

RE: Harwich Liaison To The Barnstable County Human Rights Advisory Commission

The Barnstable Human Rights Advisory Commission (BCHRAC) consists of 9 voting members; 2 alternate members; liaisons for the Barnstable County Commissioners, the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates and the Cape Police Chiefs Association; a Coordinator; an Administrative Assistant; and liaisons for each of the 15 towns on the Cape and for the Wampanoag tribe.

The mission of the BCHRAC is to promote equal opportunity for all persons of Barnstable County regardless of race, color, religious creed, national origin, gender, age, ancestry, sexual or affectional preference, marital, family, or military status, source of income, neighborhood or disability WHERE unlawful discrimination exists in housing, employment, education, public accommodations, town or county services, insurance, banking, credit and health care.

The liaison would function as an informational conduit between the BCHRAC and the Harwich community; assist in forming community-based relationships with local organizations, elected and appointed officials and others; advise the BCHRAC about issues particular to Truro; make presentations to town organizations, boards and committees; and educate the residents of Truro about the BCHRAC and the resources it provides to residents who believe that they are, or may have been, a victim of unlawful discrimination.

All town liaisons are encouraged to attend meetings of the BCHRAC. These meetings generally occur about 10 times a year, last 90 minutes and are done virtually. The liaisons are also encouraged to join and attend meetings of a subcommittee of their choice, e.g. Intake Committee, Education and Outreach Committee and Events Committee to name a few. Such committees meet 4 or 5 times a year. The meetings are 90 minutes long and are also done virtually.

The BCHRAC is looking for a resident to serve as the Harwich liaison to the Advisory Commission. Additional information is available on the Barnstable County website.

I am hoping that you might find a town resident who is interested in becoming your liaison. Harwich is one of 4 Cape towns that do not yet have a liaison to the BCHRAC. We are working to make this a truly Cape-wide organization by having liaisons in each of the 15 Cape towns.

I am available to you if you have questions, comments or concerns, or to assist you in any way.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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