

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 *

Jan Collins

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. *

Foothills Land Trust Board of Directors 2005-09, Kennebunkport Conservation Trust – Board of Trustees 2000-2004. Participates in Citizen Science initiatives-
Maine Audubon Society – Vernal Pool Monitor – 1999-2002.
Bat ME volunteer 2016 - 2018
Provide blueberries from our farm to area food pantries.
Participate in local civic groups example Tyngtown.

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

I would listen to the concerns of nonprofits, take advantage of their expertise in informing decision making, and respond to their suggestions for improvements that would assist all of us in working more effectively for the people of Maine. I would actively oppose policies intended to gut the work of nonprofits.

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

Communities receive full value for nonprofit property tax exemptions from the services and experiences that nonprofits provide. They are an asset to communities not a drain on communities.

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