
Multilingual Access Advisory Committee Membership Application Form

Introduction: The Multilingual Access Advisory Committee (MAAC) will assist the Employment Development Department (EDD) by providing expertise on language accessibility issues and advising on emerging practices that enhance multilingual services for Limited English Proficient (LEP) populations and Deaf and Hard of Hearing communities that EDD serves.

The ideal candidate will have experience working with diverse language populations throughout California and will consult and advise the EDD's Language Access Office on strategies for providing effective language assistance services.

Desirable Qualifications:

1. Applicants should understand EDD services combined with experience in at least one of the following service areas: labor, workforce development, work-related public benefits, and healthcare.
2. Applicants should have volunteer or paid organizational experience in one or more areas, such as advocacy groups, community-based and community-service organizations, community-based interpretation/translation service providers, community-based interpretation/translation training providers, academic language programs, and labor unions.
3. Applicants should have experience in one or more regions throughout California including urban or rural communities.
4. Applicants shall indicate which language communities they represent, such as Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing, Limited English Proficient populations in the top 15 non-English languages spoken by adults aged 18 to 65 in California (Spanish, Cantonese, Mandarin, Vietnamese, Tagalog, Korean, Armenian, Arabic, Farsi, Punjabi, Russian, Japanese, Hindi, Mon-Khmer (Cambodian), and Thai) or other languages including American Sign Language, Indigenous Languages (spoken in Latin America) including spoken languages without a writing system (sometimes called "oral languages").

Instructions: To apply complete the application and email EDD's Language Access Office at LanguageAccess@edd.ca.gov and include in the email subject line: MAAC Application.

Deadline: May 2, 2025

1. Personal Information:

Please provide your Full name and Contact information*:

Full Name:

Personal Phone:

Business Phone:

Mailing Address:

Home Address:

Business Email Address:

Personal Email Address:

2. Please provide your current job title and the name of the organization you represent. *

3. Please check the language(s) you are fluent in. *

Spanish ☐/Cantonese ☐/ Mandarin ☐/ Vietnamese ☐/ Tagalog ☐/ Korean☐/
Armenian☐/ Arabic☐/ Farsi☐/ Punjabi ☐/ Russian ☐/ Japanese ☐/ Hindi ☐/ Mon-
Khmer (Cambodian) ☐

Thai ☐/ American Sign Language ☐/ Indigenous Languages (please specify
language(s) and variants below) ☐/ Other ☐ Please specify below:

4. Which regional area(s) do you represent? Please check all that apply. *

Northern California ☐ Southern California ☐ Central Valley ☐ Central Coast ☐

5. Do you represent an urban area ☐ rural area ☐ both urban and rural ☐ areas?
Please list the city/cities and county/counties you represent below:

6. Please provide details of relevant paid or volunteer experience working on solutions to language accessibility issues, advising on emerging practices that enhance multilingual services for Limited English Proficient (LEP) populations and Deaf and Hard of Hearing communities that EDD serves. Please describe the organization where you worked on these projects and your role.*

7. Please explain your interest and motivation to join the EDD Multilingual Access Advisory Committee; and what your contributions will be to promoting multilingual access initiatives. *

8. Describe how your skills and experience make you a suitable candidate for the Committee. *

9. Attend Committee meetings once every two months for 1.5 hours resulting in a minimum time commitment of about 15 hours per calendar year and attend special ad-hoc meetings as needed. Engage and participate on the Committee through December 31, 2025. *

Yes ☐ No ☐

10. Please provide the name and contact information of two individuals who can serve as a reference for your membership candidacy. *

11. Signature:

12. Date: