

# Jurisdiction Registration and Consultant Management

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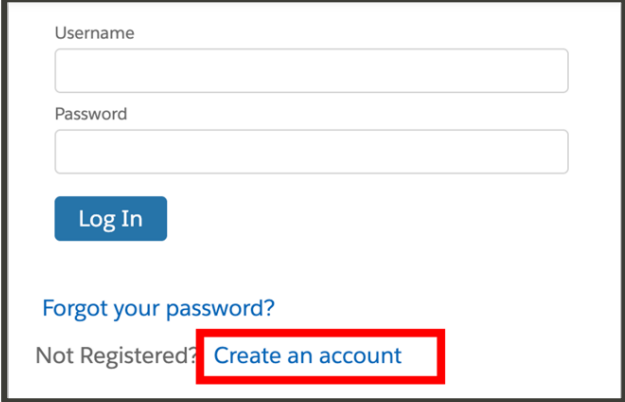
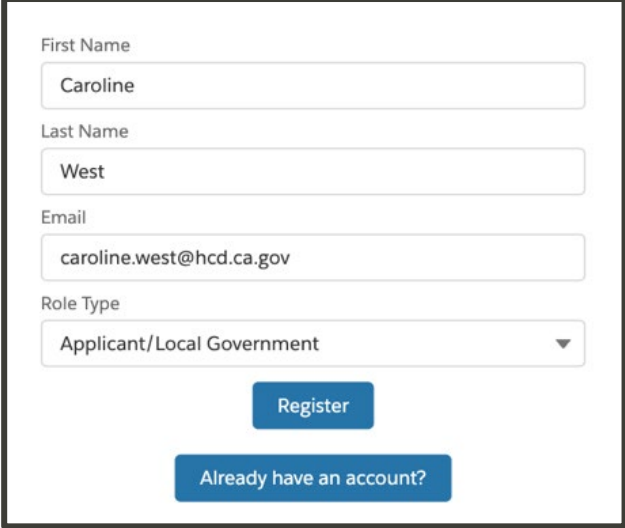
# Learning Objectives

At the end of this module, the learner will be able to:

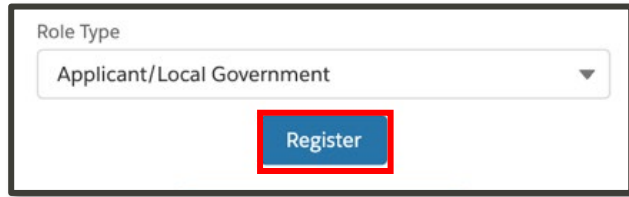
- Start a New Registration
- Search for Your Jurisdiction
- Complete Your User Profile
- Complete Your Registration
- View Your Entity Details in the Portal
- Approve or Reject a New User Request
- Manage Your User Account
- Change Your Password
- Add or Remove a Consultant to Your Jurisdiction

# Portal Registration: New User Registration

You must register before you can use the HCD Connect User Portal. To register, please complete the following steps.

Steps	Screenshot Examples
1. Type the Portal URL in your preferred web browser: <a href="https://hcd.my.site.com/hcdconnect">https://hcd.my.site.com/hcdconnect</a>	
2. Click <b>Create an Account</b>	
3. Enter your <b>First Name, Last Name, Email</b> , and select the Role Type <b>“Applicant/Local Government”</b> .	

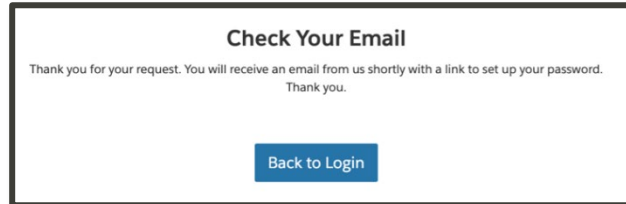
4. Then click **Register**



Role Type  
Applicant/Local Government

Register

5. You will be taken to the Check Your Email screen. An email has been sent to the email address you entered.

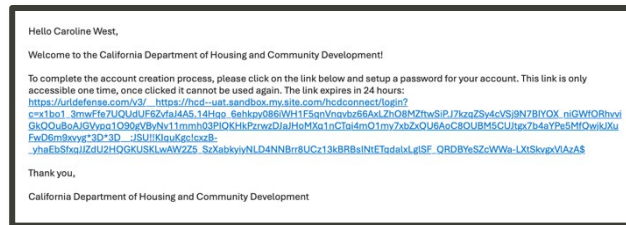


**Check Your Email**

Thank you for your request. You will receive an email from us shortly with a link to set up your password.  
Thank you.

