

Ridgefield Housing Authority

Volunteer Commissioner Opportunity



A Meaningful Opportunity to Serve Ridgefield

VOLUNTEER COMMISSIONER

Serving Today. Preserving Tomorrow.

The Ridgefield Housing Authority (RHA) is seeking a dedicated community member to serve as a **Volunteer Commissioner**. This is an opportunity to make a meaningful contribution to the Ridgefield community by helping ensure that pleasant, affordable housing remains available for current and future Ridgefield residents while providing thoughtful oversight of the Housing Authority's governance, policies, finances, and long-term planning.

Individuals with professional, business, financial, legal, construction, engineering, management, nonprofit, public service, or other leadership experience are encouraged to apply. The Ridgefield Housing Authority values diverse backgrounds and welcomes individuals who are committed to thoughtful governance, sound judgment, and public service.

Commissioners are public officials appointed by the **Town of Ridgefield Board of Selectpersons** and work collaboratively with fellow Commissioners and professional management to fulfill the Housing Authority's purpose. No prior Housing Authority experience is required. Individuals with integrity, sound judgment, a willingness to learn, and a commitment to public service are encouraged to apply.

Orientation, training materials, and mentoring will be provided to assist the successful candidate in becoming familiar with the Housing Authority's responsibilities and operations.

Position Overview and Availability

- Five-year volunteer appointment.
- One regular Board meeting each month (typically about two hours).
- Advance review of meeting agendas and supporting materials.
- Estimated commitment of approximately **4–8 hours per month**.
- Additional time may be required for committee work, training, strategic planning, or special projects. Officers, particularly the Chair, devote additional time as needed.

The Commissioner position is expected to be filled **no later than October 31, 2026**

Individuals who are interested in serving their community through public service are encouraged to express their interest and begin the orientation process as soon as practical.

To express your interest or to obtain additional information, please contact:

torfirstselectperson@ridgefieldct.gov

Town Stipulated Qualifications

- Applicants must be a resident of the Town of Ridgefield.
- Not hold another elected or salaried public office within the Town of Ridgefield.
- Not have any direct or indirect financial interest that conflicts with the responsibilities of a Housing Authority Commissioner or in any Housing Authority project, property, or contract.

Our Philosophy of Service

Every Commissioner is a steward of the Authority's purpose, its residents, its public trust, and its institutional knowledge. Each Commissioner has a responsibility not only to make sound decisions today, but also to leave the Authority stronger, better organized, and better prepared for those whom it will serve in the future.

The next chapter begins with those who serve.

