



Heather Dawn Watkins | Candidate for At-Large Position

Candidate Profile for 2022 MCC Board of Directors

Name	Heather Dawn Watkins
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Education	College
Profession	Customer Service, Community Health, Human Services Advocate, Uber Driver
If employed, name of company?	
Are you currently or have you been an MCC Board Member?	No.
How many years have you been part of the MCC community?	I first came to MCC in January 2018. I was walking down the street and came across MCC and decided to go over and check it out.
What do you enjoy most about MCC?	It is a very active community and offers many programs for all ages. MCC helps others in need and this is extremely important in our suffering world. Having speakers that teach us more about Islam that will help guide us on the straight path. Having speakers teach us about things in the world that are happening with Muslims such as with the Uyghurs. Raising awareness of how Muslims are being treated around the world is very important. I enjoy serving lunches to believers on Jummah so people don't have to worry about lunch, especially when they need to return to work.
What do you think can be improved about MCC?	The MCC is a GREAT place yet there are a few areas where the MCC could improve. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I think the Banquet Room needs to be upgraded with a makeover so it will be

	<p>more inviting to people who may want to rent the Banquet Room for their special events such as Nikkahs. The carpet, the ceiling, and part of the walls can be made more appealing and I believe this will help the MCC make more money, inshaa ALLAH.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. I would like to have volunteers to greet and welcome the worshipers with a smile as they enter the Masjid. The volunteers will help direct them to where the men's or woman's entrance is and where they can leave their shoes. They can also help answer any questions as people enter the Masjid or direct them to someone who can. 3. I think it would be healthy for our MCC community to have more get togethers outside of Mosque this Summer. I would like us to have a BBQ and do some fun activities to help bring us more together as a Muslim family. With vaccinations and boosters for Covid, wearing masks, and social distancing we can still have fun! We need to learn how to live and enjoy life in these difficult times, inshaa ALLAH. 4. I would like to help more of our MCC community with meeting their needs by having activities such as a Shoe Drive before Ramadan to help those that can't afford new shoes right now to buy them. 5. I think it is a good idea for the MCC to host more Muslim Support Groups, such as a Convert Support Group, an Alcohol/Drug/Perscription Drug Support Group, having a Healthy Weight Support Group, and possibly a Mental Health Support Group. I would like these groups to have the proper guidance by leaders in our communities and to be open to all Muslims in the Bay Area to attend.
<p>What kind of positive impact will you bring to MCC?</p>	<p>I care about the MCC so very much! It feels like my home and I want it to be the absolute best it can be and I have many good ideas for our future and our community.</p>

I am intelligent, approachable and friendly. I have a positive can-do attitude, I am a hard worker and I want to get things done.. I get along well with others and I am a team player. I also enjoy giving my time and energy to the MCC as a volunteer. I have been volunteering at the MCC since I started attending in 2018.

I will work hard to be the best Board Member At Large as I can be. Thank you for learning more about me.

With warm regards, your friend and your sister,

Sister Heather