Back to Login

6. Click on the link in the email or copy the link into your web browser.



Hello Caroline West,

Welcome to the California Department of Housing and Community Development!

To complete the account creation process, please click on the link below and setup a password for your account. This link is only accessible one time, once clicked it cannot be used again. The link expires in 24 hours:  
[https://urldefense.com/v3/?https://hcd-uat-sandbox.my.site.com/hcdconnect/login?ctx1bo1\\_3mwf7e7uQUdUf5Zrf9M45\\_14Hag\\_6ehkpy086WH1F5mVnoyb266Axl2h08M2hwSIPJ7kzq2Sy4cVS@N7B1YQX\\_niGwF0Rhrv1GkCQub8A3dVyo1Q98aY9Axl11mm103PQKhtkPrwzD9aH0Mkx1ncToidmQ1mY7xbZcQU8Aac38CUBM5GJupz7h4ayP8dM0wK0XU\\_FwD6m8vyyt\\*3D\\*3D\\*\\_JSU!K!puKgc!ozB...\\_yhaEbStvaJZdU2HOGKUSK!waW2Z5\\_SzXabikyNLD4NNBrr8UCz13k8R8sNIEtadatxLgSF\\_QRDBYsZcWWa-LXtSkvexVVAzAS](https://urldefense.com/v3/?https://hcd-uat-sandbox.my.site.com/hcdconnect/login?ctx1bo1_3mwf7e7uQUdUf5Zrf9M45_14Hag_6ehkpy086WH1F5mVnoyb266Axl2h08M2hwSIPJ7kzq2Sy4cVS@N7B1YQX_niGwF0Rhrv1GkCQub8A3dVyo1Q98aY9Axl11mm103PQKhtkPrwzD9aH0Mkx1ncToidmQ1mY7xbZcQU8Aac38CUBM5GJupz7h4ayP8dM0wK0XU_FwD6m8vyyt*3D*3D*_JSU!K!puKgc!ozB..._yhaEbStvaJZdU2HOGKUSK!waW2Z5_SzXabikyNLD4NNBrr8UCz13k8R8sNIEtadatxLgSF_QRDBYsZcWWa-LXtSkvexVVAzAS)

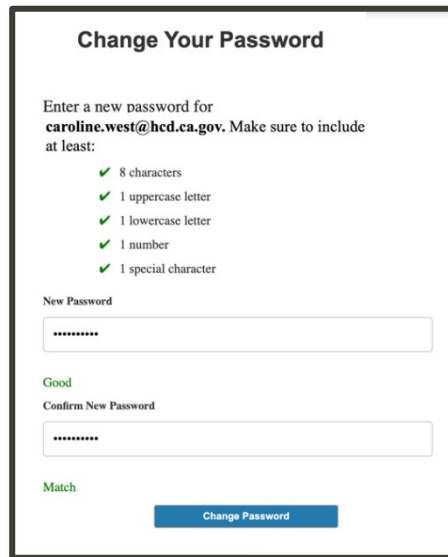
Thank you,  
California Department of Housing and Community Development

7. You will be taken to the Change Your Password screen. Enter in a password and re-enter it to confirm.

The password criteria include the following:

- ✓ 8 characters
- ✓ 1 uppercase letter
- ✓ 1 lowercase letter
- ✓ 1 number
- ✓ 1 special character

The green checks will indicate that you are meeting the required password criteria.



