

NAPSA 2022 Election to the Board of Directors

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

Christine Burns; At-Large Director

My interest in serving on the NAPSA Board rests in a sincere desire to serve the nationwide pretrial community. Individuals and agencies make a difference daily in the lives of those accused, their families, and their communities, and to serve those that accomplish this work is a mission I would enjoy. Through this volunteer position, I will serve diligently, thoughtfully, reasonably, and reliably those serving in this field. I wish to make a notable difference by serving as a member of the Board to advocate for and implement best policy and practice and to support the pretrial movement through evidence-based decision-making and practice. I currently manage the Justice Services Division for El Paso County, Colorado, and a fantastic team of professionals providing Pretrial Services and Community Corrections. I hold a master's degree in Political Science and am currently working on a doctoral degree in Public Administration. Your support of my candidacy for the at-large board position for NAPSA and the opportunity to serve you in this manner would be an honor.

Christine L. Burns
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David Mauroff; At-Large Director

Thank you for your consideration to serve you on the NAPSA Board as an At-Large Director. I am honored to be the CEO of San Francisco Pretrial Diversion Project. For over 46 years, SF Pretrial has operated as a non-profit organization that provides case management, supervision and assessment services for people in the pretrial phase. Throughout our lengthy collaboration with our local and state criminal justice and community partners, SF Pretrial has provided industry-leading alternatives to fines, criminal prosecution and detention. Like the work you do in your jurisdictions, our services align with the goals of San Francisco's criminal justice system: ensure that individuals charged with a crime appear for trial, receive the support they need to succeed and protect the safety of our communities. SF Pretrial has been consistently acknowledged nationally and locally for our leadership in bail reform and pretrial innovation. Through the tireless work of our amazing staff who serve individuals with a wide range of needs and criminal charges including violent felonies, serious mental illness and homelessness, we maintain high outcomes and a caseload count that is more than two times the population of our jails. In 2021, we were accredited by the National Association of Pretrial Service Agencies.

I am excited to continue advancing NAPSA's mission by highlighting the amazing work carried out by its member agencies, using our combined expertise to advance best practices in pretrial services and support and learn from each other. In my current role at SF Pretrial, I have the time, energy and resources to actively participate on the NAPSA Board and advocate on your behalf. I am regularly involved in statewide and national forums that bring more exposure to the pretrial field and the value of our work. We have been deeply engaged in bail reform in California and have been fortunate to partner with dozens of leading advocates and researchers across the Country. The work we're all doing is critical and needs to be better understood. Like many of you, our agency has also been impacted by misinformation and misleading facts that disparage and hinder the successful bail and pretrial reform initiatives championed by NAPSA and its member agencies. As a current member of the National Criminal Justice Association Board of Directors, I will bring NAPSA's voice to an agency that represents the State Administration

Agencies receiving billions of dollars of criminal justice-related funding from the Federal Government. As an aside, I have the time and capacity to represent the interests of our pretrial agencies on both fronts. We are also fortunate to be connected on national issues through the Vera Institute of Justice, MacArthur Safety and Justice Challenge, Center for Effective Public Policy/Advancing Pretrial Policy & Research and Arnold Ventures. I am committed to actively contributing to NAPSA as a practitioner and advocate.

If selected, I would bring over thirty years of work connected to the criminal justice system to the NAPSA Board, with a focus on systemic change, gangs, community development and violence prevention. My career started on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. and transitioned into nonprofit work. Previous roles include the San Francisco Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice, Boys & Girls Clubs and McCormack Baron, a national affordable housing company. One of my most valuable professional growth opportunities was the opportunity to serve on the Boys & Girls Clubs of America National Youth Gang Advisory Committee with criminal justice experts including distinguished researchers, Department of Justice (DOJ) staff, Boys & Girls Clubs colleagues and law enforcement leaders. Through this forum, I provided training to communities around the country on implementing effective gang and violence reduction strategies and participated in planning DOJ national conferences.

One of my most rewarding professional experiences was the opportunity to launch two social enterprises. Focusing on the capacity of people with lived experience to build and empower their communities from within, the program provided them with the tools necessary to inspire and impact their peers through entrepreneurship. Green Streets provides recycling, composting, grounds keeping and janitorial services at affordable and public housing developments. It has operated since 2010 and is now an independent business owned by one of the original founders. A work-in-progress documentary served as a tool to create and activate Green Streets partnerships that address wage disparity, provide employment opportunities to individuals with multiple barriers to success and change the culture of work in socioeconomically isolated neighborhoods. Working with gang-involved and impacted youth while at Boys & Girls Clubs, I co-created a similar nationally recognized business called Sunrise Sidewalk Cleaners. Green Streets and Sunrise were developed by their founders from the ground up. We connected them with local professionals who taught and advised on all aspects of running a small business - personnel, finances, operations, sales, marketing and others. They put that education into practice and were responsible for building and operating their social enterprises, while I provided guidance and connected them with the support services they needed to succeed. Both received national recognition including a Champions of Change award from the White House in 2014. They were risky ventures that succeeded because the community founders saw a better path, and the trust placed in me by the people who participated in the launch of those businesses is my proudest achievement.

On a more personal level, I co-founded the Friends of Balboa Park Playground with my neighbors and our efforts resulted in millions of dollars of improvements to our local park. Music is my elixir and I enjoy discovering new bands and seeing live shows at small venues with my friends. I love spending time with my wife and two teenage daughters. They keep me honest and informed and my greatest joy is watching our family grow and evolve. Thank you again for your consideration.

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