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**First Name**

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**Board, Commission, Committee**

Juneau Commission on Aging

**Current of Prior Experience on CBJ Boards/Commissions/Committees**

Juneau Commission on Aging - Member 2023, Chair 2024  
Juneau Commission on Aging Grant writing Volunteer 2021-2022  
Founding member of the Southeast Regional Eldercare Coalition as an outcome of JCOA activities

**Reasons for Applying**

I volunteered with the Juneau Commission on Aging before joining the Commission in 2023, then was subsequently elected Chair in 2024. In the last year, the JCOA has actively identified its priorities and tried to gain more visibility with the Juneau Community. To that end, we initiated a website, a platform of priorities, brochures and signage. We support the concept of seniors being of significant value to the community with data gleaned from previous senior surveys and AKDOL data. We have presented to Conferences and other organizations about the value of seniors in community and the need for 1) Universal Housing, 2) Recreation and Socialization for Elders and 3) Age Friendly Planning. The JCOA continues to pursue the implementation of activities and mechanisms to ensure seniors may age in a healthy manner in the community they love.

**Qualifications**

My career was dedicated to Social Services via positions that served children, at risk adults, people with disabilities and elders. My professional career included being the Executive Director of a non profit serving disadvantaged adults (and implementation of the first Welfare to Work Wraparound Program in SE) and working at Alaska DHSS (Public Assistance, Office of Children's Services and Vocational Rehabilitation). Early in my career, as a contractor, I developed trainings for Foster Parents and Home Health Aides.

More importantly, for the last three years, I have been the primary for my 96 year old mother who experiences dementia and is now in nursing care.

Other qualifications include:

Bachelor of Education, University of Alaska Major: Social Sciences Minor: Fine Arts

Recipient: Phi Delta Kappa Scholarship, Alaska Teacher's Association Scholarship, Chancellor's List and Dean's List

Alaska Type A Teaching Credential: 1989-1998

Graduate Coursework: Organizational Behavior, Computer Technology, and Financial Management for Non-Profits,

Advanced Educational Psychology

**Civic Activities, Memberships or Non-profits Involved With**

Much of my experience serving on Non Profits and other organizations is dated - I retired in 2011 and fully enjoyed that role for several years. Upon my return to volunteer public service in 2021, I wrote grants to fund and was a founder for the Southeast Regional Eldercare Coalition (SREC) and subsequently served on the SREC Steering Committee until 2024.

**Working with a Group**

My career has primarily been dedicated to serving as a manager of local and statewide services. All of my positions required the ability to work within a group, as well as independently; produce quality work; communicate with internal and external stakeholders; develop and monitor programs; create tools for training or materials to present information; plan and manage resources, budgets and grants; and creatively do more with less in compressed timeframes.

**Meeting Schedule and Attendance**

yes

**Date of Birth (Optional)**

██████/1952 65+ Seat

**Ethnicity (Optional)**

White

**Gender (Optional)**

Female

**Acknowledgment/Certification**

Deborah Craig

**Resume, Education, etc. (Optional)**

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