**Change Your Password**

Enter a new password for  
**caroline.west@hcd.ca.gov**. Make sure to include at least:

- ✓ 8 characters
- ✓ 1 uppercase letter
- ✓ 1 lowercase letter
- ✓ 1 number
- ✓ 1 special character

New Password  
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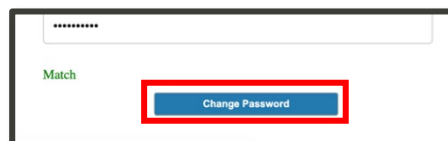
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Confirm New Password  
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Match

Change Password

8. Click the **Change Password** button to proceed.

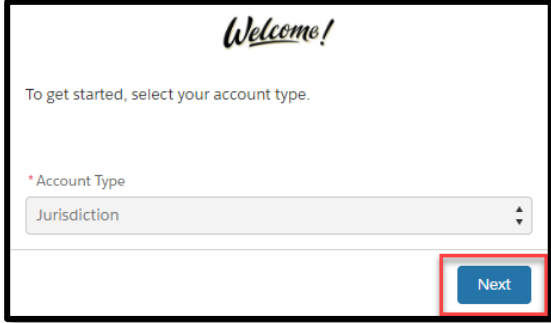
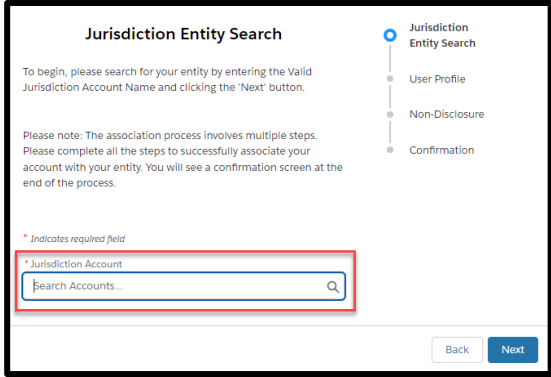
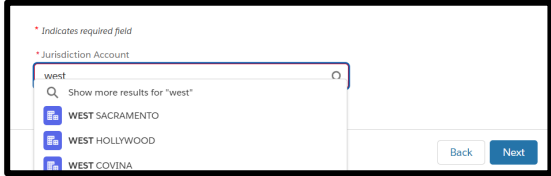
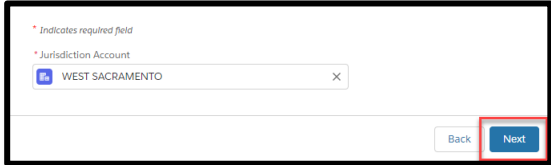


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Match

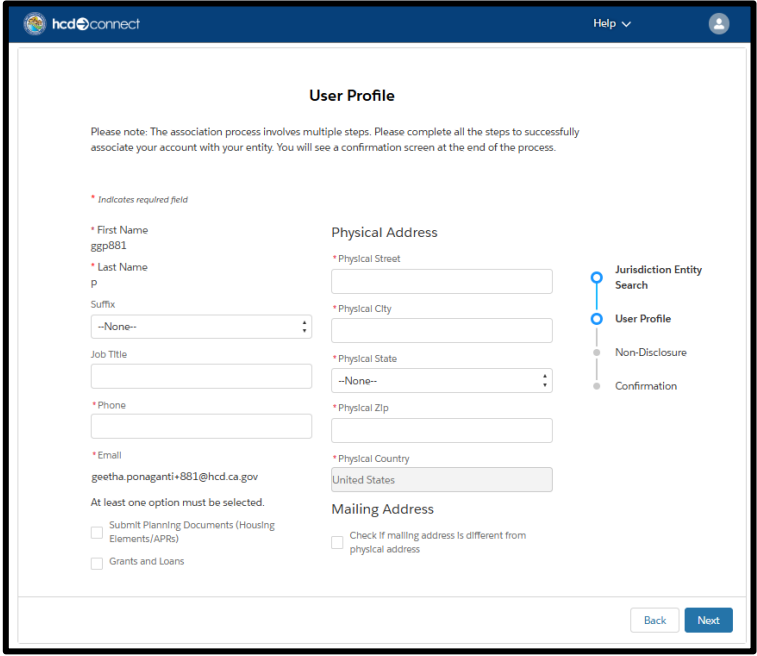
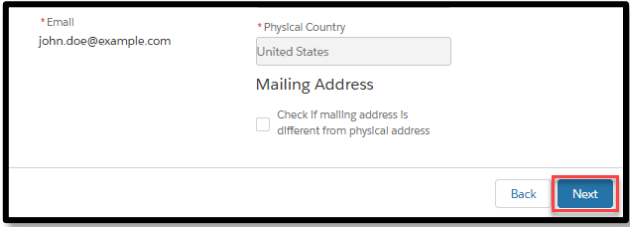
Change Password

