San Antonio Youth Commission District 2	Application No: No: 20220110195112_12291
PROFILE	
Prefix	Ms.
Last Name	Orellana
First Name	Jennifer
Middle Name	Miguel
Suffix	
Preferred Name	Jennifer
Address Type?	Residence
Address	
City	San Antonio
State	TX
Zip	78203
Phone Type?	Cell
Phone number	
Phone 2 Type?	
Phone 2 number	
Address 2 Type?	Business
Address 2	
City 2	San Antonio
State 2	TX
Zip 2	
eMail	
Board/Commission/Committee Name	San Antonio Youth Commission~District 2~~09
DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION	
The City of San Antonio strives for boards and commissions to be representative of our diverse community. Providing the following demographic information is voluntary, and will only be used for statistical and reporting purposes.	
Race/Ethnicity (Please select all that apply):	Hispanic/Latino/a
Gender:	Female
Age:	Under 18
Your age:	
Appointees to the Youth Commission must be at least at the freshman grade level at the time of appointment. Appointment is for a maximum of a two year period at the sophomore or junior grade level. Senior grade level appointees serve for one	

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year. Commission meetings are held at least once a month at City Hall or at various high schools throughout the city, at specific times and dates. Sometimes, because of special projects or other scheduled activities, meetings may be increased to more than once a month. Attendance at these meetings is mandatory. Limited excused absences can lead to removal from office. Upon appointment, commissioners are required to submit a signed parental consent form to the Department of Community Initiatives.	
Do you identify as a sexual minority (such as lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer, etc.)?	No
PLEASE PROVIDE FOLLOWING SCHOOL INFORMATION	
School Name:	St. Philip"s Early College High School
Principal's Name:	Ashlyn Barrientes
Principal's Phone:	2104862406
School City:	San Antonio
School State:	TX
School Zip Code:	78203
School Address:	1801 Martin Luther King Dr.
Grade Level:	11
Expected Year of Graduation.	2023
HOBBIES & INTEREST	
School Involvement: List activities, clubs and other organizations in which you are involved or have been involved in the school or schools that you have atteded. Include office, committee or leadership positions.	As I attend an early college high school it allows me to be involved in both high school and college student government. I have helped organized days known as "spirit days" for my college, which are days we make the campus extra comfortable. On "spirit days" we offer free food and activities that our students can participate in, as we know college may be a stressful time. I have helped my high school with events that show appreciation for everything the students do. On the last friday before winter break, I helped organize a half day, where students had a variety of rooms to choose from and each room offered a different environment. We in the student council decided that the students should have the power to choose what they wanted to do on that last day.
Community Involvement: List civic, religious or other community organizations or activities in which you are involved or activities in which you are involved or have been involved in the past. Include office, committee or leadership positions. List affiliations other than San Antonio as appropriate.	I am currently involved with an organization called "Girl Zone" which helps empower young women. I mentor and offer a safe space for these young girls to express themselves. I have led workshops where they create a pieces of art to convey their emotions on certain subjects. A local group I used to work with was "Circles in the Hood" which focused on both spirituality and politics. In Circles in the Hood,

	we used to focus on the importance of healing generational trauma through spiritual therapy. I was a part of their youth led research team, in which we would gather information about our own high schools.
Awards: List personal awards, special recognition and honors that you have received.	I went to the regional science fair and placed 3rd. I have been in the gifted and talented program since elementary school. I was able to get a internship with Harvard about political disagreements. The internship is helping me better comprehend politics and people.
List those goals you most want to accomplish immediately after graduating High School or within the next four years.	I would like to go to a college of my choice to pursue a degree in political science. I would like to open an eco-friendly shop. I would like to continue to be a strong advocate for what the youth of America needs. I would like to achieve a large platform and share political commentary online to put my voice out in the world. Help out in campaigns of political figures I believe in and share views with.
Given the opportunity to influence a significant change in San Antonio, what youth-related issue would you address?	The pandemic put a strain on the youth of America"s mental health that is incalculable. Depression and anxiety levels in youth have doubled compared to years prior the pandemic. These issues may be hard to discuss as they may seem taboo or shameful, which is part of the problem. I personally have been affected by poor mental health and know others around me that have too. Wanting to be mentally healthy can be just as important as being physically healthy. That is why I think it is so important to repair the psychological damage that is affecting to San Antonio in these troubling times.
What approach would you take? Who would you work with? Why this particular issue?	I would work with local communities to create inviting "safe spaces" where youth have available resources to help them improve their mental stability. The main point of the safe spaces would be to act as a sort of cathartic therapy like Alcoholics Anonymous. Where no one is judged but instead listened to. Where the youth could talk and heal from their experiences. The spaces would push to destigmatize mental health and educate on the importance of taking care of it.
APPLICATION SIGN-OFF	
I acknowledge the conditions for appointment and agree to participate actively. I further agree to abide by both the Rules and Regulations of Boards and Commissions and those of the Youth Commission of the City of San Antonio.	Acknowledged
I understand that if any member of the public makes a request for information included in this	Acknowledged

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Application for Appointment, most of the information must be disclosed under the Public Information Act. I understand that the City of San Antonio will attempt to maintain the confidentiality of highly private matters by seeking an Attorney General's opinion in accordance with the Public Information Act. I understand that it may not be legally possible to maintain the confidentiality of such information, and I hereby release the City of San Antonio, and its agents, employees and officers, from any and all liability whatsoever if the information must be released pursuant to the Public Information Act or any other law requiring its release.	
OATH: I have read and understand the guidelines set out in this application. The foregoing statements are true, accurate, and complete. I agree that any misrepresentation or omission of facts may result in my disqualification for appointment.	Acknowledged
Enter Your Name	Jennifer Orellana
Date of submission.	1/10/2022
The Texas Public Information Act provides that each government official may choose whether to allow the public access to the information in the custody of the City that contains your home address, home telephone number, or reveals whether you have family members. Please note that this does not apply to business addresses, which are subject to public disclosure. If an open records request is filed requesting to view or obtain records that contain your personal information, the City will take steps to protect your personal information as authorized by the Texas Public Information Act, but only if you have elected to protect personal information.	
I want the public to have access to my Home Address.	No
I want the public to have access to my Home Telephone Number.	Yes
I want the public to have access to my Social Security Number.	No
I want the public to have access to my Emergency Contact Information.	No
I want the public to have access to my Family Information.	No
Please attach any additional information, such as a current resume, using the Attachments panel at the bottom of this page.	