



Henderson District Public Libraries **Board of Trustees Application**

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Henderson Libraries seeks to cultivate a literate community by providing every citizen free access to books and information resources, as well as state of the art technology that supports work, school and recreational activities. The mission of the Henderson Libraries is to imagine possibilities, discover opportunities, and connect with the community.

The Board of Trustees for the Henderson District Public Libraries (Board of Trustees) exists pursuant to NRS 379.025 (h). The Board of Trustees consists of five (5) competent persons appointed by the Clark County Board of County Commissioners and two (2) competent persons appointed by the Henderson City Council.

Among its duties (NRS 379.025), the Board of Trustees shall hire a professional librarian to serve as the Executive Director of the Henderson Libraries, review and approve an annual budget, establish and review policies, and attend Board of Trustees meetings regularly.

The Board of Trustees meets the third (3rd) Thursday of the month at 7:45am.

Members serve four-year (4-year) terms and may not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms. Members must reside in the City of Henderson.

Application Overview:

If you are interested in applying for membership on the Board of Trustees, please complete the application below. If you have any questions related to the Board of Trustees or the application process, please email mlsmedley@hendersonlibraries.com

Full Name (First, Middle Initial, Last): Joseph M. Schaeffer

Home Street Address: [REDACTED]

Home Address City/State/Zip Code: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Mailing Address City/State/Zip Code: _____

Employer: Retired 1992 Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

Occupation: Police Officer

Email Address: _____

Best Daytime Contact Phone: _____

Relevant Affiliations: Please list below any other committees you are currently serving on. Please list, if applicable, the jurisdiction and term of appointment. If you were appointed by an individual and not by a local jurisdiction, please include that information. If you need additional space, please attach an additional sheet of paper.

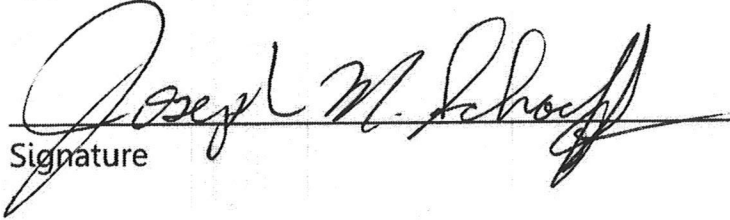
None

Skills and Experience: Please provide a brief description of your qualifications; include any special skills, interests, experience, or training which you possess or have completed that would benefit the work of the Board of Trustees. If you need additional space, please attach an additional sheet of paper.

Current volunteer Gibson Library. Past intake, sorting & evaluation of intake donated books; storage and display for sales. Past Scoutmaster, Assistant Council Commissioner for Las Vegas Area Council; Past Asst. Area Commissioner Western Region B.S.A. Duties: developing and instructing training for B.S.A. programs for youth and adults. Instructor L.V.M.P.D. New Age thinking for law enforcement.

A resume or letter of interest is REQUIRED. Please attach it to this application.

I certify that I am a resident of the City of Henderson. I verify by my signature below that all statements made on this application, as well as any information attached hereto, are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that an electronic signature has the same weight and effect as a handwritten signature. Furthermore, I understand that an incomplete application and any modifications to this application will not be accepted or considered.


Signature

April 17, 2024
Date

Hand Deliver Application to:

**Henderson District Public Libraries
280 S. Green Valley Parkway
Henderson, NV 89012**

Mail Application to:

**Henderson District Public Libraries
280 S. Green Valley Parkway
Henderson, NV 89012**

Email Scanned Copy to:

mlsmedley@hendersonlibraries.com

To: Henderson District Public Libraries, Board of Trustees

From: Joseph Matthias Schaeffer

Subject: Application for Board of Trustees Position

By way of introduction, I am a resident of Southern Nevada since 1971. I have lived at my current address in Henderson since 1996. I have been a volunteer for the Henderson District Public Libraries at the Gibson Branch since about 2019. At that time, I was charged with intake, sorting, storing and preparing donated books for book sales at the Gibson Branch. The area used for this purpose was repurposed and large, regular sales discontinued at that branch. My wife also volunteers there and when she needs additional help, I still volunteer at Gibson.

I was a volunteer at the Boulder Dam Area Council, now known as The Las Vegas Area Council Boy Scouts of America for over 30 years. I took many training sessions covering many topics.

I trained and taught new "High Adventure" programs to Scouts and their leaders. As I advanced to Scoutmaster, Commissioner, Assistant Council Commissioner and Assistant Area Commissioner for the Western Area of the United States I took many specialized trainings. I also prepared and taught the Advanced Training for Commissioners, District and Council Commissioners.

I became a Las Vegas Police officer in 1972, having scored 100% on the exam. I worked the Patrol Division for 20 years, retiring in February of 1992. During the course of my career, I took all the training that was made available to me, no matter the subject matter. I learned Local, State and applicable Federal laws. I received many performance recognitions. I was selected to teach an advanced course called "New Age Thinking for Law Enforcement" to the entire uniformed Police Force. I enjoyed my job working with citizens and did not seek advancement, however on two or three occasions, the Department went before the County Commission and requested that I be temporarily assigned a Sergeant with all the rights and responsibilities (and pay) of that rank. I do not recall that any of those assignments lasted more than 4 months. During that time, I became a Notary Public.

Since my retirement, I have worked for a small snack food company owned by one of my former Scouts' parents. I left there shortly after becoming the victim of a robbery in which my head was split open by a tire iron.

My elderly mother needed more care that my wife and I could give, So I applied for and got a job selling automobiles at Ford Country at the Valley Auto Mall. I took required training and was so successful that after about one year was promoted to Lease Renewal Manager. When my mother passed away, I resigned.

On April 27, 2024 I will be 83 years of age. Although I still have the desire to camp, hike and backpack in the wildlands of our country, I am no longer fit. I do not seek or need employment. My wife of 62 years and I like to travel and we do so a few times a year. We have travel to and been on every continent except Antarctica.

Life has been very good to me and I enjoy giving back.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Schaeffer