# Portal Registration: Jurisdiction Search

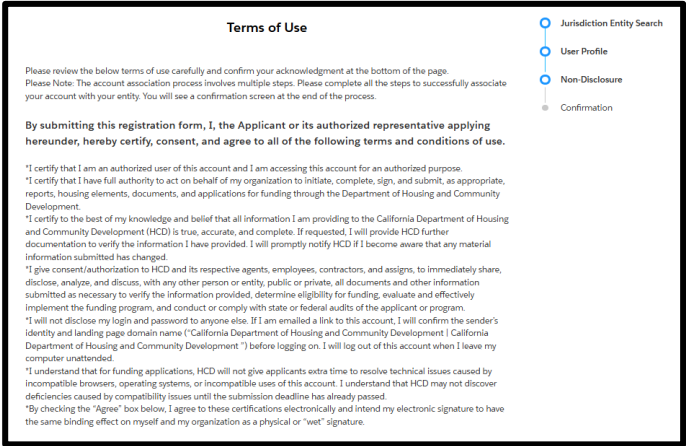
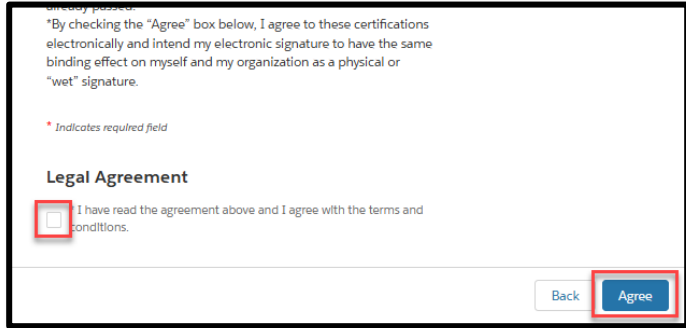
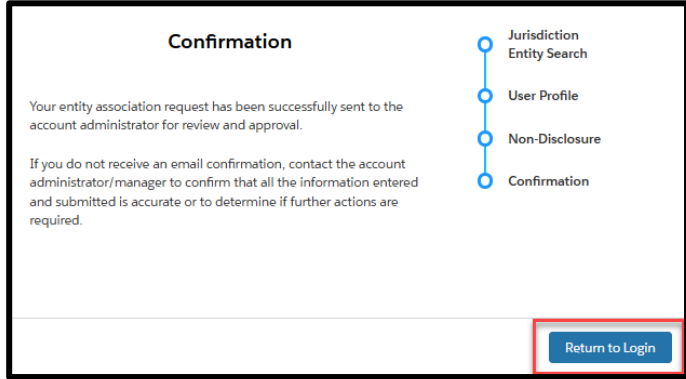
Steps	Screenshot Examples
<p>1. Once you have created a password, you will be taken to the Portal's welcome screen.</p> <p><b>Please Note:</b> Cities and Counties should select "<b>Jurisdiction</b>" as the account type.</p> <p>For other entities that are not Cities and Counties, please refer to the registration guide for Organization and Tribal entities.</p> <p>Click <b>Next</b> to continue.</p>	
<p>2. You will then reach the Jurisdiction Entity Search screen.</p>	
<p>3. Select your jurisdiction from the drop-down list and make sure that your jurisdiction is selected in the field.</p>	
<p>4. Click <b>Next</b> to continue.</p>	

# Portal Registration: User Profile

Enter in your information into the User Profile page.

