



THE
LOOP

September 10, 2025

Dear Mayor Buffaloe:

Please accept the attached application for the Business Loop Community Improvement District Board of Directors. We have one spot opening up due to a resignation and we anticipate the new member starting at the next regular monthly board meeting after your approval.

We mailed announcements to all businesses, property owners, and residents within the CID; emailed members with the application link; posted details on our website; and personally met with potential applicants. Applications were available online and paper copies were available in our office as well.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carrie Gartner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Carrie Gartner
Executive Director
The Business Loop Community Improvement District

Michele Batye, Chair
Flooring America

James Bayless
Fresh Start Property Mgmt.

Karen Geotz
Dive Bar

Mary Grupe
Hickman High School

Ryan Euliss
Boone Electric Coop

Suzi McGarvey
MACC/MACCLab

Jay Rader
Bus Loop 70 Properties

Renee Hall
Director of Instruction
Moberly Area Community College: Columbia Campus
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Why do you want to serve on the Community Improvement District Board?

As a representative of one of the larger businesses in the Loop area, I am interested in the well being and potential this area of Columbia, its businesses and residents.

What experience or qualifications do you have relating to the function of the Community Improvement District?

I have been a teacher and now an administrator at the MACC Columbia location for a total of 12 years. I've also had the experience of working for a municipality in New Mexico and am familiar with the unique workings of local government. I also have served on numerous committees at MACC and am effective at and enjoy working in groups of diverse people.

What experience or qualifications do you have relating to the improvement of the Business Loop?

I have been a resident of Columbia for a total of 14 years, and an employee of MACC on the Business Loop for a total of 12 years. I've seen the evolution of the Loop in that time, good and bad. When I returned to Columbia after being away for several years, I was so happy to see that the Loop had signage, some landscaping, and a Community Improvement District and that gave me hope that the area was finally going to be developed into its full potential, which is vast.

Please list your community service, including other Boards or Commissions on which you currently serve.

Don't currently serve on any boards, but over the years I've been involved in volunteer work with animal organizations, homeless organizations and the Red Cross.

Please provide the names and contact information for three references.

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