

Candidate Profile for Jasmine Jennilee Calix, employee at Saskatoon Police Service (SPS)

Position sought: Cupe 59 Area Vice-President for Saskatoon Police Service and Fire Department

Election Date: Thursday, June 13, 2019



My name is Jasmine Jennilee Calix, and I have been an SPS employee in the Crime Free Multi-Housing Unit (CFMH) for the past 4 years. I enjoy working here, and feel privileged to be part of such an important organization whose aim is to make lives better and safer.

I first became more involved with CUPE about 3 years ago, when I was appointed as the Saskatchewan representative on CUPE's National Committee on Anti-racism, Discrimination and Employment Equity. This role has allowed me to analyze the SPS, various city departments, and the community as a whole to ensure that the committee's 3 main areas of focus, mentioned above, are being adequately addressed, and if not, helping to craft policies and programs that will help in that regard. In February 2018, I was appointed as a Steward for SPS. I received comprehensive steward training in April 2018. Volunteering with the union has taught me the importance of members having a collective voice to implement change.

I have a Bachelor's degree in Politics from Washington & Lee University and Master's degree in Politics and International Relations from the U of S. Since 2005, I have worked in a variety of roles at all levels of government in Canada as well as in higher education (U of S): for the federal government at the Canadian Embassy in Washington DC; for the provincial government at the Saskatchewan Municipal Board in Regina; and now the City of Saskatoon at SPS. I have also worked in higher education, as a research analyst in the area of fundraising, for the University of Saskatchewan. The common theme underlying my work experiences has been advocating as an agent for change at the ground level.

I currently sit on the board of the Martensville Housing Authority. In the past I have also served as president of my Condo Board, vice-president of Education for Habitat for Humanity, President's Advisory Council on the Status of Women at the U of S, and member of the Saskatchewan Arts Board.

As Area Vice President, I will work to represent all members fairly and equally, make sure all voices are heard, and deal with issues in a timely manner. I will work to ensure no one is taken advantage of, and that our employer is accountable. I will also advocate for Police and Fire during bargaining periods.

On Thursday, June 13th, please cast your vote for me. I look forward to working with all of you. **Vote for Jasmine. Vote for Stability & Continuity.**