

**Attachment C**  
**Applications & Letters of Interest**

03/01/2021

Isla Vista Recreation and Park District,

My name is Brian Patton, and I am a Sociology and Global and International Studies double major here at the University of California Santa Barbara. This is a letter of intent which is for the purpose of information that I would like to fill the seat of Vice Chair which as currently opened due to a recent resignation. I have years of experience and am crafty in politics in general where I still have a lot to learn in the way of going with the flow. Isla Vista Recreation and Park District seems like a good place to learn and get things done at the same time. I have been involved with community-based organization since 2007 and was a board member of the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council in 2011. I am now onboard the Arleta Neighborhood Council as of May 2021. I feel that it would benefit both myself as well as the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District upon myself filling this seat. My priority would be to document and remove all of the graffiti from the Isla Vista area and make sure that it is on record with law enforcement. This is how to clean the community up from the ground up in these current times. Please consider me for Vice Chair.

Thank you,

Brian Patton

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Third District - Joan Hartmann

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**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Isla Vista Recreation & Park District: Submitted

**Reference 1 Name**

Caroline Menjivar

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**Reference 1 Occupation**

City of Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti East Valley Area Representative

**Reference 2 Name**

Emma Taylor

**Reference 2 Address**

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**Reference 2 Telephone**

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**Reference 2 Occupation**

California State Assembly District 46 District Director

**Reference 3 Name**

Daniel Eyal

**Reference 3 Address**

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**Reference 3 Telephone**

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**Reference 3 Occupation**

Former Global Studies Major at UCSB-Former Los Angeles City Council Field Representative and current student of Law at Harvard University

**If you are now, or have ever been employed by the County of Santa Barbara, please list the department in which you worked, your title, and the dates you were employed.**

No

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**Interests & Experiences**

**Please explain why you are interested in serving, and what experience you bring to the Committee. Attach additional documentation as necessary.**

I enjoy helping the community out as much as I can and I have been active in my community for as long as I can remember. The meeting rooms are my home.

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I first became a member of the Knights of Columbus Van Nuys Council 3148 in 2007 where I served as an officer. I became a board member of the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council back in 2011 where I got my first time experience as a public official and played a major role in the Van Nuys Centennial Celebration in 2011 I made places to commemorate historic locations by the Neighborhood Council and one of the is visible on the Van Nuys Country General Store on Van Nuys Blvd, and another one on the Baird House in Van Nuys as well as several more which I may want to go back and help install one of these days since the Van Nuys airport has one which I should follow up on one of these days. I became focused on the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 817 in Panorama City in 2018 where I became the liaison between the American Legion and the City of Los Angeles when it come to public events as well as other veterans affairs. I am currently a Sociology and Global Studies Double major here at UCSB and have decided to study the History of Art and Architecture for my minor. I maintain a 3.7 GPA. I have agreed to fill Community Interest Representative at the Arleta Neighborhood Council which should begin on May 5th which is the Neighborhood Council where my American Legion Post is located. Since I will be spending most of my time here in Santa Barbara it would be a pleasure and an honor to join your board.

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## Demographics

### Ethnicity

Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

### Gender

Male

  
Date of Birth

### Education Completed:

AA in Administration of Justice Los Angeles Valley College AA in Sociology at Los Angeles Valley College Will complete a bachelor in Sociology at the end of this current Spring quarter at UCSB. Will complete a minor in the History of Art and Architecture in Spring 2022 Will Complete a bachelor in Global Studies at UCSB in Summer 2022 City of Los Angeles Community Police Academy Graduation 1/9 CERT Class certifications

### Please Agree with the Following Statement

**I agree that upon submission of this application all information provided is a matter of public record, and is subject to disclosure.**

I Agree \*

# Brian Patton

## Objective

My priority is to obtain a position on a board or committee with an organization that will allow me to become a part of their team. My goal is to secure an internship which will allow me to apply my knowledge and experience to the fullest capacity for our organization and especially the community. I am flexible and an enthusiastic individual that enjoys learning new skills and mastering all tasks performed.

