

Vanessa Boukili

From: Jennifer Clifford
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To: Vanessa Boukili
Subject: Jennifer Clifford: letter of interest for Urban Forestry Committee in Somerville
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Dear Dr. Boukili,

Hope this message finds you well. We actually met in 2015 at an Urban Forestry citizen science event in Cambridge that you were leading through Earthwatch. We spoke then about the potential for having an Urban Forestry program in Somerville.

It was with great interest that I read the announcement at somervillema.gov to do just that!

I would love to help out and am very keen to participate. I hold a PhD in Plant Pathology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, have knowledge of soilborne microbes and ecology, and possess decent horticultural skills and knowledge. Further, I am involved in a non-profit community lab in Somerville, where I served on the Board of Directors. Currently, I am involved in coordinating outreach events for the lab, so have gained experience in delivering community-based programs and interacting with the public about science.

I would be delighted for the opportunity to serve on this committee. Attached is a brief resume outlining my qualifications. Please contact me with any questions.

Thank you, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Clifford