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# Child Care Planning Council Application

## Gelacio Gonzalez

District: 3

Initialed Application: Yes

### Applicant

First Name: **Gelacio**

Middle Initial:

Last Name: **Gonzalez**

### Employment

Occupation: **Education**

Job Title: **Early Learning Program Specialist**

Employer: **Monterey County Office of Education**

### Interests and Experiences

Able to attend meetings regularly and devote the time necessary to fulfill duties as a member?

**Yes**

Currently serving on a County of Monterey Board, Commission, Committee or other Community Advisory Group?

**Yes**

**I am a current member of the Monterey County Child Care Planning Council.**

Has served on an advisory group before?

**Yes**

**I have been serving on the MCCPC since 2011.**

Please tell us about yourself and why you want serve:

**I firmly believe that every child and family deserves access to exceptional childcare. Early childhood education is not just a stepping stone; it is the vital foundation for a lifetime of success and fulfillment.**

Please state the reason you would like to be a member of this board committee/commission/district:

**Here's a concise statement you could use, weaving in your long experience on the**

council since 2010: --- **\*\*Statement of Qualifications\*\*** I have proudly served on the Monterey County Child Care Planning Council since 2011, bringing over a decade of experience advocating for high-quality, accessible child care. My work reflects a strong commitment to supporting children, families, and providers across our diverse communities. With a background in early childhood education and community collaboration, I bring both knowledge and lived experience to the council. I am dedicated to ensuring equitable access to child care, strengthening the child care workforce, and shaping policies that support families. My years of service demonstrate reliability, leadership, and an ongoing passion for improving outcomes for children in Monterey County. --- Would you like me to make this **\*\*shorter and more direct for an application form\*\*** (a few sentences), or keep it as a **\*\*slightly longer, polished paragraph\*\*** for something like a cover letter?

How did you hear about the position?:

**I was nominated from my previous employer.**