

*This application is for membership on the
Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT)
action committees only.*

MDEAT is an agent of Miami-Dade County charged by Miami-Dade County Board of Commissioners to help create economic parity between underserved Black communities and the community-at-large. Its approach to helping create economic parity – through the support of the action committees – is to utilize programmatic enterprises and advocate for systemic solutions.

MDEAT ACTION COMMITTEES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTION COMMITTEE (EDAC)

The purpose of EDAC is to provide advisement to the Trust Board on the Board's strategic direction for economic development and assist in the advocacy for equitable participation of Blacks in the economic growth of Miami-Dade County. The Committee develops and advocates initiatives to educate and train individuals and businesses for economic success. Initiatives include financial literacy programs, workforce certification and training, business development and entrepreneurship forums and technical assistance, career and business fairs.

HOUSING ADVOCACY COMMITTEE (HAC)

The purpose of HAC is to discuss issues that impact access to homeownership and affordable housing opportunities in the Miami-Dade County market. HAC also determines feasible and actionable solutions. It engages in problem-solving sessions to identify and implement strategies to address barriers affecting affordable housing needs of low-to-moderate income families.

YOUTH ACTION COMMITTEE (YAC)

The purpose of YAC is to provide advisement to the Trust Board on the Board's strategic direction for developing youth within predominately Black communities as an approach to reducing crime and subsequently encouraging an environment to foster economic prosperity in designated communities. The committee also supports the mission of MDEAT's Miami-Dade County Teen Court by advocating and creating opportunities for youth to develop into responsible citizens. The committee hosts workshops, summits, and conferences. In short, YAC responds to the needs of the community, develops public-private partnerships, and collaborates with lead authorities that specialize in youth/teen problems.

Please keep Pages 1-2 for your records.

Membership on Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) requires committee members to participate in and prepare for monthly meetings, treat other committee members with respect and courtesy, and put aside special interests and personal perspectives in order to assist with recommendations and decisions for the economic advancement of Black communities in Miami-Dade County.

MDEAT maintains at all times a fair and open nominations process. Membership is based on availability of positions and level of expertise in one of the agency's core areas of service.

Applicants are encouraged to attend a committee meeting before completing the attached application. Within three months of appointment, members are required to complete the MDEAT New Member Orientation and Training, and Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust Mandatory Ethics Training. Each year, committee members are also required to submit a Financial Disclosure Statement to Miami-Dade County.

Applicants must be permanent residents and registered voters of Miami-Dade County. Additionally, applicants must uphold reputations of integrity and community service and must not be serving on more than two boards created by the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners, unless the Commission has by unanimous vote approved the appointment after being advised of all other County board(s) upon which the person sits, provided, however, a person serving on any one of the following boards shall not serve on any other County board simultaneously except as provided by ordinance: Community Council; Community Zoning Appeals Board; Planning Advisory Board; Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust; Housing Finance Authority; Independent Review Panel; Industrial Development Authority; Health Facilities Authority; Educational Facilities Authority; Commission on Ethics and Public Trust; Environmental Quality Control Board; The Children's Trust; and the Public Health Trust. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a person is prohibited from serving on a County board where such service would violate federal or state law, the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter or county ordinance.

Contact and Demographic Information

This is the application for membership on the Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) action committee only.

PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR RESUME OR PROFESSIONAL PROFILE TO YOUR APPLICATION PACKAGE.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Home Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Employer (if applicable): _____ Occupation/Title: _____

Business Address: _____ Business Phone: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____ Fax: _____

Home Email: _____ Business Email: _____

► Where may we contact you confidentially? ☐ Home ☐ Cell ☐ Email ☐ Work ☐ Other: _____

► Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

► Race/Ethnicity: ☐ White/Non-Hispanic ☐ Black/Non-Hispanic ☐ Hispanic ☐ Asian/Pacific Islander
☐ American Indian/Alaska Native ☐ Other (specify) _____

► Are you an officer, employee, representative or consultant to any MDEAT program -funded provider? ☐ Yes ☐ No

► Are you a member of any other County boards? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please list _____

► Are you presently a party in a lawsuit filed against Miami-Dade County? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please describe the nature of the lawsuit: _____

► On which committee(s) would you like to serve? (See cover page for an explanation of committee responsibilities)

☐ Economic Development Action Committee (EDAC)

☐ Housing Advocacy Committee (HAC)

☐ Youth Action Committee (YAC)

Please briefly describe your area of expertise and how you are able to help advance the mission of MDEAT.

Action Committee Membership Application

Miami-Dade County Voter Registration Verification

Members of a Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) committee must be permanent residents and registered voters of Miami-Dade County. A copy of your Miami-Dade County Voter Identification Card must be included with your application.

COPY VOTER REGISTRATION HERE

Statement of Commitment

As a MDEAT committee member I agree to:

- ▶ Complete the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust Mandatory Ethics Training within three months of appointment.
- ▶ Complete the MDEAT New Member Orientation and Training within three months of appointment.
- ▶ Abide by the MDEAT Bylaws, Ordinance and other related governing documents along with relevant policies and procedures, including:
 - Attending the monthly meeting(s) of the committee(s) to which I am appointed from beginning to adjournment (approximately 2 hours).
 - Preparing for meetings by carefully reviewing all pre-distributed materials (approximately 1 hour).
 - Providing relevant information regarding MDEAT service needs and priorities for planning and resource allocations.
- ▶ Treat committee members, staff and visitors with respect.
- ▶ Put aside special interests or personal perspectives and make recommendations for the economic advancement of Miami-Dade County's Black communities.
- ▶ I understand that this information will become public record and may be discussed in open, public meetings. The Florida Government in the Sunshine Law requires open discussion in a public forum. In addition, I further understand that any documents submitted in conjunction with this application may be disclosed pursuant to Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes (Florida Public Records Act).
- ▶ I understand and consent to MDEAT conducting a criminal background screening to determine my eligibility to serve as a committee member.

I, (print your full name) _____, certify I have thoroughly read this application and will abide by the rules and regulations governing Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT). I further certify that all the statements made in this application are true and correct.

Signature

Date (Application valid for 6 months from this date)

Please mail your completed application – including a current copy of your Miami-Dade County Voter ID Card AND resume or professional profile – to, Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust | Attn: MDEAT Committee Application | 111 NW 1 ST, Suite 2032 | Miami, FL 33128; or send a complete application package via email to MDEATInfo@MiamiDade.gov.

SPECIAL NOTE: This application will go before the committee to which you have applied. You are required to attend a meeting of the committee to introduce yourself and state your interest in serving as a member. Upon recommendation from the MDEAT Board, your membership will be accepted or denied.