Steps	Screenshot Examples
<p>1. Enter in the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Job Title</b></li><li>• <b>Phone</b></li><li>• <b>Physical Address</b> – enter in your business address.</li><li>• <b>Mailing Address</b> – Select if mailing address is different than your physical address.</li><li>• <b>At least one option must be selected</b> – Select one of the check boxes as per the program.</li></ul> <p><b>Please Note:</b> Select “Submit Planning Documents” if you intend to submit Housing Elements, Annual Progress Reports, or Sites Inventory on behalf of your jurisdiction.</p> <p>Select “Grants and Loans” if you intend to submit an application for HCD’s loan or grant programs.</p>	
<p>2. Click <b>Next</b> to continue.</p>	

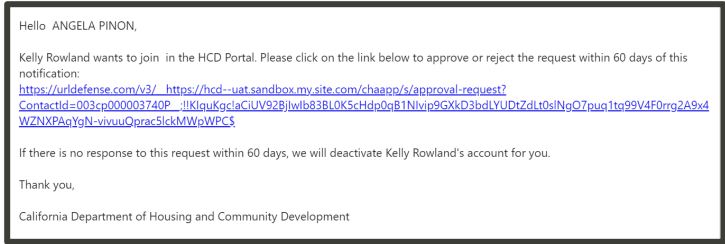
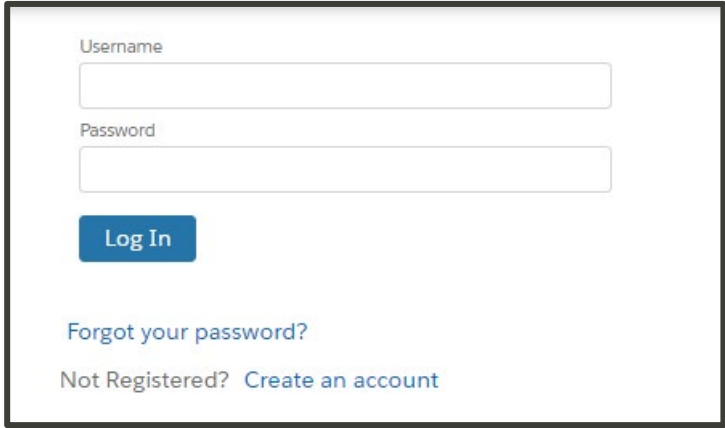
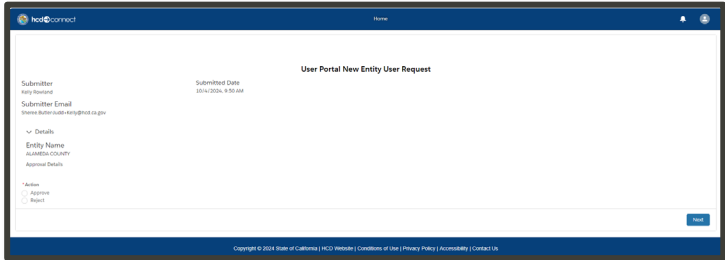
# Portal Notification: Complete Your Registration

Steps	Screenshot Examples
<p>1. To complete your registration, you must read and accept the non--disclosure agreement.</p>	
<p>2. Click the checkbox under Legal Agreement. Then, click the <b>Agree</b> button.</p>	
<p>3. You will then reach a confirmation screen. Your registration is pending approval from the Jurisdiction Account Administrator or HCD.</p> <p>If an Account Administrator is identified for the jurisdiction you are registering with, you will see the message displayed on the right. Click <b>Return to Login</b>.</p>	

