



AHMA of Washington 2023 Candidates

(Candidates listed alphabetically)

Billie Abers

Senior Portfolio Manager
Redwood Housing

Current AHMA position: Board member

With a history in project management and affordable property management, Billie began working in housing back in 2006 with Community Roots Housing. She left in 2016 as the Director of Property Management. She then went on to be a Senior Asset Manager for the Housing Office with the City of Seattle, where she oversaw a portfolio of over one-hundred properties. She is currently managing 19 properties, with over 1000 units. Abers' industry designations include HUD COS, as well as tax credit C3P. Performing multiple roles in housing has given Abers a well-rounded perspective and the ability to leverage her talents in a flexible manner.

Spencer Anderson

Vice President
United Marketing; Seattle

Current AHMA position: President

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as AHMA of Washington's President for the past two years.

I would appreciate the opportunity to continue serving as a board member of AHMA of Washington so that I can continue to collaborate with the other AHMA of Washington members on furthering preservation of affordable housing issues to people both in and out of the affordable housing industry.

Currently I am Vice President of United Marketing, Inc and have been working in affordable housing for the past 13 years. I manage a portfolio of over 2,000 housing units that utilize a myriad of housing programs from Rural Development to HUD to LIHTC and am constantly challenged and excited by the issues and opportunity our field can present to us.

If reelected I would be excited to continue being a voice on affordable housing issues and education both in Washington State and Nationally.

Thank You for your Time and Consideration

Jennifer Branham

Coast Property Management

Current AHMA position: Board member

I'm interested in renewing my position on the board for another term. As a second-year board member, I'd like to be more involved with committees. I've enjoyed my short experience thus far and would like to learn more about AHMA.

Thanks for your consideration.



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Heather Brown

Executive Vice President of People and Culture
Cascade Management, Inc.
Current AHMA position: Candidate

Heather is the Executive Vice President of People and Culture at Cascade Management, Inc where she oversees the HR and IT departments, Training and Development, Talent Acquisition, and Affordable Compliance. Her experience is in training and education, and she specializes in helping others find their path in continued development while constantly challenging her own growth. She works hard to bring new ideas to the table and ensures that different voices and perspectives are heard. Her passion for business keeps her agile and she is always looking for new ways to help businesses and strategic initiatives succeed. While Heather chose to take a step back from her previous board and committee work to focus on the health and safety of her people when the pandemic struck, she is greatly looking forward to the opportunity to support this industry at a strategic level. Heather is committed to making a positive and lasting impact for AHMA of Washington, from its members to the tenants they serve, and anything in between.

Michelle Hawley

Director of Property Management
Bellwether Housing
Current AHMA position: Immediate Past President

My name is Michelle Hawley and I'm the Director of Property Management at Bellwether Housing. Bellwether's portfolio is comprised of 33 properties / 2462 units in the Seattle area and our properties includes HUD, LIHTC, Seattle Office of Housing, and Commerce funding sources. I have worked in affordable property management as a portfolio manager for the past 25 years in increasing leadership positions. I have served on the AHMA for the past 8 years, including 2 years as President.

In addition to my experience in property management, I feel my prior experience as board member, including serving as VP and President, is valuable to the association. As we continue to think about the associations growth, and how to increase the value to membership, I feel I can contribute my experience and passion for this industry. I would like to continue to serve and contribute to the board.



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Glori Houston

Vice President, Property Management

Catholic Housing Communities

Current AHMA position: Board Secretary

My name is Glori Houston, I first entered the Affordable Housing world in 1997. I currently work for Catholic Charities of Eastern Washington located in Spokane, my portfolio includes Senior housing, Family housing, Homeless Housing and Veteran Housing with a variety of HUD, LIHTC, HOME, conventional and blended properties throughout in Eastern and Central WA.

I believe that managing Affordable Housing brings a unique set of complexities compared to other forms of rental housing. Affordable housing improves the quality of life of residents by leading to better health, adequate jobs, financial stability, security, and population diversity.

Professionals in the Affordable industry must ensure that the property and/or portfolio is working within the rules of HUD and other regulatory agencies. But doing so does not have to be a daunting process, I believe bringing educational opportunities to the membership is a critical piece that AHMA brings.

I also believe that since the pandemic the whole face of affordable housing has changed, from our legal options to service-related needs. I believe that we must keep up with the changes and offer support to our staff who are working harder than ever to do their jobs.

I would be honored to continue to remain on the AHMA board of Directors and to represent Eastern WA in the conversation of Affordable Housing in Washington.

Susan Meyers

Regional Property Manager

HUD Compliance Manager

Pan Pacific Properties

Current AHMA position: Board member

My name is Susan Meyers. I have been administering HUD, RD and various LIHTC programs since the early 90's. I currently work as a Regional Property Manager for Pan Pacific Properties Inc. and I am the Director of their Affordable Compliance Department, overseeing the regulatory compliance for their Section 8, 202, 515 and HOME funded properties.

It has been my pleasure and honor to serve on the AHMA board for the past four years. During my time on this board, I have chaired the Membership Committee as well as sat on the Convention Committee, the ARHC/AHMA Merge Committee and the Rural Development Committee.

I have been attending the annual AHMA conference since the mid 90's and truly value this organization and all it has to offer. I feel that the training and advocacy provided by AHMA are invaluable to ensuring quality property management and accurate regulatory compliance in an ever-changing industry. I am proud of this organization's accomplishments and equally proud of my membership in it.

I would like to remain on this board and continue to contribute to this organization whose value I believe so strongly in.



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Celeste Mills

Director of Compliance

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Current AHMA position: Candidate

Celeste Mills began her career in Affordable Housing Property Management in 2002 and has gained a wide range of experience. An important part of Celeste's strengths and goals in leadership roles throughout her career has been a focus on training and education. She believes in providing excellent resources and encourages attendance to industry trainings in person and virtually. Celeste holds designations of COS, HCS, C3P, SHCM, and STAR, and previously served as Vice President on the Board of Directors for ARHC. She currently serves as a non-board member of AHMA's Education Committee and looks forward to an opportunity to serve at a higher level for our membership of AHMA.

Holly Paterson

Director of Compliance

Indigo Real Estate Services

Current AHMA position: Board member

Over the last year, I have greatly enjoyed being part of the AHMA board and convention committee and would love to continue to serve on the board. I have been in property management, specifically affordable housing, for approximately 13 years and could not imagine making my career home any other industry. I hope to continue serving on the AHMA board and convention committee to assist in bringing the best convention, events, speakers, etc. to the AHMA community.

Kevin Weishaar

Vice President

Mercy Housing

Current AHMA position: Vice President

My name is Kevin Weishaar, I am the VP for Mercy Housing in the Northwest. I oversee 45 properties throughout the state of Washington in Whatcom, Skagit, Snohomish, King, Pierce, Thurston, Lewis and now Clark counties where we just opened 100 units with peace health hospital serving entirely Ukrainian or refugees.

I've served on either ARHC or AHMA for over seven years as well as on the Government Affairs Council for WMFHA over the same period of time. Mostly I've been the Legislative chair, Secretary, and Vice President, but also did documents and awards committees all in the past. On the government more than a couple of meetings in on time and have dutifully filled in for the president in meetings and at the AHMA conference last year. I'm excited to continue the work we have been doing these many years and in finding opportunities post pandemic to grow our membership and be more responsive to what they want to get out of AHMA.