## Skills

Responsible / Reliable / Dedicated / Multi-Tasker / Self Motivated / Positive Attitude / Organized Office, Telephone and Computer Skills / Driver / Data Entry and Billing Skills

## Experience

**UCSB The Associated Students (ASUCSB) Event Safety Assistant 10/23/2019 – 12/14/2020**

- providing a safe environment during events
- assisting the Event Safety Coordinator during events

**UCSB Student Apartments Community Council (SACC) Representative 10/23/2019 – 03/24/2020**

- Sierra Madre Village Building Representative
- Attending weekly organization meetings
- Organizing events
- Setting, breaking down, and attend to events

**Los Angeles Homeless Service Authority LACD4 Volunteer 01/22/2019 – 01/24/2019**

- 2019 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count
- Volunteered and worked with other community members
- Took a homeless count of a community area
- Took tally and reported data

**LAVC Computer Commons Lab Valley Glen, CA Lab Assistant 8/31/2015 - 8/24/2016**

- The basic operations of the Computer Commons Lab
- Assisting students with computer software and hardware needs
- Assisting students with questions about campus services and locations

- Shutting down the computer lab

**City of Los Angeles Los Angeles, CA Inspector Reservist / Poll worker**

**3/03/2015 & 3/19/2015**

- Set up and breakdown of polling place
- Assisted voters
- Dropped off supplies at the collection depot

Greetings IVRPD Board Members,

Thank you for taking the time reading my letter. I ask you to please consider me to serve on the Board of Directors along with you. It would be a great honor for me to serve with a dynamic organization such as IVRPD.

My name is Kim DuFore, and here is a little background information about myself. I have been a permanent resident of Isla Vista since 2011, and share a rented apartment in a converted frat house with my spouse and cats. I am 56 years old, originally from Florida, and have worked most of my adult life in the service industry. Before COVID forced my employer, Santa Barbara Airbus, to shut down, I worked as a customer service agent and reservationist. My background in working with the public has taught me some valuable lessons and one of the most valuable lesson learned is that the needs of individuals vary, as much as individuals vary themselves.

Our community here in Isla Vista is as varied as it is vibrant. As I spend time in our parks, I am struck by the importance of protecting and enhancing these treasures for everyone's use. I personally like to play the disc golf course, hang out, nature watch, and socialize with friends and neighbors in the parks. Meanwhile, I see others participating in what they enjoy in the same parks as well.

Now I would like to make my views and goals clear, so that you can decide if I will be an effective member of the IVRPD Board.

I am hopeful that things will continue to improve regarding the pandemic situation. I sense that everyone is excited and getting ready for better times, so the parks are soon going to be used even more. The past year has created a renewed appreciation of outdoor activities, and a strong need for public areas for communal events and activities. The parks are getting use and that use will increase.

Satisfying such a wide variety of people and needs is certainly a challenge, and this is where I would like to offer my help. I support realistic, sustainable, solutions that meet our diverse population's expectations and needs. I view myself as a creative idea person with a knack for bridging gaps. If you select me for this position, expect candid, honest, and unbiased dialog from me.

If given this opportunity, it will be a privilege to serve the Isla Vista community. I will do my best to ensure that the legacy of the Isla Vista Recreation & Park District and the parks managed is kept with integrity, with an emphasis on protecting the past, as well as working toward future betterments for all in a positive and constructive manner. Again, thank you for taking the time to read this proposal.

Sincerely,

Kim DuFore



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Isla Vista Recreation & Park District: Submitted

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**Reference 2 Name**

Samantha Onnen

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## Interests & Experiences

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## Demographics

### Ethnicity

Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

### Gender

Female



Date of Birth

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I Agree \*

Kathryn Murray . all pronouns . [REDACTED]

Dear Directors of the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District,

This is my statement of interest regarding my wish to join the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District board. I am Katie Murray (all pronouns). I am a seventh generation Santa Barbarian. The majority of my childhood was spent right outside of Isla Vista in the family student housing apartment complexes. We lived there as long as was possible per their policy and then even longer after my mother became their RA. Both of my parents were students at UCSB. My mother then worked at UCSB for most of her career. All in all we spent a lot of time at the local festivals in the parks over the years. I loved I.V. as a child. The walkability of the place reminded me of a town in miniature. One of my favorite things about Isla Vista was and is that it is full of live music. Currently I work as a lab assistant at UCSB at the Neuroscience Research Institute. I love the cool temperatures of living and working on the coast and the peace that the ocean brings me in the summer when it's hot. I still love attending the live festivals in the parks but now I love bringing my daughter.

