The City Council recently approved the formation of a Community Relations Commissions. This group will serve in an advisory role to City Administration and the City Council. The City of Rockford is currently seeking applications from Rockford residents to serve on this commission.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

• Foster and promote understanding, mutual respect, cooperation, increased participation, positive relations, and a sense of shared community throughout the entire city.
• Identify for the City Council programs or projects which will enhance relationships between city government and its residents;
• Assist city departments in establishing and maintaining good community relations and to serve all segments of the community in an equitable and professional manner;
• Advise and consult with the Mayor and City Council on all matters involving racial, religious, sex, ethnic, disability, sexual orientation or gender identity prejudice or discrimination and recommend such legislative action as it may deem appropriate to effectuate the policy of this chapter;
• Provide educational programs on community relations issues or practices of unlawful discrimination; conduct public meetings to aid in alleviating discrimination and bias, and as a means of fostering positive community relations within the City.
• Conduct educational, conciliatory activities, and call conferences of persons in business, industry, and community organizations to aid in dispute resolution and voluntary compliance with the provisions of Chapter 11 (Human Rights) of the City of Rockford Code of Ordinances.
TERM

For the initial appointments, terms will be as follows:

- Four commissioners will serve a 1-year term
- Four commissioners will serve a 2-year term
- Three commissioners will serve a 3-year term

Commissioners will thereafter be appointed for 3-year terms.

TO APPLY

Please submit a current resume and a one-page statement of interest:

In person or mail: Mayor’s Office, City of Rockford,
425 East State Street, Rockford, IL 61104
E-mail: communityrelations@rockfordil.gov

OTHER DETAILS

- Deadline for submission is: March 31, 2019
- Applications will be reviewed by the Mayor’s Office. Final recommendations of commission members will be submitted by the Mayor to City Council for approval.
- Questions? Please e-mail communityrelations@rockfordil.gov or call the Mayor’s Office at 779-348-7150.