

# **Syracuse Cooperative Market Board of Directors**

## **CANDIDATE APPLICATION**

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*\*This information is required to have a valid application.*

### **Candidate Statement**

The following statement, along with your name, will be featured on the Co-op's website and in Newsletters (print and/or digital), as a guide for members planning to vote in the upcoming election. By submitting this application, you authorize Syracuse Cooperative Market to publish this information.

**1. Describe your involvement with the Co-op. Include amount of time spent and specific activities, if appropriate. (1,000 characters max)**

I participate as a Board member by preparing for and attending monthly meetings, attending Board training, communicating with the general manager and Board via email, and occasionally shopping at the Co-op. I also promote the Co-op to my friends and colleagues.

**2. Describe any volunteer or paid experience relevant to serving as a Co-op Board member. (1,000 characters max)**

I serve on other community boards. I am an attorney at a local firm, focusing on elder law, estate planning, and not-for-profit work.

**3. What do you see as our Co-op's role in the broader community? (1,000 characters max)**

I think the Co-op has a legacy role and a forward-facing role. I have known the Co-op since I was a child and have fond memories of shopping there with my family. I think the Co-op will

continue as a community grocery and anchor for the Westcott neighborhood, but I also think it can serve an expanded role as a leader in local and community-centered retail.

**4. Please provide a personal statement, including anything you feel is relevant to your candidacy. (1,000 characters max)**

I have enjoyed my engagement with the Co-op Board and feel with each meeting I continue to learn more about the Market and its operations. In the months I've been involved, I have seen the commitment of my fellow Board members, and hope I have the opportunity to work alongside them in the future as an elected Board member.



**Colleen Gibbons**