

# 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 \*

Jessica Fay

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## 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. \***

As current Legislator, I had had the pleasure of meeting and working with many people from non-profit organizations. Having the opportunity to learn more about the many different spaces that non-profit organizations occupy has been helpful, both professionally and personally. As a former library trustee, volunteer with our local age-friendly community initiative and as a community advisory board member for an Americorps volunteer program locally, I have been personally experienced how important non-profit organizations' contributions to our community has been and will continue to be going forward.

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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.**

If re-elected, I hope to become more involved with the Caucus on Aging, engage more of my colleagues to talk about issues in this space. Community and state planning for how to help older people age in the way they choose will be a focus of my second term. Because this issue touches many different non-profit spaces, I anticipate a strong partnership.

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

Non-profit property owners currently enjoy a property tax exemption. If an organization is a true non-profit working for the good of the community, I see no reason why that should change.

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