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Are you a resident of Multnomah County? Yes

Which Multnomah County Library do you use most? Central

Please help us understand your interest in serving on the Library Advisory Board by sharing why you are applying?

I view the library as one of the most important assets in our community. The library enriches our culture and provides a pathway to new and better opportunities for all residents. With new technologies and continued political and financial challenges facing libraries across the country, I am interested in helping the Multnomah County Library face these challenges.

Personally, I regularly use the library for reading for pleasure, as a resource for achieving personal and professional growth and to become a better more informed citizen.

As a parent, I introduced my daughter to the library through the Book Babies program at the Hillsdale branch when she was 3 months old. She made extensive use of the library's reference materials in researching school reports. I have seen in my daughter a remarkable awareness of the world for an eight year old child and a tremendous imagination which I believe is due in large measure to her interaction with the library.

Professionally and personally I am committed to assisting the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community. Through my previous employment in the affordable housing industry, I know that the services provided by the library can have a positive impact on the lives of those who are trying to break the cycle of poverty.

What attributes in particular would you bring to the board?

As a public finance professional I bring an understanding of the financial environment in which the public entities operate. I have specific expertise in planning and financing public sector capital improvements that can help inform the library when these needs arise.

As a credit analyst for US Bank and with Standard & Poor's, I analyzed the financial well being of public entities ranging from the American Falls Library District in Idaho to the State of California. These experiences provide me with an understanding of the legal, financial and economic challenges faced by the Multnomah County Library.

Within the public finance field my focus has been on the financing of capital improvements. As an investment banker with Dain Rauscher (nka RBC Capital Markets) I worked with public entities in planning for, structuring and executing the financing capital improvements. Some of the local entities I worked with include the Beaverton and Riverdale School Districts and George Fox University.

As my experience has been with public and nonprofit organizations, I understand the tension public and between meeting the needs of the community and preserving financial stability and welcome the opportunity to provide advice to leadership.

--Employment/volunteer activities--

--Activity #1--

Dates (From/To): Sept. 2008 to present

Employment/volunteer activities: Portfolio Manager at US Bank

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Government Banking

--Activity #2--

Dates (From/To): June 2008 to present

Employment/volunteer activities: Housing Committee -
Community

Partners for Affordable Housing

If you have a resume, please upload a copy.: <https://multcolib.org/sites/default/files/webform/LibraryResume.pdf>

--References--

--Reference #1--

Name: Sheila Greenlaw-Fink

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--Reference #2--

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Race: Caucasian

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