Form Name: Citizens Commission Submission Time: April 1, 2019 2:40 pm	
Name	Cheryl Crawford
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Citizenship Affirmation	I am a U.S. Citizen
Residency Affirmation	I am a resident of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Statement of Intent	I intend to comply with and advance the policy established by this Act.
Statement of Interest	I would very much like to serve on a Commission whose goal is to address the influence of corporate money in politics; to contribute in shaping a better democracy. Because of my life-long commitment to an equitable and civil society, I am adamant that corporate dollars should not replace individuals.
	I believe that in order to have a more representative and inclusive democracy, we must limited the amount of corporate money in politics.
Résumé or Summary of Qualifications Upload	https://s3.amazonaws.com/files.formstack.com/uploads/3282862/71887710 /490367803/71887710_bio_2018photo.docx
Political Party Affiliation, if any, over the previous five years	Democratic
Clty or Town where you reside	BOSTON
Employment Status	Employed
Occupation	Executive Director
Employer	Massachusetts Voter Education Network, Inc. (MassVOTE)



## **Cheryl Clyburn Crawford**

Cheryl Clyburn Crawford is the Executive Director at MassVOTE. She is the critical force behind the organization's recruitment of coalition members, volunteers, and new donors. She has developed and maintains strong connections in the nonprofit, educational and legislative sectors for the purpose of engaging and influencing legislation.

Cheryl has worked with organizations, community activists, legislators and concerned citizens across Massachusetts to review and analyze the political landscape in a collaborative process that resulted in the drawing of new political boundaries that helped to empower groups that are underrepresented and which made practical sense for their communities. The redistricting process yielded meaningful results.

Cheryl took the lead, through MassVOTE and collaborated with several grassroots, community based organizations and agencies to host a number of forums, which brought together over 40 community groups, more than, 2,000 people in combined attendance at events designed to ensure that the candidates questions and address the concerns from the people they sort to represent.

MassVOTE under Cheryl's leadership and in collaboration with their coalition partners was successful in the passing of monumental election reform legislation which included Early Voting, Pre-Registration for 16 and 17 year olds, online voter registration, and several other key pieces of legislation.

Cheryl's accomplishments include the opportunity to volunteer with the NAACP-Boston Branch as the 1st Vice President. She is a former Executive Board Member of Emerge Massachusetts, a political leadership training program for Democratic women in Massachusetts. Cheryl is a Co-Chair of the Oversight and Planning Board for the Women's Pipeline for Change. She has for several years been an active member of Mount Zion Chapter #21 of the Order of the Eastern Star; a Prince Hall affiliated organization. In addition, she is the Vice President of the Garrison Trotter Neighborhood Association, a community based organization that has more than 38 years of serving the Roxbury area in Boston.

Before taking on a leadership role at MassVOTE, Cheryl served as the Campaign Manager for her first successful win and then, Chief of Staff to State Representative Willie Mae Allen in the 6<sup>th</sup> Suffolk District. Her commitment to public education and open access to civic programs is demonstrated in her work which also includes serving as a poll worker and an Election Day monitor for local and national elections.