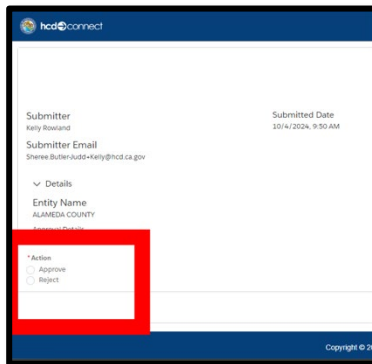


# Portal Registration: Approve/Reject New Entity Join Request

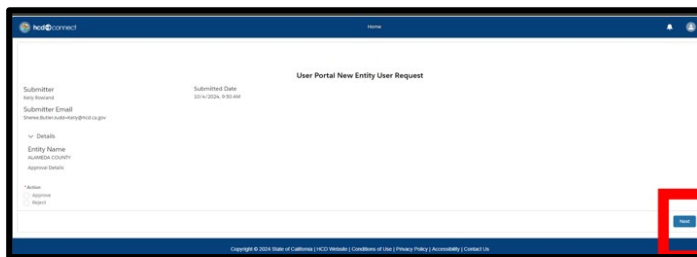
The Account Administrator for your jurisdiction will receive an email indicating that a user is requesting to join the HCD Connect User Portal for your jurisdiction. If you are the Account Administrator and receive this notification, follow these steps to approve or reject the requesting user.

Steps	Screenshot Examples
<p>1. Click on the email received from HCD Connect.</p>	
<p>2. You will need to be logged into the HCD Connect User Portal. You will be directed to the login screen.</p> <p>Enter in your username and password to enter the portal and click 'Log In.'</p>	
<p>3. The User Portal New Entity User Request screen will open.</p>	

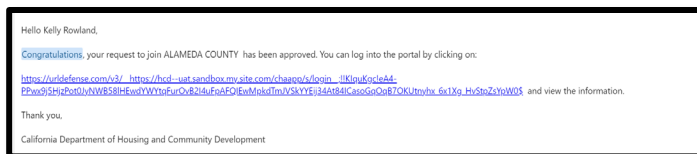
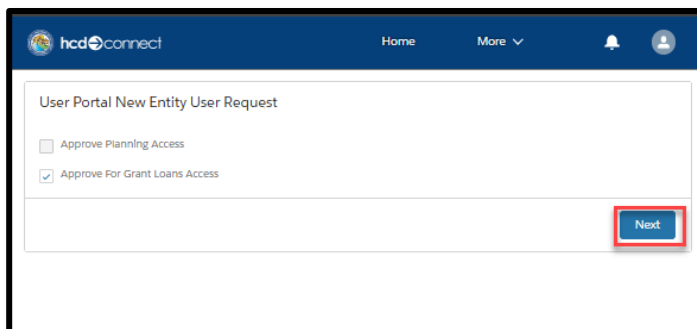
- Under Action, you can select **Approve** or **Reject**.



- Click **Next** to complete the action.



- If you select **Approve** and click **Next**, you will then reach a User Portal New Entity User Request screen. Click **Next** to complete the action. Requesting user will receive an email notification that their access has been granted.



