2022 Candidate Survey - Maine Association of Nonprofits

Thank you for taking the time to reflect on your experience with Maine’s nonprofit sector.

Through this questionnaire, the Maine Association of Nonprofits (MANP) offers Maine candidates for publicly elected office the opportunity to reach our vital constituency to let them know how you would partner with nonprofits to advance policies that would strengthen our state.

Our goal is to promote an educated and enthusiastic nonprofit community that votes.

Please complete the questionnaire no later Friday, September 30, 2022. We will post responses to our website the following week.

Did you know?
Did you know nonprofits:

- Employ 1 in 6 Maine workers. That's triple the size of the construction industry.
- Pay 18% of the state's total payroll
- Generate $300+ million in state tax revenue
- Contribute nearly $14 Billion to the nation's economy

Email *

Candidate's Full Name *

Heather “Betsy” Garrold
I am President of the Board of Directors of Food for Maine Future and have been running this organization for over 10 years. I am the immediate past Vice President of the National Family Farm Coalition. I serve on the board of the Farwell Project in Thorndike.
Please describe your top 3 policy goals.*

1) Re-localizing our food system by supporting small family farms.
2) Protecting and strengthening our democratic system of government, first of all by expanding the use of Ranked Choice Voting for Legislative races. And mandating civics education in our high schools.
3) Any other policy issue that my constituents bring to me.

Please provide specific ways in which, if elected, you would partner with the nonprofit sector to achieve the goals of your campaign.

Support of the non-profit sector is crucial as our governmental safety nets fray more and more. I would partner with organizations such as yours to hear and put forth the bills that would lead to strengthening these vital services.