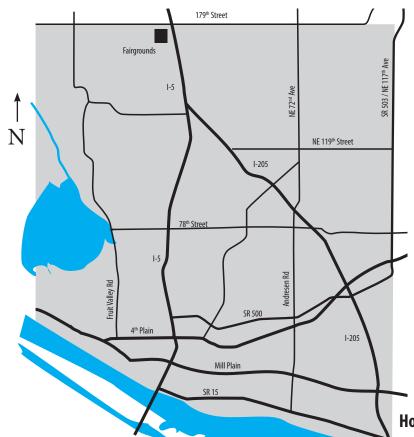


# Volunteer Opportunity

Southwest Clark County representative on the Clark County Solid Waste Advisory Commission

Looking to volunteer in your community? Interested in recycling and solid waste issues? Do you want your voice to make a difference?

Clark County is seeking a volunteer to represent SW Clark County on the Solid Waste Advisory Commission. Members are appointed by the Board of County Councilors to advise about recycling and solid waste handling in the county.



Applicants for this position must live in southwest Clark County, south of 179th Street and west of State Route 503 or its extension. This area includes the fairgrounds, Salmon Creek, Felida, Lake Shore, Hazel Dell, Minnehaha, Walnut Grove, Five Corners, north Orchards and Vancouver west of 117 Avenue.

#### What do we look for in a SWAC member?

- A demonstrated interest in solid waste and recycling issues
- Ability to regularly attend meetings
- Willingness to commit to a three-year term

How to apply and details about SWAC •

## **Chapter 70.95.165 of** the Revised Code of Washington (RCW)

"Each county shall establish a local solid waste advisory committee to assist in the development of programs and policies concerning solid waste handling and disposal and to review and comment upon proposed rules, policies, or ordinances prior to their adoption. Such committees shall consist of a minimum of nine members and shall represent a balance of interests including, but not limited to, citizens, public interest groups, business, the waste management industry and local elected public officials. The members shall be appointed by the county legislative authority."

#### Who is SWAC?

A committee of volunteer citizens who represent a balance of interests, including:

- Public interest groups
- Business community
- Solid waste industry
- Agriculture
- North Clark County
- Southeast Clark County
- Southwest Clark County
- County at large
- City of Vancouver
- Small cities and towns

#### What does SWAC do?

- Makes recommendations to the Board of County Councilors on solid waste issues
- Investigates new developments in solid waste and recycling management
- Assists and provides input on solid waste and recycling programs, proposed rules, policies and ordinances
- Assists and participates in updating and revising the Solid Waste Management Plan
- Makes recommendations to the Board of County Councilors on solid waste issues
- Advises Clark County Public Health regarding solid waste handling permit applications
- Acts as a representative to promote citizen input through outreach, public education and open communication with represented community

### How often are meetings and where are they held?

- Meetings are held quarterly from 6-8 p.m. on the first Thursday of February, May, August and November.
- Meetings are held at Center for Community Health, 1601 E. Fourth Plain Blvd., Vancouver.



## Interested? Here's how to apply:

Send a resume and a letter answering the following questions to Jennifer.Clark@clark.wa.gov. <u>Deadline is Friday, Dec. 9, 2016</u>

- 1. Why would you like to be involved with SWAC?
- 2. What personal or professional experience do you bring as it relates to solid waste?
- 3. Where do you see the future of solid waste in Clark County?

## **More information or Questions:**

Kim Harless, (360) 397-2121 ext. 5957 www.clark.wa.gov/public-health/solid-waste-advisory-commission