I have a 2010 UC Santa Cruz Environmental Studies B.A. and a Peacemaking and Permaculture Design Certificate from the Regenerative Design Institute so I have a background in environmental policy and habitat restoration as well as garden/food forest design. The peacemaking part of my certificate means that I was lucky enough to have had Chief Jake Swamp, who was the faithkeeper for the Haudenosaunee, be one of my teachers right before he passed. The story he shared of the Great Law of Peace of the Haudenosaunee/Iroquois Confederation is always with me.

I have a lot of experience putting together activities for preschool age children including working in Santa Barbara parks at a forest preschool and I would love to bring some of those ideas to the local parks as well. As a parent I have treasured spending time particularly at Fortuna park and the Camino Corto Open Space especially because as a child I would spend time walking past that area on walks with my afterschool program from the University Children's Center.

Currently I am a member of the nine-person Eco Vista Co-coordinating Action Team and expect to be more and more connected with them into the future, writing grants, designing new projects, and if a recent grant proposal comes through, one of the core co-organizers facilitating groups to work toward a climate action plan and community plan for the design of Isla Vista.

As a parent I am very interested in being part of the Youth and Family Committee because I would love to make the parks as accessible to working families as possible. I am familiar with many of the struggles and I would like to create programming with that in mind.

I am also interested in being on the policy and ordinance committee so I can understand the full extent of the parks' potential to be utilized by all members of the public.

I am planning to continue my education through classes with the Women's Economic Ventures Program and would love to apply what I learn there about accounting to the board's finance committee.

Being a union contracted employee I think I have an important perspective when it comes to the personnel committee that I would like to share.

I am a super big fan of the free box and would love to join the board in order to push the board to consider creating a paid position to monitor the free box in the memory of Michael Bean.

I'd like very much to have an opportunity to give back to my community. I hope to hear from you soon, Katie Murray

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**Reference 1 Name**

John Foran

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**Reference 1 Occupation**

Professor of Environmental Studies and Sociology

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**Reference 2 Name**

Josephine Nguyen

**Reference 2 Telephone**

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**Reference 2 Occupation**

Lab Manager of Denise Montell's Lab at the Neuroscience Research Institute

**Reference 3 Name**

Tony Barbero

**Reference 3 Address**

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**Reference 3 Occupation**

Permaculturist

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**Interests & Experiences**

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I am a member of the nine-person Eco Vista Co-coordinating Action Team where I am writing grants, designing new projects, and where I will be one of the core co-organizers facilitating groups to work toward a climate action and community plan for the design of Isla Vista. Currently we are working with the Isla Vista Recreation and Parks District to install a food forest in Estero Park. As a parent I am very interested in being part of the Youth and Family Committee because I would love to make the parks as accessible to working families as possible. I am familiar with many of the struggles and I would like to create programming with that in mind. I have a lot of experience designing activities for preschool aged children. I am also interested in being on the policy and ordinance committee so I can understand the full extent of the parks' potential to be utilized by all members of the public. I have a strong interest in law. My educational background is in public policy. I finished in Environmental Studies at University of California Santa Cruz. I am planning to continue my education through classes with the Women's Economic Ventures Program and would love to apply what I learn there about accounting to the board's finance committee. Being a union contracted employee I think I have an important perspective when it comes to the personnel committee that I would like to share. I am a super big fan of the free box and would love to join the board in order to push the board to consider creating a paid position to monitor the free box in memory of Michael Bean. Moreover I would love to see the parks be utilized to have more events like swap meets and farmer's markets where we could support small businesses and generate revenue for the parks.

