
You can be involved!

Our programs are operated by volunteers comprised of concerned residents like you.

To participate, request an application by completing the form below.

I would like to join the Phoenix Human Relations Commission's efforts to build a better city. I would like to volunteer in the following areas:

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Awards Program**
- Faces of Diversity Brown Bag Series**

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Phoenix Human Relations Commission



Vision: A community inspired and strengthened by the richness of its diversity.

Mission: To promote respect and understanding among all groups by eliminating discrimination throughout the city of Phoenix.



City of Phoenix
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY DEPARTMENT



A Community Inspired by the Richness of Its Diversity

The Phoenix Human Relations Commission is a 17-member advisory board appointed by the mayor and City Council. It advises the City Council on human relations issues and assists in implementing the city's policy against discrimination. The commission operates or supports programs designed to promote positive intergroup relations.

Membership

Members serve three-year terms. These terms are staggered, allowing a turnover of one-third of the seats on an annual basis.

Membership applications are available at phoenix.gov/citygovernment/boards/apply/index.html or by calling the Equal Opportunity Department at 602-256-4128.

Meeting Schedule

The commission meets bimonthly on the third Monday at 5:00 p.m. at the Fire Administration Building Great Room, 150 S. 12th Street. The commission is staffed by the Equal Opportunity Department. Meetings are open to the public. The commission invites interested residents to join in working on its activities and projects.

Programs and Events

Martin Luther King Jr. (MLK) Awards Program

The program honors individuals who have made our city a better place through their dedication to human and civil rights. Commissioners and volunteers select the winners of the annual Calvin C. Goode Lifetime Achievement Award and the MLK Living the Dream Award. They also coordinate with the Arizona Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Committee on the annual MLK Awards Breakfast.

Faces of Diversity Brown Bag Series

The series features dynamic people telling their stories of diversity in our community – stories on race, ethnicity, gender issues, disability awareness, religion and more. Presenters range from community activists, civil rights experts and human services professionals to artists, authors and poets.

The monthly events provide an opportunity for city employees and the community to learn and enjoy diverse facets about our community in an entertaining and informative setting.

Community Forums on Race Relations

The forums address timely and relevant issues that educate and inform participants about discrimination and racism and the impact such practices have on people.

Regional Unity Walk

The Human Relations Commission helps to coordinate the annual Regional Unity Walk in partnership with the Regional Human Relations Commission Exchange to raise public awareness against racism and prejudice. Elected officials, city executives, commissioners and residents from Phoenix, Chandler, Gilbert, Mesa, Scottsdale and Tempe participate in the annual walk.
