

# MONTEREY COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEMBER APPLICATION

Today's Date

02/05/2026

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Name:

Erik Cushman

Title:

Publisher

Phone:

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## BUSINESS INFORMATION

Business Name:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Number of Current Employees:

28

Number of Years with Current Business:

27

Number of Years the Business has been in business in Monterey County:

38

Please describe the nature of the Business and your position within the Business:

I lead the largest local media operation covering Monterey County. The Weekly and our digital platforms (Monterey County Now) regularly wins awards for its journalism and is a very active member of the business community. I lead the business operations and have oversight responsibilities for the entire company.

**Please list your current chamber and association memberships, the duration of each membership and the positions you currently hold:**

Monterey Peninsula Chamber - 40+ years  
Pacific Grove Chamber - 40+ years  
Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce - 40+ years  
Carmel Chamber of Commerce - 40+ years  
MCHA - 40+ years  
See Monterey - 40+ years

**As a member of your business with optimum policy authority, please describe your responsibilities within your organization:**

See above

### **Monterey County Workforce Development Board**

**What do you hope to contribute from your participation on the Monterey County Workforce Development Board?**

I've long admired the mission of the WDB and hope to be able to lend my talents to linking job seekers to good jobs.

**What experience in the areas of fundraising, budget analysis, workforce policy development, youth services, knowledge of the labor market, and community involvement or linkages with educational agencies do you bring to the Monterey County Workforce Development Board, as applicable?**

see above

**Membership on the Monterey County WDB requires that each member attend a full WDB meeting every two months, attend training sessions for board members and become an advocate for workforce development. The time commitment for these activities ranges from a minimum of 2 to 4 hours per month. Can you make that time commitment?**

Yes

**Membership on the Monterey County WDB requires that each member serves on a subcommittee. The time commitment for this activity ranges from a minimum of 2 to 3 hours per month. Can you make that time commitment?**

Yes

**Why do you wish to serve on the Monterey County Workforce Development Board?**

To lend my help improving the lives of members of the community and enhancing economic development for business owners.

### **Acknowledgment**

I, the undersigned, certify that the information on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that, if appointed to serve, I will do so to the best of my ability and in the best interest of Monterey County and its citizens.

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