

# El Dorado County Board of Supervisors: Application for New Board, Commission or Committee

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## Instructions

Board or Commission Applying For	First 5 El Dorado Commission
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Vacant Position or Title	Community Representative
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First Name	Sylvia
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Last Name	Rubio Puthuff
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Email Address	
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Primary Residential Address	
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Residential City	Diamond Springs
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Residential ZIP Code	95619
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Daytime Telephone	
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Mobile Telephone	
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Occupation/Title	Customer Service Representative
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Employer	JTR Insurance Agency
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List all County boards, commissions or committees to which you are/were appointed. Please include dates of service.	The First 5 El Dorado Commision board as a Community Representative. Group meets 5 times a year, from 3:00pm-5:00pm
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Summary of qualifications	<p>Santa Cruz Children's Museum of Discovery (2018)</p> <p>*Appling empathy and compassion to the learning curves throughout the demographic of children of the county.</p> <p>*Coordinating importance of STEAM engagement in child/care setting.</p> <p>*Provide spaces that help educational and interest led stumi for children between the ages of newborn and 10.</p> <p>-Monarch Services Santa Cruz County Certified Peer Advocate (2016)</p> <p>*Trained to act as crisis counselor for those experiencing domestic violence, human trafficking or sexual assault trauma.</p> <p>*Assigned to create self-care steps for staff and volunteers organization</p>
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	<p>wide.</p> <p>*On-call dispatcher to crisis calls on organization hotline.</p> <p>-Little Chicklets Childcare (Owner: 2020)</p> <p>*Providing safe space and educative services for the children of El Dorado County, primarily Georgetown/The Divide.</p> <p>*Meeting families where their needs were to not only provide care but partner with affiliates to provide resources.</p> <p>*Attend seminars/classes to stay up to date on groundbreaking social-emotional development needs of children.</p> <p>-Enhancing Caregiver Resiliency: Trauma Informed Care Series (2020)</p> <p>*Education on the needs of children from all background, demographics and how those play a part in childhood development.</p> <p>-FamNet Leadership Graduate (2024)</p> <p>*Training and education in citizen engagement.</p> <p>*Preparation for community engagement.</p> <p>*Acquiring the tools and steps to professionally be engaged with concerned citizens.</p> <p>*Training in Leadership Organization.</p> <p>-Community Input Series by El Dorado County Commission for Youth and Families (2024)</p> <p>*Provide helpful and authentic experiences about child rearing and engagement in El Dorado County.</p> <p>*Engagement in providing feedback to others as well as organization on what the needs are in certain aspects of growth for children, and the county, when it concerns the success of a child's experience in schools, daycares and other learning environments.</p> <p>-El Dorado County Chamber of Commerce Leadership El Dorado Class 16 (2024)</p> <p>*Engagement with local organizations, educating on different community aspects.</p> <p>*Education of the necessary dynamics of a county to thrive.</p> <p>*Current development and participation of the beautification of El Dorado County.</p>
<b>Affiliations with professional and/or community groups</b>	<p>-EDCOE</p> <p>-Catalyst Community</p> <p>-Fam Net: Academy on Community Action</p> <p>-El Dorado County Chamber of Commerce</p> <p>-Active 20-30 Gold Rush #1034</p> <p>-Active 20-30 United States and Canada</p>
<b>Why do you seek appointment?</b>	<p>Due to my recent community involvement and input sessions through El Dorado County Office of Education, my long term involvement at Catalyst Community Services and lifelong passion to advocate for youth.</p>
<b>Additional Information</b>	<p>My desire to serve as a community representative is deeply rooted in both personal experience and professional dedication. Growing up in Santa Cruz County, I witnessed firsthand the complex and often heartbreaking ways that socio-economic disparities impact families and children. It was there that I first understood how injustices—whether in education, access to resources, or overall support—are not abstract issues but daily realities for many. These early experiences shaped my understanding of equity and ignited a lifelong commitment to creating change.</p> <p>At the age of nine, I began volunteering, and it quickly became clear to me that the cycles of hardship many families face often begin long before a child enters school. I saw how essential it is to start at the very beginning—at birth—with intentional support, care, and advocacy. That realization has guided me through every step of my journey.</p>

From my time at the Santa Cruz Children's Museum of Discovery, where I championed STEAM engagement and empathy-driven learning for young children, to my role as a Certified Peer Advocate with Monarch Services, where I supported individuals experiencing domestic violence and trauma, I've been committed to uplifting others in meaningful ways. Whether creating self-care strategies for frontline staff or answering crisis calls, I've approached every role with compassion and accountability.

As the owner of Little Chicklets Childcare in El Dorado County, I've worked directly with families to not only provide care, but to connect them with resources, meet them where they are, and help build strong foundations for their children's growth. My continued training in trauma-informed care and social-emotional development reinforces my belief that supporting the whole child—and family—requires listening, learning, and acting from a place of deep understanding.

Through programs like the FamNet Leadership Academy, the Community Input Series, and Leadership El Dorado Class 16, I've gained tools for civic engagement, collaboration, and systems-level thinking. I've also become deeply involved in the work of building a stronger community alongside organizations such as EDCOE, Catalyst Community, and Active 20-30.

I want to bring these lived experiences and developed skills into the role of community representative—to be a voice for those who are not always heard, to advocate for change where it is most needed, and to help break the very cycles I saw as a child. I'm committed to showing up with empathy, accountability, and action—for families, for children, and for the future of our communities

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If known, indicate the member of the Board of Supervisors who will receive a copy of this application

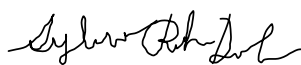
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**File Attachments**

[Sylvia-RubioAcademy-on-Community-ActionTest-Cert-1Family-Advocacy-and-Mentoring-Network \(1\).pdf](#)  
[ACA Certificate of Leadership- ElDorado - Sylvia Rubio.pdf](#)  
[Certificate \(1\).pdf](#)  
[Certificate.pdf](#)  
[workforcereg.pdf](#)  
[CERT\\_325635\\_71.pdf](#)  
[PDFMailer.pdf](#)

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**Signature of Applicant**



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# CERTIFICATE

Sylvia Rubio

is awarded this certificate for the completion of:

Academy on Community Action

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# CERTIFICATE OF LEADERSHIP

This certificate is proudly presented to

*Sylvia Rubio*

for completing the Academy of Community Action. Your dedication to mastering advocacy and leadership skills has expanded your capabilities, and we are excited to see how you will apply this knowledge in your future endeavors.

*Rene Line*

RENE LINE  
QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COORDINATOR  
EL DORADO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

*Greg Bourne*

GREGORY BOURNE  
CO-FOUNDER & PRINCIPAL  
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July 29, 2024

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# CERTIFICATE

## OF COMPLETION



This Certificate is Presented To

**Sylvia Rubio**

For completing the California Child Abuse  
Mandated Reporter Online Training for  
Child Care Providers (AB1207)



10/29/2019

DATE OF COMPLETION

MandatedReporterCA.com

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CERTIFICATE NUMBER