

**City of Seattle  
Notice of Appointment**

<b>Name:</b> <b>Michael Neguse</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Executive Reappointment</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Legislative Appointment</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Agency Appointment</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>PDA Council</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>PDA Constituency</b>
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <b>Renton</b>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <b>98055</b>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>206-684-4500</b></p>
<b>Appointed to:</b> <b>Seattle Immigrant and Refugee Advisory Board</b>		<b>Date of Appointment:</b> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>March 19, 2012</b></p>
<b>Authority (Ord., Res.):</b> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ordinance 118392</b></p>		<b>Term of Office:</b> <b>From: Confirmation</b> <b>To: 01/31/2014</b>
<b>Comments:</b>  <p><b>Michael T. Neguse</b> is a trusted leader in the East African community and has worked in tandem with the City of Seattle on several projects related to housing, mental health and crime prevention. Michael is a community organizer working with all people in his community, whether it be mentoring at-risk youth, offering translation and facilitating conflict resolution among differing ethnic groups, or teaching English as a Second Language for seniors. Seattle Human Rights Day Award Winner of 2008, Michael also offers guidance for newly-arrived immigrants seeking employment and teaches U.S. Citizenship in Amharic and Tigrigna. Michael serves as Crime Prevention Coordinator with Seattle Police Department providing crime prevention and outreach services to Seattle's African immigrant communities, as well as to East African immigrants to provide information about crime prevention to parents and youth. He also recruits residents to participate in SPD's East African Advisory Council and with the African/African American Unity Group. Michael speaks many languages including Amharic, Tigrinya, Somali, and Arabic</p>		
<b>Authorizing Signature:</b>  		<b>Name and Title of Officer Making Appointment:</b> Mayor Michael McGinn

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## **Michael Neguse**

### **WORK EXPERIENCE:**

**5-85 to 12-86 Yesler Terrace community clinic.**

Worked as laboratory assistant and as a community health advocate my duties included processing specimen take vital signs urine exam escort patients to exam rooms translated for Arabic Tigrigna and Amharic patients.

**June 2/1997 to July 1999 Teen health project**

**Innovative program research group**

**UW School of social Work**

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Translated organized-outreached recruited East African parents and teens to attend workshops classes about Aids HIV Prevention Translated materials in Amharic And Tigrigna language.

**April 1, 1997 - 12 1998: Yesler Terrace Neighborhood House, 825 Yesler Way, Seattle, WA. 98104. (206) 461-4522, fax (206) 461-8311.**

Employed as a regular, part-time (20 hours) Family Support Worker. Duties included providing comprehensive and holistic case management assistance to residents of the Yesler Terrace Garden Community, specifically to East African residents, in four areas; crisis intervention, family and economic stabilization, Health education counseling and employment options and technical assistance to resident groups. Providing outreach and serving as a liaison for the East African Community and service providers, with a focus on acquiring and retaining employment. Advocating for East African residents of Yesler Terrace with government, founders and Health Care service providers. Providing translation and interpretation services throughout the agency, translation for the agency newspaper "The Voice", in Amharic and Tigrigna translation and interpretation for Yesler Terrace interagency service providers - the Seattle Housing Authority, Seattle Police Department Community Service Crime Prevention and the Yesler Terrace Community Council. Facilitating two ESL/citizenship classes for East African-speaking clients. Assisting agency program development staff in

planning, developing and implementing appropriate curricula, services and programs for East African refugees and immigrants.

**September 15 – 1997 to 11-2001 Horn of Africa Services,**

**825 Yesler Way, Seattle, WA 98104. (206) 344 5872**

Program Coordinator and Outreach Worker Specialist II for East African families and youth. Providing information and referral, Job Placement advocacy, outreach reaching counseling citizenship class teacher translation and interventions for families and Youth senior citizens living at Yesler Terrace High point Rainier Vista in Seattle and king county Parent Educator produced citizenship instructional video in Somali Amharic Tigrigna Oromiffa for Horn Of Africa Services and on 2009 produced prepared citizenship DVD in Amharic and Tigrigna for Seattle Public library.

Recruited youth for PAAC Horn Of Africa Services International Housing Alliance Seattle Housing Authority Asian Counseling Referral Service PAAC stands for promoting assets across culture. The program is founded to bring East African and South East Asian Youth To work together and understand each other values and cultures.

Facilitate parent And Youth meetings with youth specialist workers.

September 1, - March 30, 1997: Yesler Terrace Community Council, Yesler Terrace Garden Community, and Seattle, WA 98104. Worked For Yesler Terrace Community Council as an immigrants and refugees; Translated and interpreted in Amharic, Tegrinia and Arabic.

