

ACCEL Contact List with Area of Specialty - September 2023

Member	Name	City Title	City Department	Email	Work Phone	Area of Specialty
Primary Board Members						
Anaheim	Tracey Matthews	Risk Manager	Human Resources / Risk Management Division	TMatthews@anaheim.net	(714) 765-4466	General Liability, Employment Practices, Litigation Management, Liability Analysis, Contracts, Insurance, Coverage, Writing
Bakersfield	Jena Covey	Risk Manager	Risk Management	jcovey@bakersfieldcity.us	(661) 326-3090	Workers' Comp, Disability Mgmt, Safety
Burbank	Betsy McClinton	Management Services Director	Management Services	EMcClinton@burbankca.gov	(818) 238-5026	Benefits, Labor Relations, Adjusting Liability Claims
Monterey	Rafaela King	Finance Director	Finance	king@monterey.org	(831) 646-3940	
Mountain View	Derek Rampone	Director of Finance & Administrative Services	Finance and Administrative Services	derek.rampone@mountainview.gov	(650) 903-6006	
Ontario	Numeya Williams	Senior Management Analyst	Human Resources / Risk Management	NWilliams@ontarioca.gov	(909) 395-2440	
Palo Alto	Sandra Blanch	Assistant Director HR & Risk Management	Human Resources	Sandra.Blanch@CityofPaloAlto.org	(650) 329-2294	Contracts/Insurance, Safety, Workers' Comp, Interactive Process and Leaves of Absence, Benefits including CalPERS IDR
Salinas	Rhonda Combs	Assistant City Attorney	City Attorney's Office	rhondac@ci.salinas.ca.us	(831) 758-7065	Contractual Risk Transfer, Insurance, Public Agency Liability and Defense, Workers' Comp
Santa Barbara	Mark Howard	Risk Manager	Finance	MHoward@SantaBarbaraCA.gov	(805) 897-2654	Claims management (workers' comp, liability, property, etc); Occupational Safety & Health; Loss Control; Budget; Risk Finance; Insurance; Risk Transfer; Workers' Compensation law; CalPERS IDR
Santa Cruz	Ross Brandon	Risk and Safety Manager	Finance	rbrandon@cityofsantacruz.com	(831) 420-5073	Liability Claims, Safety
Santa Monica	Oles Gordeev	Risk Manager	Risk Management	Oles.Gordeev@santamonica.gov	(310) 458-8385	Workers' Comp, RTW/Interactive Process, Post-offer/Pre-Employment Testing
Visalia	Andrew Guzman	Risk Manager	Risk Management	Andrew.Guzman@visalia.city	(559)713-4335	Benefits, Workers's Comp, Liability
Alternate Board Members						
Burbank	Alvaro Valdez	Assistant Management Services Director	Risk Management/Safety	AValdez@burbankca.gov	(818)238-5019	
Modesto	Christina Alger	Director of Human Resources	Human Resources	calger@modesto.gov	(209)577-5402	
Monterey	Sheila Shanahan	Risk Manager	Finance and Administrative Services	shanahan@monterey.org	(831) 646-3948	General Liability, Auto Liability, Workers' Comp, RTW/Interactive Process, Occupational Safety & Health, Training, TPA & Claim Management
Ontario	Kathy Garozzo	Human Resource Analyst	Human Resources/Risk Management	kgarozzo@ontarioca.gov	(909)395-2087	Liability Claims/Workers' Comp
Salinas	Chris Callihan	City Attorney	City Attorney's Office	chrisc@ci.salinas.ca.us	(831) 758-7418	General Liability, Land Use and Grievance
Santa Barbara	Marisa Kahn	Risk Analyst II	Finance	mkahn@SantaBarbaraCA.gov	(805) 897-2585	Liability Claims
Visalia	Amy Powell	Management Analyst	Human Resources/Risk Management	Amy.Powell@visalia.city	(559) 713-4417	Workers' Comp, Human Resources (recruitment, employee relations), Interactive Process and Leaves of Absence