

** Applications must be received by **5:00 p.m. on January 8, 2024** via:

- (1) Email to the City of Champaign Township Clerk, at cityclerk@champaignil.gov with the subject line of "Application for Township Supervisor"; or
- (2) Physically delivered to the City Clerk at 102 N. Neil, Champaign, IL 61820.

**APPLICATION FOR
CITY OF CHAMPAIGN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR**

(Note: Information provided by the applicant on this form may be disclosed pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, subject to applicable exemptions.)

Name: Kyle Patterson

Home Address: 111 W. Ells Business Address: _____

_____ Champaign, IL 61820

Home Telephone: 7(1)(b) - Personal Telephone Number Business Telephone: _____

Cell Phone: 7(1)(b) - Personal Telephone Number

Email Address: 7(1)(b) - Personal Email Address

How long have you lived in the City of Champaign Township? Consistently for 11 years and 4 months

Please list addresses at which you have established residency within the City of Champaign Township during the past three (3) years and the dates of residency at that address:

Address (Most recent first)

Dates

1. 111 W. Ells Ave. 8/1/2019-Present

2. _____

3. _____

Present Occupation

Case Manager III at Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office

Voter Registration

Attach a copy of proof of voter registration.

Education and Training

Please list the formal education or training you have received. Be sure to include all training which is related in some way to preparation for serving as Township Supervisor.

<u>Dates of Study</u>	<u>Name, Type of School or Instructor</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Degree/Certificate</u>
<u>August 2013</u>	<u>University of Illinois</u>	<u>History</u>	<u>Bachelors</u>

Experience

Beginning with your most recent employment, volunteer work, or life experience, please state your previous experience. Be sure to include all experiences which are related to preparation for serving as Township Supervisor.

1. Company/Employer and Type of Business or Area of Experience: _____
____ Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office. General Assistance case management, rental assistance case management, rapid rehousing case management, eviction advocacy, event planning, overseeing office interns, creating community partnerships, creating informational materials related to rights and resources, discrimination advocacy, housing and homeless case management for USD 116 schools, and assisting with grant writing and data collection.

Position: Case Manager III

Dates of Employment/Experiences: From: 9/11/2017 To: Present

2. Company/Employer and Type of Business or Area of Experience:
Rantoul City Schools-Northview Elementary School. Work focused on students with behavioral disabilities, developmental disabilities and early childhood students.

Position: Teacher's Assistant

Dates of Employment/Experiences: From: Jan. 2017 To: September 2017

3. Company/Employer and Type of Business or Area of Experience: The Pavilion Foundation Hospital. Behavioral health system.

Position: Mental Health Technician

Dates of Employment/Experiences: From: Aug. 2015 To: Mar. 2017

Boards and Commissions

Please list any boards, commissions or task forces on which you currently serve by appointment of the Mayor or City Council of the City of Champaign.

n/a

Public Office

Please list any public offices currently held by appointment or election of the governing body of a unit of local government, school district, State constitutional officer or Illinois General Assembly.

<u>Office</u>	<u>Appointed by/Elected</u>	<u>Term</u>
Champaign County Board	2016	2022-2024

Community Involvement

Please list volunteer organizations that you are involved with locally:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Dates</u>

Honors, Awards, Recognition

Please list any honors, awards or recognition which you have received:

<u>Honor, Award, Recognition</u>	<u>Received From</u>	<u>Dates</u>
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Leadership in Government Award Champaign County Health Care Consumers 2019

Potential Conflict of Interest

Can you think of any relationship or other reason which might possibly constitute a conflict of interest if you are selected to serve as Township Supervisor? (This question is not meant to disqualify you; it is only intended to provide information.)

No.

Have you been convicted of any infamous crime, bribery, perjury, or other felony? If so, please list the offense, date and court of conviction. 60 ILCS 1/55-6.

No.

Personal Statement

Please write a brief statement concerning why you are interested in serving Township Supervisor.

Through my experience at the Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office and serving on the Champaign County Board I have discovered that public service is my calling and serving as the City of Champaign Township Supervisor is the most effective way I can expand that dedication to public service. The Township Supervisor is a unique elected office in that the role serves the public directly and specifically helps our community's most vulnerable members and that is what I wish to dedicate my professional career to.

