

# 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 \*

Sean N. Hall

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## Office Running For \*

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

## District

51

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

I am a Firefighter/EMT for my local volunteer fire department where I was recently promoted to Captain. I have volunteered with a number of organizations, including the Nature Conservancy and the Audubon Society, to promote environmental stewardship. I have served as an assistant Girl Scout Leader, a Boy Scout Leader, as a tutor for the Boys and Girls Club after school program, and have worked with non-profits performing research on endangered marine mammals.

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

I believe non-profits fill a vital role in Maine's economy and in promoting causes and efforts that are often overlooked by corporate and governmental entities. I would support legislation that will ensure legal and economic protections for non-profit organizations that endeavor to provide beneficial services to the people of Maine.

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

As stated by my political opponent, this is a complex issue. One, to be honest, that I have not studied enough to provide a detailed answer here. I do have the sense that non-profits are frequently under threat of losing their protected status. Should I be elected in November, I vow that I will consider all aspects of any legislation that would change current practices.

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