"North Valley" MAC

Eldridge, Glen Ellen and Kenwood Regions



What is a MAC?

A MAC (Municipal Advisory Council) is a group of citizens appointed by the Board to provide recommendations on matters of local concern. The MAC provides a process to effectively communicate the needs of the community to County government and elected leaders. Creating the boundaries of the MAC will take into account existing borders establishing communities of interest, school district boundaries and population density, and will be determined by the Supervisor in accordance with the Sonoma County Municipal Advisory Council Policies & Procedures.

Who Can Serve on the MAC?

The MAC will be made up of 7 members - one representing schools, one from the Sonoma Valley Citizens Advisory Committee, one from the business community and four from the community at large. There will also be two alternates appointed.

Prospective members of this MAC will be 18 or older and should:

- Be engaged and involved in their community
- reflect the diversity of the community at large
- live in or own a business in Glen Ellen, Kenwood or Eldridge

What is the Appointment Process?

The District Supervisor shall review all qualified applicants and along with a small review committee from the community. The Supervisor will submit selected applicants to the Board of Supervisors for appointment.

What topics does the MAC focus on?

The "North Valley" MAC will hold regular public meetings and may make recommendations on topics such as:

- Current or prospective government services, such as public health and safety, law enforcement and fire protection services, public works, etc;
- Prioritization of transportation and transit improvements including pedestrian and bicycle safety issues;
- Community and neighborhood projects such as art, murals, place making, trash cleanups, creek cleanups, vegetation plantings and maintenance, etc;
- Fairs and festivals:
- Public educational forums;
- Other topics referred by the District Supervisor.

Draft Timeline

June and July: Community Meetings

August and September: Board Approval of Boundaries and Bylaws and Applications

October and November: Interviews and Board Approval of Appointees

December and January: Training and Meetings Begin