I believe my experience working for the Cunningham Township Supervisor gives me a unique experience and makes me directly qualified to serve as the Supervisor in the City of Champaign. I am a lifelong resident of the City of Champaign, it is where I was raised, educated K-College, and where I am raising my own family. I believe that in this role I can do the most to serve the community I love so much.

Supplemental Questions

1. What do you see as the most pressing need in the City of Champaign Township? Why?
I believe the most pressing need for residents of the Township is housing security. Champaign and Urbana have high rental rates compared to surrounding communities and this creates a burden on low income and working-class residents. Since the ending of the COVID-19 eviction moratorium, we have seen a dramatic increase in evictions throughout our community and many of these cases involve families with minor children. Losing housing and potentially living house to house or in places not meant for human habitation for an extended period impacts the mental health of children greatly and potentially for the long term.

2. Prior to learning about the Township Supervisor vacancy, have you ever been to a Town Board meeting or City Council meeting? If yes, what was the topic or topics you were interested in?

I have attended or watched the stream of multiple City Council and Town Board meetings. Some of the topics that interest me have been discussions related to housing access and community violence reduction.

3. What in your qualifications or background make you the right person for this appointment?

I have worked at the Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office in the City of Urbana for 6+ years. I believe being experienced in this exact type of office in the same community brings a unique level of experience that has prepared me to work in this role.

I am a lifelong resident of the City of Champaign Township and have a thorough understanding of the needs of the community and I have built relationships and knowledge of resources that can be utilized to have a significant impact on the effectiveness of this office.

4. What are some of your long-range objectives for the City of Champaign Township?

It is vital for the Township to secure a long-term funding source for Strides to ensure its longevity. Funding this critical resource will likely require increased direct revenue for the township in order to have a secure revenue source, something that cannot always be guaranteed from grants or other funding sources.

Another long-term objective would be to work to maintain qualified dedicated staff to ensure the highest quality of service possible. Staff retention is a necessity for providing consistent and competent services to the community.

I would also like to expand General Assistance beyond those with pending Social Security disability applications to include able bodied residents of the township with no income source. Cunningham Township offers a program similar to this which offers work experience, training opportunities and connection to continuing education resources, to aid program participants in securing adequate employment.

5. What do you see as successful qualities of a Township Supervisor?

Some of the successful qualities of a Township Supervisor include the ability to be in-touch with the needs of low-income residents and to be responsive to those needs and abilities in order to make the programs of the office accessible and effective to those they are meant to serve.

A successful Township Supervisor is responsive to the needs and suggestions of frontline staff who are performing the day-to-day duties of the Township and hold valuable insight. This improves the quality of services provided by the Township and will be helpful to staff retention.

A successful Supervisor must also manage funds accurately and responsibly to ensure the longevity of programs to the community by avoiding funding shortfalls.

6. What is the role of a Township Supervisor?

The role of the Township Supervisor is to oversee and implement General Assistance and any other programs the Supervisor chooses to operate within the Supervisor's office, manage the Township budget and serve as an advocate for low-income residents through intergovernmental and interagency relationships.

7. Give us an example of a time you solved a difficult problem or issue.

While serving at the Cunningham Township Supervisor's Office I have noticed pitfalls in misinterpreted responses to application questions, so I worked to draft new, more clear language to eliminate any confusion.

At Cunningham Township we were experiencing a situation where intake appointments were so heavily scheduled that applicants would have to wait weeks to have their intake appointment and most applicants were not showing up to appointments. I then designed a new system in which applicants could not be scheduled an intake appointment until they had submitted all necessary paperwork first. This led to a much shorter wait time and the vast majority of appointments being attended by applicants.

8. How would you support the Strides shelter? What are your ideas for long term funding and hiring and retention of employees for the shelter?

I would support Strides by being very involved in the facility by spending time there and becoming well aware of the day-to-day functions and operations of the facility and familiarizing myself with the staff and their needs.

