

**ACCEL Contact List with Area of Specialty - March 2026**

| Member                         | Name                  | City Title                                      | City Department                          | Email  | Work Phone     | Area of Specialty   |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|--|----------------|---|
| <b>Primary Board Members</b>   |                       |   |  |  |                |   |
| Anaheim                        | Tracey Matthews       | Risk Manager                                    | Human Resources/Risk Management Division | <a href="mailto:TMatthews@anaheim.net">TMatthews@anaheim.net</a>                         | (714) 765-4466 | General Liability, Employment Practices, Litigation Management, Liability Analysis, Contracts, Insurance, Coverage, Writing   |
| Bakersfield                    | Jena Covey            | Risk Manager                                    | Risk Management                          | <a href="mailto:icovey@bakersfieldcity.us">icovey@bakersfieldcity.us</a>                 | (661) 326-3090 | Workers' Comp, Disability Mgmt, Safety  |
| Burbank                        | Betsy McClinton       | Management Services Director                    | Management Services                      | <a href="mailto:EMcClinton@burbankca.gov">EMcClinton@burbankca.gov</a>                   | (818) 238-5026 | Benefits, Labor Relations, Adjusting Liability Claims   |
| Modesto                        | Matthew Braley        | Risk Manager                                    | Risk Management                          | <a href="mailto:mbraley@modestogov.com">mbraley@modestogov.com</a>                       | (209) 860-2110 |   |
| Monterey                       | Rafaela King          | Finance Director                                | Finance                                  | <a href="mailto:king@monterey.org">king@monterey.org</a>                                 | (831) 646-3940 |   |
| Mountain View                  | Samhitha Cutshaw      | Risk Manager                                    | Finance and Administrative Services      | <a href="mailto:Samhitha.cutshaw@mountainview.gov">Samhitha.cutshaw@mountainview.gov</a> | (650) 316-2877 | Workers' Comp, Liability, Safety, Contracts, Insurance  |
| Ontario                        | Marquie Lugo          | Principal HR/Risk Management Agency Partner     | Risk Management                          | <a href="mailto:mlugo@ontarioca.gov">mlugo@ontarioca.gov</a>                             | (909) 395-2191 |   |
| Palo Alto                      | Kelly-Louise Poggetti | Risk Manager                                    | Risk Management                          | <a href="mailto:kelly.poggetti@cityofpaloalto.org">kelly.poggetti@cityofpaloalto.org</a> | (650) 329-2677 | Insurance; Contractual Risk Transfer; Risk Finance; Claims Management (Property), Budget  |
| Salinas                        | Rhonda Combs          | Assistant City Attorney                         | City Attorney's Office                   | <a href="mailto:rhondac@ci.salinas.ca.us">rhondac@ci.salinas.ca.us</a>                   | (831) 758-7065 | Contractual Risk Transfer, Insurance, Public Agency Liability and Defense, Workers' Comp  |
| Santa Barbara                  | Greg Milligan         | Risk Manager                                    | Finance                                  | <a href="mailto:gmilligan@santabarbaraca.gov">gmilligan@santabarbaraca.gov</a>           | (805) 335-0852 | General Liability, Work Comp, Occupational Health/Safety, Disability Management, Contractual Risk Transfer, Insurance, Rates Development  |
| Santa Cruz                     | Ross Brandon          | Risk and Safety Manager                         | Finance/Risk Management                  | <a href="mailto:rbrandon@cityofsantacruz.com">rbrandon@cityofsantacruz.com</a>           | (831) 420-5073 | Liability Claims, Safety  |
| Santa Monica                   | Oles Gordeev          | Risk Manager                                    | Risk Management                          | <a href="mailto:Oles.Gordeev@santamonica.gov">Oles.Gordeev@santamonica.gov</a>           | (310) 458-8385 | Workers' Comp, RTW/Interactive Process, Post-offer/Pre-Employment Testing   |
| Visalia                        | Andrew Guzman         | Risk Manager                                    | Risk Management                          | <a href="mailto:Andrew.Guzman@visalia.city">Andrew.Guzman@visalia.city</a>               | (559) 713-4335 | Benefits, Workers' Comp, Liability  |
| <b>Alternate Board Members</b> |                       |   |  |  |                |   |
| Anaheim                        | Donna Starr           | Assistant Risk Manager                          | Human Resource/Risk Management Division  | <a href="mailto:DStarr@anaheim.net">DStarr@anaheim.net</a>                               | (714) 765-4382 | Liability Claims, Contractual Risk Transfer, Claims & Litigation Management   |
| Bakersfield                    | Taylor Wofford        | Fiscal & Admin Services Officer                 | Risk Management                          | <a href="mailto:twofford@bakersfieldcity.us">twofford@bakersfieldcity.us</a>             | 661-326-3454   | Workers' Comp, Disability Mgmt, Budget  |
| Burbank                        | Alvaro Valdez         | Assistant Management Services Director          | Risk Management/Safety                   | <a href="mailto:AValdez@burbankca.gov">AValdez@burbankca.gov</a>                         | (818) 238-5022 | Liability Claims  |
| Modesto                        | Christina Alger       | Director of Human Resources                     | Human Resources                          | <a href="mailto:calger@modestogov.com">calger@modestogov.com</a>                         | (209) 577-5402 |   |
| Monterey                       | Lisa Cox              | Risk Manager                                    | Finance/Risk Management                  | <a href="mailto:cox@monterey.org">cox@monterey.org</a>                                   | (831) 646-3948 |   |
| Mountain View                  | Derek Rampone         | Director of Finance and Administrative Services | Finance and Administrative Services      | <a href="mailto:derek.rampone@mountainview.gov">derek.rampone@mountainview.gov</a>       | (650)903-6006  |   |
| Ontario                        | Kathy Garozzo         | Risk Management Adjuster                        | Human Resources                          | <a href="mailto:kgarozzo@ontarioca.gov">kgarozzo@ontarioca.gov</a>                       | (909) 395-2191 | Liability Claims, Workers' Comp   |
| Palo Alto                      | David Ramberg         | Assistant Director                              | Administrative Services Department       | <a href="mailto:David.Ramberg@CityofPaloAlto.org">David.Ramberg@CityofPaloAlto.org</a>   | (650) 329-2634 |   |
| Salinas                        | Selina Andrews        | Finance Director                                | Finance                                  | <a href="mailto:selinaa@ci.salinas.ca.us">selinaa@ci.salinas.ca.us</a>                   | (831) 758-7420 |   |
| Santa Barbara                  | Keith DeMartini       | Finance Director                                | Finance                                  | <a href="mailto:kdemartini@santabarbaraca.gov">kdemartini@santabarbaraca.gov</a>         | (805) 564-5336 | Financial reporting, audit, payroll, accounts payable, accounts receivable, utility billing, tax administration, treasury, banking, investments, budget, purchasing, risk, deferred compensation, labor relations |
| Visalia                        | Amy Powell            | Management Analyst                              | Human Resources/Risk Management          | <a href="mailto:Amy.Powell@visalia.city">Amy.Powell@visalia.city</a>                     | (559) 713-4417 | Workers' Comp, Human Resources (recruitment, employee relations), Interactive Process and Leaves of Absence   |