7. If you select **Reject**, then the user will not get access to the Portal.

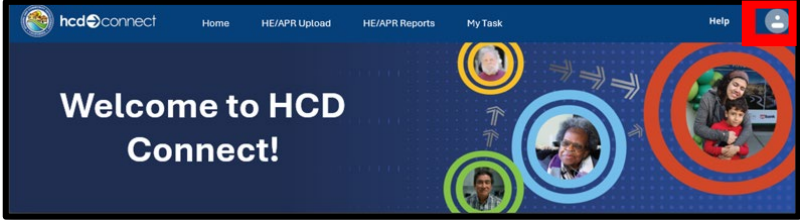
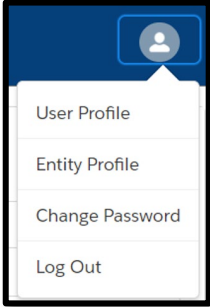
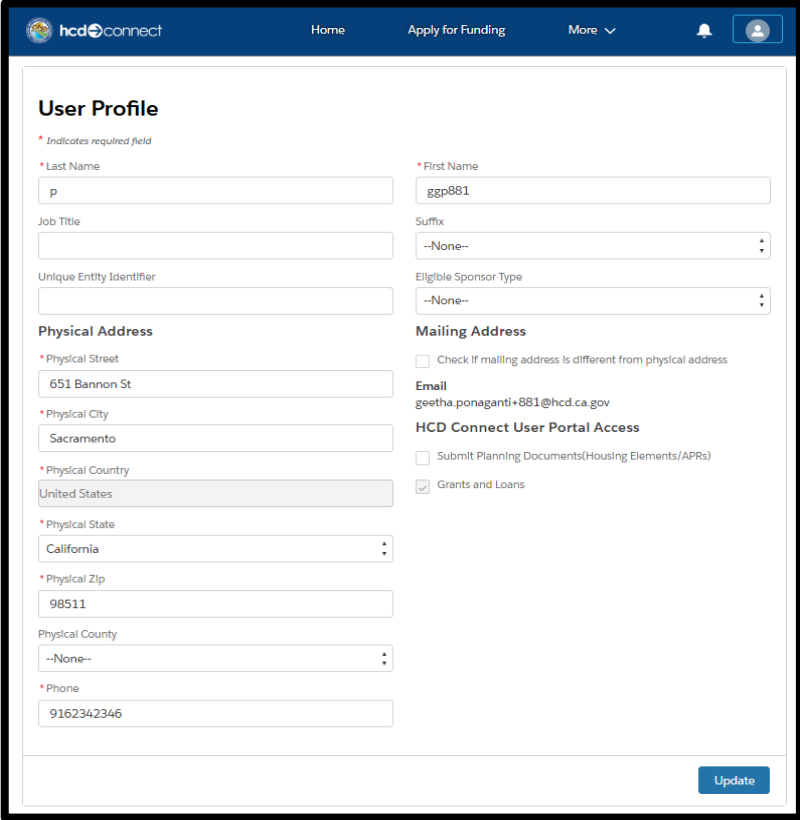
User Portal New Entity User Request	
<b>REJECTED</b>	
Submitter Kelly Rowland	Submitted Date 10/17/2024, 9:50 AM
▼ Details	
Approval Details	
Submitter Email sheree.butler-judd+kelly@hcd.ca.gov	Entity Name ALAMEDA COUNTY
<a href="#">View</a>	

Hello Kelly Rowland,

Your request to access ALAMEDA COUNTY in HCD Connect was not approved. If you feel you have received this message in error, please contact Sheree HCD Test, sheree.butler-judd+test@hcd.ca.gov for assistance.

Thank you,  
California Department of Housing and Community Development

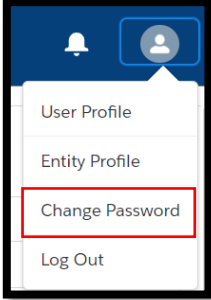
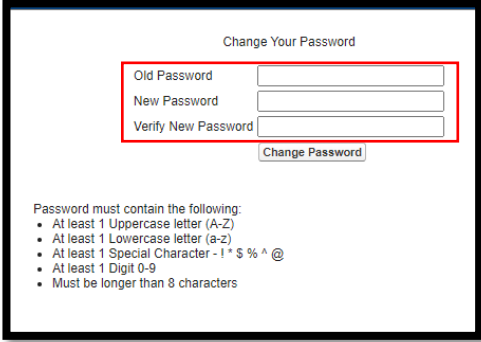
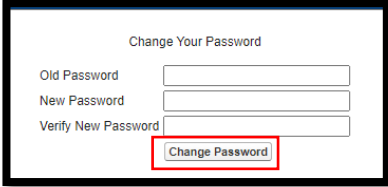
# Manage Your User Account

Steps	Screenshot Examples
<p>1. To manage your user account details, click on the profile icon on the top right of the navigation bar.</p>	
<p>2. Click on <b>User Profile</b>.</p>	
<p>3. You can view your user information on the User Profile page. If you need to update any information, enter any updates in the fields on the page then click the <b>Update</b> button at the bottom right of the screen.</p>	

