



BOARD AND COMMISSION APPLICATION

Thrive Upstate (formerly Disabilities and Special Needs Board)

The Thrive Upstate Board meets at 4:30 p.m. on the 4th Thursday of each month at 1700 Ridge Road, Greenville.

Personal Information

Name:	Joseph Nixon	Birthdate:	
Prefix:	Mr.	City/State/Zip:	
Home Address:		Phone #:	
Email:		Driver's License #:	
Voter Registration #:		Occupation:	President
Employer:	Triangle Construction Co. Inc.	School Attended:	Clemson University
Highest Degree Earned:	Bachelors of Science	Field of Study:	Civil Engineering
Year of Graduation:	1993	Social Media Profile:	
Linked In Profile:			

Experience / Certifications / Interest

Military Experience:

None

Certifications:

Licensed General Contractor and Construction Manager in South Carolina.

Civic Organizations / Other Affiliations:

Joseph Bryant Nixon has served on the Board of Thrive Upstate since 2014. Bryant has previously served on the boards of Trees Greenville, and The Greenville Chamber of Commerce Leadership Development Board of Regents. He was a member of Leadership Greenville Class 32.

Volunteer Experience (please list and describe):

He is also an active member and vestry member of Christ Church Episcopal in Greenville.

My interest in serving on the Thrive Upstate (formerly Disabilities and Special Needs Board) is:

Our family has learned the importance of advocating for and supporting a child with special needs and that has enabled and motivated me to be a part of the organization that does this for so many in this community. Further, by serving on the Board of Thrive Upstate, it is an honor to be a small part in upholding its Mission: To provide all people with disabilities and special needs with meaningful services, opportunities, and support, so they may thrive in life, work and play.

Describe your understanding of the position for which you are applying:

To work as a Board to ensure that the GCDSNB fulfills its purposes and obligations, and that the GCDSNB achieves intended outcomes for clients, and operates in an effective, efficient, and ethical manner.

Describe your strengths or skills that would positively contribute to the Thrive Upstate (formerly Disabilities and Special Needs Board):

Since 1998, I have been employed by Triangle Construction Company, Inc. where I am a shareholder and President. I have lead Triangle's operations with local clients such as Bob Jones University, Grace Church, and Furman University. I am actively involved in day to day management of the company, with oversight of strategic planning and execution. My business experiences and my prior experience at Thrive enable me to be a positive contributor.

My community topics of concern that relate to the Thrive Upstate (formerly Disabilities and Special Needs Board) are:

State Funding and Bed availability for our clients.

Other elected or appointed offices / Ethics / Legal

Do you currently hold an elected or appointed office or commission?

Yes No

If yes, please list:

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Have you previously held an elected or appointed office or commission?

Yes No

If yes, please list:

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Have you ever been fined for an ethics violation?

Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation?

Yes No

If yes, please give details:

Are you currently, or have you ever been, a part or party to any litigation with or against Greenville County?

Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Additional Questions

Would you be willing to submit to a criminal background check and/or credit check?

Yes No

Are you aware of the meeting schedule and time commitment for the Thrive Upstate (formerly Disabilities and Special Needs Board)?

Yes No

Have you attended a meeting of the Thrive Upstate (formerly Disabilities and Special Needs Board)?

Yes No

Are you aware of the County's attendance policy as it relates to boards and commissions?

Yes No

Are you aware this is not a compensated position?

Yes No

Conflict of Interest

It is the policy of Greenville County to require disclosure of any personal or financial interest that may be influenced by decisions of the Committee, Board or Commission for which any citizen applies for membership.

Do you or a member of your immediate family provide goods and/or services to this board?

Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Do you or a member of your immediate family receive direct services from this board?

Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Our daughter Mary has special needs, attends the Washington Center, and receives services through Thrive Upstate.

Do you or a member of your immediate family financially benefit from the actions of this board?

Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Does your employer provide goods and/or services to this board?

Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Does your employer receive direct services from this board?

Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Does your employer financially benefit from the actions of this board?

Yes No

If yes, please explain:

Statement of Agreement and Understanding

Electronic Signature Agreement. By selecting the "Submit" button, you are signing this Application electronically (e-signature), you agree your "e-signature" is the legal equivalent of your manual signature on this Application. Additionally, you agree to and attest to the following:

All information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

I understand it is my responsibility to insure my application is submitted within the application period and that it has been received by the County Council office.

I have read the Greenville County Board and Commission Policy and I understand the rules of conduct for the seat for which I am applying.

I understand my lack of attendance for three (3) consecutive meetings or 25% of all regular scheduled meetings within a year may result in my removal from the board.

I understand that I serve at the pleasure of County Council and all appointments are subject to the Ethics, Government Accountability, and Campaign Reform Act, S.C. Code Ann. Section 8-13-100 et. seq., and any member appointed to a board or commission whose action is inconsistent or may be perceived to be inconsistent with the spirit or intent of the Act may be subject for removal.

I understand that information provided in this application may be subject to South Carolina Freedom of Information disclosure.

Signature: Joseph Bryant Nixon

Date: 9/23/2024

Applicants are encouraged to notify their representing Council Member of their interest to be considered for a desired board seat.