I believe the best way to obtain permanent revenue for Strides is by increasing revenue through the Township's tax levy. While tax increases are not always popular, I believe the cause of funding such an important community resource can win approval from Township voters.

A strategy for staff retention at Strides involves listening to staff and leadership at Strides to understand their needs and ideas for improvements and act on those items. I feel it is important for the Supervisor to take a hands-on role in helping solve problems at the facility.

References

* Current City of Champaign Town Board/City Council Members should not be included below.

Name: Steve Summers

Occupation: Champaign County Executive

Address: 7(1)(b) - Home Address

Home Phone: 7(1)(b) - Personal Telephone Number

Business Phone: 217-384-3776

Name: Charles Larenas

Occupation: Professor

Address: 7(1)(b) - Home Address

Home Phone: 7(1)(b) - Personal Telephone Number

Business Phone: 217-353-2161

Name: Danielle Chynoweth

Occupation: Cunningham Township Supervisor

Address: 7(1)(b) - Home Address

Home Phone: 7(1)(b) - Personal

Business Phone: 217-384-4144

Submitted by:

7(1)(b) - Signature

Printed Name

7(1)(b) - Signature

Signature

1/7/2018

Date

KYLE E PATTERSON

Voter ID:	7(1)(c) -	Address:	111 ELLS AVE CHAMPAIGN, IL 61820
State ID:	99YJJ52Y	Tax Code:	
Date of Reg.:	12/02/2019	Precinct:	0414 City of Champaign 14
Voter Status:	Private Voter	Polling Place:	Mellon Administrative Center 703 S New Champaign, IL 61820
Party:	DEMOCRATIC		
Gender:	Male		
DOB - Age:	7(1)(c) - Date of Birth		
Home Phone:		Precinct Committeeman:	No
Work Phone:		Deputy Registrar:	No
Email:		Election Judge:	No

Voting Districts

*FEDERAL
State of Illinois
*13TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
*52ND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT
*103RD REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT
*CHAMPAIGN COUNTY
*COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT 7
*5TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
*6TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
CITY OF CHAMPAIGN
CHAMPAIGN CITY COUNCIL 2
RS-9 (Champaign-Ford)
CITY OF CHAMPAIGN TOWNSHIP
CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT
PARKLAND COLLEGE 505
URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SANITARY
*CITY OF CHAMPAIGN 14
CHAMPAIGN FORD #9
CHAMPAIGN SCHOOL DISTRICT 4
CHAMPAIGN-URBANA MTD
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY FOREST
CHAMPAIGN-URBANA PUBLIC HEALTH

Voting History

2023 Consolidated Election -
2022 General Election -
2022 General Primary - Democratic
2021 Consolidated Election -
2021 Consolidated Primary - Democratic
2020 General Election -
2020 General Primary - Democratic
2019 Consolidated Election
2018 General Election
2018 General Primary - DEMOCRAT
2017 Consolidated Election
2016 General Election
2016 General Primary - DEMOCRAT
2015 Consolidated Election
2014 General Election
2014 General Primary - DEMOCRAT
2013 Consolidated Election
2012 General Election
2012 General Primary - DEMOCRAT
2011 Consolidated Election
2010 General Election
2010 General Primary - DEMOCRAT
2009 Consolidated Election
2008 General Election

*Denotes Active District for the upcoming March 19, 2024 Primary Election.

Public Records Exemptions

The following information explains the factual basis for the redactions applied to the responsive records provided to you, pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/7 *et al.*

Reason	Description	Pages
7(1)(b) - Personal Telephone Number	7(1)(b) Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order	1, 7
7(1)(b) - Personal Email Address	7(1)(b) Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order	1
7(1)(b) - Home Address	7(1)(b) Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order	7
7(1)(b) - Signature	7(1)(b) Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order	7
7(1)(c) - Date of Birth	7(1)(c) Personal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the individual subjects of the information. "Unwarranted invasion of personal privacy" means the disclosure of information that is highly personal or objectionable to a reasonable person and in which the subject's right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in obtaining the information. The disclosure of information that bears on the public duties of public employees and officials shall not be considered an invasion of personal privacy	8
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