| <b>Safety Officers, Claims Managers, other</b> |                  |   |  |  |                |   |
|--|------------------|---|--|--|----------------|---|
| Anaheim  | Todd Pettingill  | Safety Manager                            | Human Resources/Risk Management Division | <a href="mailto:tpettinghill@anaheim.net">tpettinghill@anaheim.net</a>           | (714) 765-4399 | Industrial Safety, CalOSHA, Safety training, Scene Investigations                     |
| Bakersfield                                    | Joe Sheppard     | Safety Officer                            | City Manager's Office/Risk Management    | <a href="mailto:jsheppard@bakersfieldcity.us">jsheppard@bakersfieldcity.us</a>   | (661) 326-3476 | Safety  |
| Burbank  | Michael Keeler   | Environmental Health & Safety Coordinator | Management Services/Risk Management      | <a href="mailto:Mkeeler@burbankca.gov">Mkeeler@burbankca.gov</a>                 | (818) 238-5326 | Safety  |
| Modesto  | Audrena Harlan   | Safety Officer                            | Human Resources/Risk Management          | <a href="mailto:aharlan@modestogov.com">aharlan@modestogov.com</a>               | (209) 571-5134 | Safety  |
| Mountain View                                  | Chris Allen      | Safety and Training Administrator         | Public Works                             | <a href="mailto:chris.allen@mountainview.gov">chris.allen@mountainview.gov</a>   | (650) 903-6207 | Safety  |
| Mountain View                                  | Angela Apitz     | Risk Analyst II                           | Finance/Risk Management                  | <a href="mailto:angela.apitz@mountainview.gov">angela.apitz@mountainview.gov</a> | (650) 903-6053 |   |
| Ontario  | Stefanie Padilla | Risk Management Specialist                | Human Resources/Risk Management          | <a href="mailto:spadilla@ontarioca.gov">spadilla@ontarioca.gov</a>               | (909)395-2973  | Safety  |
| Salinas  | Venissa Rosa     | Risk & Benefits Analyst                   | Human Resources                          | <a href="mailto:venissar@ci.salinas.ca.us">venissar@ci.salinas.ca.us</a>         | (831) 758-7144 | Workers' Comp, Compensation, Safety, Benefits, Interactive Process, Leaves of Absence |
| Santa Barbara                                  | Julie Ruggieri   | Risk Analyst I                            | Finance/Risk Management                  | <a href="mailto:jruggieri@santabarbaraca.gov">jruggieri@santabarbaraca.gov</a>   | (805) 564-5347 | Occupational Safety and Health; Loss Control  |
| Santa Barbara                                  | Michael Ranson   | Risk Analyst II                           | Finance/Risk Management                  | <a href="mailto:mranson@santabarbaraca.gov">mranson@santabarbaraca.gov</a>       | (805) 897-2619 | Workers' Comp Claims  |
| Santa Cruz                                     | Dana Stahl       | Safety Officer                            | Finance/Risk Management                  | <a href="mailto:dstahl@santacruzca.gov">dstahl@santacruzca.gov</a>               | (831) 420-5036 | Safety - Certified Industrial Hygienist   |
| Santa Monica                                   | Don Cocozza      | Safety Administrator                      | Risk Management                          | <a href="mailto:don.cocozza@santamonica.gov">don.cocozza@santamonica.gov</a>     | (310) 458-4908 | Safety  |
| Visalia  | Angie Zimmermann | Safety Officer                            | Human Resources/Risk Management          | <a href="mailto:Angie.Zimmerman@visalia.city">Angie.Zimmerman@visalia.city</a>   | (559) 713-4260 | Safety  |