racial justice is something that we need to keep working on all they way from education, housing, and employment.

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**Q10**

**Monday, October 12th**

SYC interviews will be scheduled for October 12th and 13th. Which of these days are you available? \*Interviews will be held on the phone or another virtual platform.

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**Q11**

Reference #1

Name	<b>Justina Cochran</b>
Phone	██████████
Email	██

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**Q12**

Reference #2

Name	<b>Khalid Omer</b>
Phone	██████████
Email	██

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**Q13**

Reference #3

Name	<b>Yael Tellez</b>
Phone	██████████
Email	██

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# Seattle Youth Commission

15 Members: Pursuant to Ordinance 125029, 15 members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms:

- 7 City Council- Appointed
- 8 Mayoral- Appointed

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
2	M	2	1.	Member At-Large	Abdiweli Abdi	9/01/2019	8/31/2021	2	Mayor
	F	5	2.	Member At-Large	Ahana Roy	9/01/2019	8/31/2021	1	Mayor
			3.	District #2	Vacant	9/01/2019	8/31/2021		City Council
	F	NA	4.	Member At-Large	Angelica Valenzuela	9/01/2019	8/31/2021	1	Mayor
	F	5	5.	District #4	Katherine Kang	9/01/2020	8/31/2022	2	City Council
	F	2	6.	Member At-Large	Edhil Haid	9/01/2020	8/31/2022	1	Mayor
	F	5	7.	District #6	Eleanor Cename	9/01/2020	8/31/2022	1	Mayor
	F	5	8.	Member At-Large	Elsa Assefa	9/01/2020	8/31/2022	1	Mayor
			9.	Member At-Large	Vacant	9/01/2019	8/31/2021		City Council
	M	1	10.	Member At-Large	Kevin Jackson Hu	9/01/2019	8/31/2021	1	City Council
	F	5	11.	District #5	Samara Wijesekera	9/01/2019	8/31/2021	1	City Council
			12.	District #7	Vacant	9/01/2019	8/31/2021		City Council
	M	2	13.	District #1	Diego Escame-Hedger	9/01/2020	8/31/2022	1	City Council
	F	6	14.	Member At-Large	Leah Scott	9/01/2020	8/31/2022	1	Mayor
	M	2	15.	District #3	Lincoln Hilliard Wilmore	9/01/2020	8/31/2022	1	Mayor

## SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

	SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)		
	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	2	6											
Council	2	2											
Other													
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>											

### Key:

\*D List the corresponding Diversity Chart number (1 through 9)

\*\*G List gender, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary O= Other U= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.