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UC Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, CA Environmental Studies Major Graduated: Spring 2009 George Washington University, Washington DC Semester in Washington Program Spring 2006 Regenerative Design Institute Peacemaking and Permaculture Design Certificate September 2010 Honors and Awards Native American Political Leadership Program Scholarship for the Semester in Washington Program Spring 2006

[Kathryn L Murray s resume 1 .pdf](#)

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[Kathryn Murray s IVRPD statement of interest 2 .pdf](#)

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## Demographics

### Ethnicity

American Indian/Alaskan Native Aleutian

### Gender

Nonbinary or third gender

  
Date of Birth

### Education Completed:

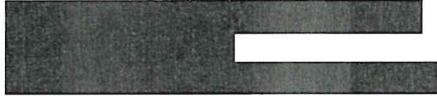
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Kathryn L. Murray



#### Education

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Semester in Washington Program Spring 2006

Regenerative Design Institute Peacemaking and Permaculture Design Certificate  
September 2010

Rape Crisis Center Hotline Operator Training 2004

#### Honors and Awards

Native American Political Leadership Program Scholarship for the Semester in Washington  
Program Spring 2006

Gila River Indian Community Tribal Scholarship, 2004-2005, Fall 2006- 2007

California Arts Scholar, Recognized by Congresswoman Lois Capps and California State  
Assemblymember Hannah-Beth Jackson, June 2004

#### Employment

Member of Eco Vista Co-coordinating Action Team January 2021- current Eco Vista  
wrote grants, conducted research, engaged in outreach to the community, attended meetings,  
helped prepare and create the Isla Vista Food Forest

Lab Assistant October 2018- May 2021 Neuroscience Research Institute  
made fly food, packed fly food, unpacked vials and bottles, washed dishes, autoclaved pipette  
tips, glassware and waste

Substitute Teacher April 2018-current The Learningden Preschool  
set up activities, supervised activities, cleaned, mediated conflicts

Outdoor Classroom Specialist July 2015- April 2018 The Learningden Preschool  
planned activities, bought supplies for activities, set up activities, supervised activities,  
cleaned, mediated conflicts, supervised children who do not nap during their resting time and  
free play

Assistant Preschool Teacher August 2014 - July 2015 The Learningden Preschool  
Greeted children, set up activities, changed diapers, helped children use the bathroom,  
served snack, mediated conflicts between children, supervised children, led activities, led  
songs and games, led afternoon circle time, stepped in as lead teacher in her absence,  
cleaned

Preschool Teaching Assistant September 2013-May 2014 Wild Roots Forest School, Santa  
Barbara, CA Supervised children, prepared and served snack, assisted with songs and  
games

Preschool Teacher, Summer 2011- August 2013 Little Woods Preschool, Santa Barbara, CA  
Supervised children, cleaned



Gallery Attendant, Summer 2011 Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, Santa Barbara, CA greeted visitors, answered questions, checked the condition of the museum when it opened

March 15, 2021

Statement of interest for the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District board position

To whom it may concern:

I am currently studying political science at Santa Barbara City College and I will be getting my associates degree at the end of next year. I still haven't decided on where I will transfer but UCSB is a strong contender. Politics has always been an interest of mine and when I started taking classes at school I knew it was right for me. My family moved to Isla Vista when I was two years old and I've lived here for the past 17 years. I am the oldest in my family, I have a sister in high school and a brother in Jr. High. For my high school community service hours I did most of mine at the St. George Youth Center in Isla Vista. I was a part of their leadership group and was president for two years. I helped develop ideas for our community events, presented budgets to IVCRC, was a part of the I'm a Student Too campaign, I even presented to the IVRPD when proposing a mural project in Estero Park. Being a part of the leadership group helped me discover my love for leadership and being a part of creating change in my community. I was able to develop my public speaking skills as well as my communications skills with the general public.

I am interested in this board position because the parks department has the ability to affect how one perceives and engages with Isla Vista. I'm a big advocate of safe community events and bringing together the three communities in Isla Vista, the families, long-time residents, and UCSB students, it creates awareness of each other and lets them interact with one another in a safe, fun space. I've only ever had positive interaction with the IV Recreation and Park Department when having our community events such as Celebrating the Kids of Isla Vista and I hope to create the same positive atmosphere I experienced when volunteering at the youth center.

