

# 2024 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 6, 2024. We will post responses to our website the following week.**

Email \*

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## ***Did you know?***

Did you know Maine nonprofits:

- Employ 1 in 6 Maine workers. That's triple the size of the construction industry.
- Pay 17% of the state's total payroll
- Generate an estimated \$350 million in state tax revenue
- Contribute \$14+ billion to the nation's economy

Candidate's Full Name \*

Colleen Strickler

Office Running For: \*

U.S. Senate

U.S. House

State House

State Senate

Other: .....

District \*

104 .....

Campaign website:

colleenstrickler.me .....

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

I have worked as a vendor for several non-profits in during my career, I work for JobsInME.com/JobsInTheUS.com and we have many non-profit clients who use our services. I find it rewarding to be able to assist them with the services that we provide and to play a part in helping them to find new employees.

My dad retired from Maine Public Broadcasting after spending many years working for them. He very much enjoyed the work that he did, and the organization in general.

I have also had the need to use services from the New England Eating Disorder program that was at Mercy Hospital and is now part of Sweetser. It was a lifeline for our family when my daughter was struggling with an eating disorder.

I also have been known to use the MANP job board to look for available jobs. ....

Please describe your top 3 policy goals. \*

Making healthcare, including mental health care affordable and available to the people of Maine. This includes ensuring that we do everything we can to ensure that staffing needs are met.

Working to find solutions to make the cost of housing affordable and accessible for all.

Finding new ways to connect folks looking for a career with employers who need workers.

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

This is my first time running for state office. I have a LOT to learn about specific ways to get things done. I would however focus on learning about the avenues available, and I would find like minded individuals to work with on achieving the goals described above. I have no illusions that I will be able to don ANYTHING on my own, I will need to work with others, including legislators, and those in the private sector who can shine a light on issues.

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