

To the Board Selection Committee

Cheshire County Shooting Sports Education Foundation
19 Ferry Brook Road
Keene, NH 03431

Dear Board Selection Committee,

I am writing to express my sincere interest in serving on the Board of Directors for the Cheshire County Shooting Sports Education Foundation. As a passionate supporter of responsible firearm education and community-based shooting sports programs, I would be honored to help further the mission of this organization and contribute to its continued success and outreach.

For those that do not know me, my journey into shooting sports began in my youth, participating in trap and .22 bullseye competitions through the Boy Scouts. Later, as a police officer with the Topeka Police Department, I assisted in firearms training and was on track to become an armorer before transitioning into the private sector. More recently, my family was introduced to the Foundation by Ashley Buffum of the Sheriff's Office while searching for a new range. Since then, I've become involved in the Action Pistol Program and am eager to deepen my commitment to the Foundation by supporting its broader goals at the leadership level.

Professionally, I serve as a Field Operations Manager for Stellantis, where I'm also a member of our Working Parents Business Resource Group. There, I help develop and promote family-focused initiatives for over 20,000 U.S. employees — experience I believe directly translates to building inclusive, community-oriented programs for the Foundation. My career has also included leadership roles as a General Manager in the automotive industry, a Lighting Director at a historic nonprofit theater, and a Taekwondo instructor, giving me a unique combination of operational, instructional, and event planning experience.

Throughout my career, I've sought to connect people through accessible and engaging programs. I bring skills in strategic planning, marketing,

community engagement, and team leadership that I believe could be valuable to the Foundation, especially in promoting shooting sports as a safe, fun, and educational experience for people of all ages and backgrounds.

I believe deeply that the shooting sports community thrives when it is welcoming, well-organized, and future-focused. I would welcome the opportunity to contribute to that vision as a member of your Board.

Thank you for your consideration. I would be happy to meet at your convenience to discuss how I can best support the Foundation's goals and initiatives.

Sincerely,

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