Duties included assisting residents with basic needs issues such as employment, job readiness, job search, public safety, youth and family, senior needs, adult education, ESL/citizenship, voter registration and adjusting to American culture, immigration/refugee issues, welfare reform/socioeconomic influences; working with agency program staff, service providers and funders to plan, develop and implement culturally sensitive and relevant programs for Dynamic Languages

Seattle, WA 98188-2383. (206) 244-6709, fax (206) 243-3795. Translator; duties include written and oral Amharic and Tegrinia.

**Seattle Neighborhood Group**

**1810 E Yesler Way**

**Seattle WA 98122**

**11/2001 to present**

Working as crime prevention organizer work with African immigrants and refugees Seattle Police department organize community around crime prevention strategies and activities Analyze crime statics keep records and statistics to facilitate evaluation, engaged communities block watch organizing, East African Community crime prevention advisory council for SPD, conflict resolution

between African American and African communities, organized Somali communities gang prevention summit in Tukwila SeaTac and Seattle.

10-2006 to August 1 2007

**Tenants Union Of Washington State**

5425 B Rainier Ave S Seattle WA 98118 206 722 6864-

Community organizer Tenants Union Of Washington State

Worked as organizer in Justice in South East Seattle Campaign where more than two-thirds of the residents are poor people of color facing gentrification and severe housing issues. Educated residents in leadership development focused organizing resources to address the ways on which housing policies and practice expand racial inequality in South East Seattle. Also organized African businesses to participate in local politics and community activities and work closely with City of Seattle departments.

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10-10-2009 REWA senior program coordinator for Ethiopian and Eritrean Elderly lunch and referral program

## **AWARDS**

City of Seattle office of human right 2008 individual Human right award recipient

## **ASSOCIATIONS/AFFILIATIONS/VOLUNTEERING:**

Horn Of Africa board member

African Community Network board member

East African community SPD advisory board member

African Chamber of Commerce of North west member

## **Skills**

Community organizing/building across cultural and ethnic lines parent and youth educator Computer literate

Positive/open attitude Effective communication skills

Domestic violence councilor for East Africans

Working effectively with volunteers

Strong People skills

Project management

Conflict resolution

Program Conceptualizing

Problem solver

Team player  
4-line telephone switchboard  
Detail oriented

Job Developer  
Learner.  
US citizenship Teacher  
Community Builder

### REFERENCES

Leslie Miller  
South East Seattle District council President  
206 524 4257

Michele Thomas  
Tenants union Of Washington  
206 245 6597

Glenn Harris  
City Of Seattle  
206 617 3648

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Yesler Terrace Community Council  
825 Yesler way  
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Eskender Sarka

Kay Godfrey  
Seattle Neighborhood Group  
(206) 323 9666

Abdullah Jama  
Hate Free Zone  
(206) 227 2165

# Immigrant and Refugee Advisory Board

January 2012

15 Members: Who are confirmed by City Council and serve a term of two years. **3 term maximum.**

- 8 appointed by Mayor
- 7 appointed by City Council

D		Member	I/R	Y	Term #	First Appointed	Term Ends	Position #	Appointing Body
1	M	Shree Ram Dahal	Y		1		1/31/13	2	Council
2	F	Andrea Caupain	Y	Y	2	12/13/07	1/31/13	4	Council
1	F	Cherry Cayabyab	Y	Y	1	11/20/09	1/31/12	10	Council
3	M	Jesus Y. Rodriguez	Y		2	12/13/07	1/31/12	8	Council
1	F	Bincy Jacob	Y		1		1/31/12	14	Council
4	F	Yasemin San	Y		1	9/29/09	1/31/12	6	Council
1	F	Pradeepta Upadhyay	Y		1		1/31/13	12	Council
3	F	Lesley Irizarry-Hougan			1	3/13/09	1/31/13	3	Mayor
3	M	Magdaleno A. Rose-Avila	Y		1	3/13/09	1/31/13	11	Mayor
2	F	Tsegaba Woldehaimanot	Y	Y	1		1/31/13	1	Mayor
3	F	Paulina Lopez Bermudez(VACANT)	Y		2	12/13/07	1/31/13	5	Mayor
4	F	<b>Devon Alisa Abdallah, Ph.D</b>			3	<b>12/13/07</b>	<b>1/31/14</b>	9	<b>Mayor</b>
4	M	Ashraf Alazadi	Y	Y	1		1/31/13	7	Mayor
2	M	Mohamed Sheikh Hassan	Y		2	12/22/10	1/31/14	15	Mayor
2	M	Michael Neguse	Y		2	12/22/10	1/31/14	13	Mayor

## *Diversity\*before vacancies*

Appointed by:	Total		Youth		*I/R		US Born Minority		(1) API		(2) African		(3) Latin@		(4) Mid-East		(5) Other		(6) E European		Vacancies
	Subtotal	14	3	10	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1					
Gender	Women	Men	W	M	W	M	W	M	M	W	W	M	W	M	W	M	W	M	W	M	
Mayor	3	4	1	0	1	4	2	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Council	5	2	2	0	3	2	0	1	1	3	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>