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Top Skills

Strategic Planning

Community organizing

Community Outreach

Rhiannon Hampson

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Summary

I am honored to serve as the State Director for Maine, USDA Rural Development. Additionally, I am the Co-Owner of Grace Pond Farm, an organic (MOFGA certified) dairy, and pasture based livestock farm in Thomaston, Maine on Wawenock Tribal Land. For several years I have enjoyed working on policy related to processing and support for Maine's small farms, and continue to advocate for the sustainability of Maine's farming community. Through previous volunteer opportunities, such as creating summer programming for children, facilitating performing arts events for rural residents, and coordinating the use of an historic building in downtown Machias, Maine, I have been fortunate to create connections with people from diverse backgrounds. It has allowed me to deepen my own commitment to facilitating cooperation among all of Maine's citizens, new and old, regardless of socio-economic status. Equity and Inclusion are values that I hold at the center of the work that I do.

Experience

USDA Rural Development

State Director

December 2021 - Present (1 year 8 months)

Grace Pond Farm

Organic Farmer

July 2015 - Present (8 years 1 month)

Thomaston, Maine

Owner/operator, at Grace Pond Farm - an organically certified livestock and dairy farm.

Congresswoman Chellie Pingree

District Representative

May 2019 - December 2021 (2 years 8 months)

District 1 - Maine

District Representative for Congresswoman Pingree, ME-01, with a focus on Agriculture, the Environment, Health Care, and the Arts.

Kennebec Behavioral Health

Developmental Services Community Case Manager

November 2017 - May 2019 (1 year 7 months)

Augusta, Maine

Community Case Manager for Developmental Service clients at KBH.

Promoting inclusion, compassion, participation, and community.

Education

University of Maine at Machias

Bachelor of Arts - BA, Psychology and Community Studies, minor in

Counseling