Candidate Questionnaire

Thank you for taking the time to reflect on your experience with Maine’s nonprofit sector. Once we receive your response, your answers will be posted on our website at www.nonprofitmaine.org/2016candidates. Please respond no later than Friday, September 30, 2016.

Did you know nonprofits:
- **Employ 1 in 7 workers** in Maine.
- **Contribute $10 billion per year** to the economy through wages paid, retail and wholesale sales, and professional services contracted.
- **Pay $3.6 billion annually in wages**, which translates to approximately **$206 million in personal income tax revenue**.
- **Mobilize 350,000 volunteers each year** to improve communities.

1. Please describe your personal and professional experiences with nonprofit organizations.  
   I have served on the board of nonprofits including Make A-Wish Foundation. I have also been very active supporting the Boys & Girls Club of Gardiner for many years.

2. Please provide specific ways in which, if elected, you would partner with the nonprofit sector to advance policies that strengthen Maine.
   I am open to and would support ideas that make the work of nonprofits more efficient as it relates to State Government, including tax incentives.
3. What is your position on property tax exemption for Maine nonprofit property owners?

   I support maintaining as I did in the 127th.

4. Do you have any specific questions or need further information on any particular issue regarding Maine’s nonprofit sector that we can help you with?

   No Thanks

You may submit your responses as follows:

Via email to: mecasale@nonprofitmaine.org

Online: www.nonprofitmaine.org/2016candidates

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