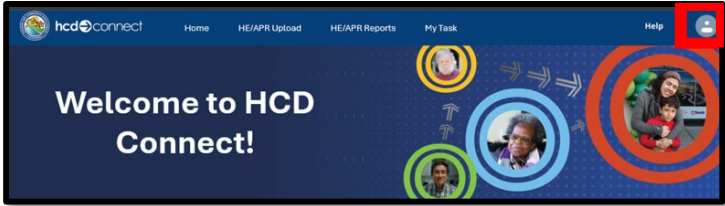
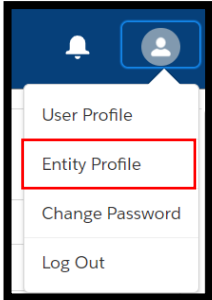
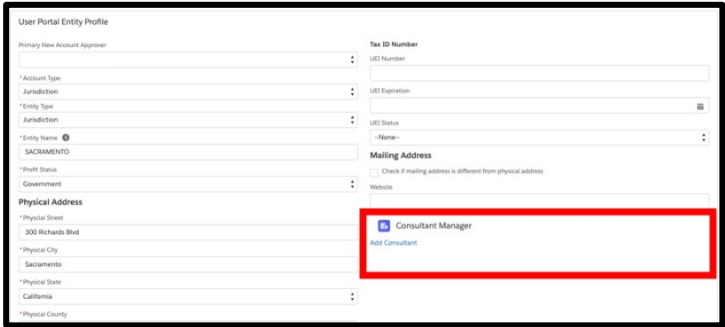
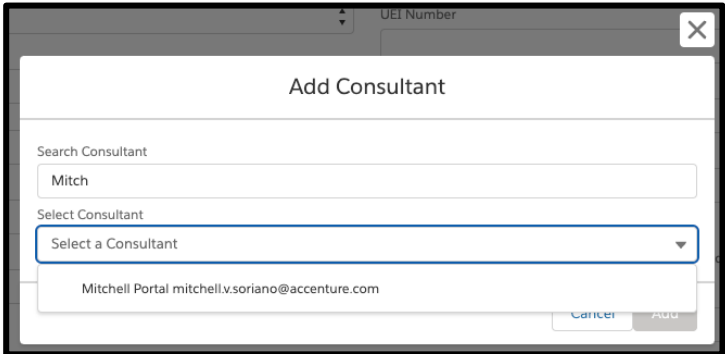
4. You will see that your changes have been saved.



# Change Your Password

Steps	Screenshot Examples
<p>1. Click on <b>Change Password</b> to process a password change request.</p>	 <p>A screenshot of a user profile menu. The menu is open, showing options: User Profile, Entity Profile, Change Password (highlighted with a red box), and Log Out. The menu is overlaid on a dark blue header with a notification bell and a user profile icon.</p>
<p>2. On the Change Your Password screen, enter in your old password and your new desired password.</p>	 <p>A screenshot of the 'Change Your Password' form. The form has three input fields: 'Old Password', 'New Password', and 'Verify New Password'. A red box highlights these three fields. Below the fields is a 'Change Password' button. Below the button is a list of password requirements: 'Password must contain the following: At least 1 Uppercase letter (A-Z), At least 1 Lowercase letter (a-z), At least 1 Special Character - ! * \$ % ^ @, At least 1 Digit 0-9, Must be longer than 8 characters'.</p>
<p>3. Then click the <b>Change Password</b> button.</p>	 <p>A screenshot of the 'Change Your Password' form. The form has three input fields: 'Old Password', 'New Password', and 'Verify New Password'. Below the fields is a 'Change Password' button, which is highlighted with a red box.</p>

# Add or Remove a Consultant to Your Account (For Account Administrator Only)

Steps	Screenshot Examples
<p>1. Click on the profile icon on the top right of the navigation bar.</p>	
<p>2. Click on <b>Entity Profile</b>.</p>	
<p>3. Locate the Consultant Manager and click <b>Add Consultant</b>.</p>	
<p>4. Type in the consultant's name in the Search Consultant bar and click on the <b>Select Consultant</b> field to see the results.</p> <p>You will be able to search by name and/or email.</p>	


5. Select the consultant from the list and click **Add**.

*Note: if you do not see the consultant in the list, they have not yet registered. Please instruct them to register to the portal.*



6. Once added, the consultant will appear in the Consultant Manager. The user will receive an email once they have been added.

The consultant now has access to your account and can submit planning documents on behalf of your jurisdiction and can view previous submissions.



7. To remove a consultant's access to your jurisdiction account, click the **Remove** button.

