

*Are You Interested in Advocating for the
Needs of Young Children & Families?
Then Join the First 5 Family!*



The First 5 San Luis Obispo County Commission is Seeking a Community At-Large Representative.

WHO WE ARE & WHAT WE DO:

First 5 San Luis Obispo County is a public agency responsible for allocating approximately \$1.4 million dollars in funding per year toward system improvements and equitable access to quality services that support the health and early development of children prenatal to age 5.

WHAT'S INVOLVED AS A COMMISSIONER:

Commissioners bring their individual expertise and experience to collectively help guide priorities and funding strategies in a way that reflects the needs of the 0-5 population in San Luis Obispo County; They review and approve financial plans, develop and approve strategic plans, approve community contracts and review program & community outcomes. Our Commission typically meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month in January, March, May, June, September, October and the first Wednesday of the month in December. Meetings run from 3:00-5:30pm. Commissioners may be required to attend additional meetings and invited to serve on committees related to this work. They are also encouraged to act as ambassadors, by taking part in a variety of First 5 SLO County events, such as ribbon-cutting ceremonies, conferences and outreach activities. As with other county-level boards, First 5 Commissioners do not receive financial compensation for their participation.

Three seats on our 9-member Commission are designated for At-Large representatives with professional and/or personal experience in early childhood. The role we are looking to fill is a 3-year term, beginning in July 2024. Candidates from diverse backgrounds and experiences are encouraged to apply.

EXAMPLES OF COMMUNITY AT-LARGE COMMISSIONERS:

- Managers of children's services programs, public health services, social services or behavioral health services
- Individuals specializing in early childhood
- Representatives of childcare coordinating groups, resource or referral agencies
- Individuals working in early prevention or early intervention for families at risk
- Educators and representatives of a local school district
- Members of a local medical, pediatric or obstetric agency, association or society
- Recipients of services related to early childhood health & development, education and/or family supports (Including Parents and Caregivers)

Commission details and online applications can be found at:

<https://www.first5slo.org/who-we-are.php> or *FIRST 5 COMMISSIONER APPLICATION*.

Deadline is 5pm, Wednesday, May 15th. For additional info, contact First 5 San Luis Obispo County Associate Director Jason Wells at (805) 781-4058 or jwells@first5slo.org.