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 *

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Candidate's Full Name *

Amy Davidoff

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Office Running For: *

- Governor
- U.S. House
- State House
- State Senate
- Sheriff
- County Commissioner
- Other: ____________________________

District *

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Campaign website:

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

Most of my experience with nonprofit organizations involved mentoring, training and disseminating information about heart disease and diabetes. I have spent my entire professional life engaged in work for/with academic institutions (all nonprofit organizations). As a research scientist I have written grant proposals from federal funding agencies (e.g., National Institutes of Health) and foundations (e.g., American Diabetes Association and American Heart Association) for more than 25 years. I have also served as a peer reviewer for these organizations and scientific advocate to lay people and legislators. As an educator, I have taught in graduate health professional programs (e.g., medical, physician assistant, pharmacy and nurse anesthetist programs). Since retiring, I have worked with our local conservation committee and volunteered (when needed) at the Augusta food bank.

Please describe your top 3 policy goals. *

I would work toward finding sustainable solutions to:
- Create good paying jobs in new and traditional sectors such as healthcare, energy, eco-tourism, broadband, services for seniors
- Protect our environment in support of our economy and health/wealth fare of our residents
- Access to affordable high quality healthcare, prescription drugs, broadband, childcare, education

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

I would welcome opportunities to work with the nonprofit sector particularly because their fundamental mission is clearly stated and not tempered by having a fiduciary responsibility to investors. Achieving and maintaining a healthy environment that supports a good quality of life for all people, which includes being a good steward of the planet as well as our community. I hope to bring my expertise in health sciences, data analyses, and critical thinking to the State legislature. I believe that legislation can be crafted for the private sector to do the right thing for the public good, rather than telling them how to achieve those goals. The latter is best left up to the professionals in each field.