

MANP Candidate Questionnaire 2018

Through this questionnaire Maine offers Maine candidates for publicly elected office the opportunity to reach our vital constituency and let them know how you would partner with them to advance policies that would strengthen Maine. Our goal is to promote an educated and enthusiastic nonprofit community that votes.

Did You Know?



Maine nonprofits:

- Employ 1 in 6 workers in Maine;
- Contribute approximately \$11 billion per year to the economy through wages paid, retail and wholesale sales, and professional services contracted;
- Pay \$4.3 billion annually in wages, which translates to approximately \$264 million in personal income tax revenue; and
- Mobilize 345,000 volunteers each year to improve communities!

Your Name *

Doug Bunker

Office Running For *

- U.S. Senate
- U.S. House
- State Senate
- State House

District

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Please describe your personal and professional experiences with nonprofit organizations. *

Although I have very little experience organizing or working for registered non-profit organizations. But, like most Mainers, I too benefit from the efforts of the hundreds of groups that are active in the environmental, social and cultural life of our communities.

Please provide specific ways in which, if elected, you would partner with the nonprofit sector to advance policies that strengthen Maine.

As a Maine legislator, I would certainly be open to listening to proposals from individual organizations and the MANP that facilitate state and local support for specific projects.

What is your position on property tax exemption for Maine nonprofit property owners?

I have concerns about the impact on our local communities of the removal from the tax roles of property designated for exemption. However I do believe that we can work on a case by case basis to balance the needs of the communities involved.

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