I look forward to hearing back from you and the opportunity to talk further about the position and what the department wishes to accomplish this year. I am available Monday - Thursday anytime after 3pm and all day Friday at \_\_\_\_\_ or anytime through email \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your consideration,

Briseida Martinez

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Isla Vista Recreation & Park District: Submitted

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**Reference 1 Name**

Leonor Reyes

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**Reference 1 Telephone**

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**Reference 1 Occupation**

St.George Youth Center Director

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**Reference 2 Name**

David Marchetti

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**Reference 2 Telephone**

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## Reference 2 Occupation

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Zen Paradise Marketing Director

## Reference 3 Name

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Francesca Sen

## Reference 3 Telephone

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## Interests & Experiences

**Please explain why you are interested in serving, and what experience you bring to the Committee. Attach additional documentation as necessary.**

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I am interested in serving on the recreation and parks department board because I think that a big part of how an outsider views a town and its community depends a lot on its physical appearance and parks. When looking at that the IVRP is doing and all the community events they have been hosting is something that I would love to partake in. Making Isla Vista feel like a safe place for all their residents, families, elderly and other long-term residents, not just the college students, is a very important thing to do and IVRP has been doing just that. When doing my community service hours in high school, I initially volunteered at the St. George Youth Center to just get them done, but I fell in love with helping others and putting on events that bring joy and a safe, fun space for all community members to partake in. When volunteering I was able to present a mural idea in front of the IVRPD as well. At my young age I don't have as much experience in government or taking on big responsibilities but I am willing to learn and work with others to get the best results possible.

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I don't have many years being a part of the workforce but I have been able to learn how to be in a leadership role. I was president of the St. George Youth Center teen leadership group where I lead a group of 10 teenagers and helped organize and supervise community events. These events were able to run smoothly because of good leadership and communication throughout the entire team. I was also assistant manager three days a week while working at the United Family Thrift Store and learned valuable skills on how to manage money and organize people to run the store efficiently and effectively. At my current job I worked alone initially but I now have a coworker who I have to supervise and quality check all our work to create the best products that represent what the company is offering. I am currently on my second year at Santa Barbara City College where I am studying political science, a topic that I enjoy learning about and am hoping to end up working in the government, helping others.

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**Demographics****Ethnicity**

Hispanic

**Gender**

Female

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Date of Birth

**Education Completed:**

Two years at Santa Barbara City College - ongoing

**Please Agree with the Following Statement**

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To the Isla Vista Parks Board,

My name is Thea Neushul and I am running for the parks district board vacancy. I am an Isla Vista resident and a junior at UCSB. I care a lot about this community, but unlike most students, this is my home. I have lived here for most of my life. It definitely helps to understand the perspective of longtime residents and children as well as the student population. If elected, my focus will be on the recreation side of IVRPD.

I will bring my knowledge and experience in local aquatics programs to the District. In particular, I want to introduce Isla Vista's children to the Third Grade Swim Program that operates as a partnership between the South Coast Community Aquatics Center, Santa Barbara School District, and UCSB. I went through the program when I was a third grader and worked as a volunteer instructor while attending Dos Pueblos High School.

Over the past two years I continued to instruct for the Third Grade Swim program while working as a lifeguard at the UCSB Recreation Center. I think it would be extremely beneficial to introduce the Isla Vista children to the Third Grade Swim Program. I am already in touch with the Third Grade Swim founders, who have expressed interest in partnering with IVRPD, the IV Youth Project, and Goleta Union School District to bring Third Grade Swim to IV. Our community is surrounded by water and swimming is essential for the safety of IV school students. Drowning is the second leading cause of death among children under 14 years of age and is particularly deadly in communities of color. Third Grade swim offers students the opportunity to learn a healthy life skill while also visiting UCSB and appreciating the educational opportunity that is steps away from their homes.

I grew up playing in Isla Vista's parks and have hands on experience with the ongoing habitat restoration on Devereux Slough. I am very familiar with what IVRPD provides my community. That said, my chief interest is in working with the recreation side of the Parks District and using my lifelong interest and connections with local aquatics to create new, life saving, opportunities for young Isla Vistans.

Sincerely,  
Thea Neushul