

# Board of Directors

## Candidate

### Kelsey Gibbs



**What is your favorite Tidal Creek Co-op product or food?** The entire bulk section. I appreciate being able to reduce my personal waste by using my own reusable containers to store food. Most people have a cabinet full of tupperware or containers. You can bring them in and avoid disposables! Recycling is great but it's plan C (a. reduce, b. reuse, c. recycle), I've talked to the people at the dump enough to know recycling can't keep up with our consumption.

I also really love the hot bar, creative recipes and great flavors!

**How often do you shop at the Co-op?** Daily, sometime twice a day! It's on my route to work downtown.

**Do you have any experience sitting on a Board of Directors?** I've served on the board since 2014, elected the first time for 1 year and the second time for 3 years. It is my first and only experience on a board and I value the relationships I've made and appreciate the learning process!

**What unique skills or perspective do you feel you would bring to the Board?** WASTE REDUCTION & RESOURCE CONSERVATION. Striving to live more harmoniously with nature. We're a ways off, but you have to start somewhere. I continue adjusting my own habits to lessen my environmental footprint and look to develop ways it can easily be accepted and applied to a larger audience.

**What is your reason or motivation to run for the Board of Directors?** It's the natural progression of things. I started by writing a ton of comment cards. I think I can add value, gain knowledge, inspire others, motivate myself, and help those that need more love. I really enjoy sharing and hearing what others are learning about. I've enjoyed my time on the board and want to continue!

**What is your vision for the future of Tidal Creek Co-op?** I'd like to see more diversity and accessibility. In a broader sense, I'd like to expand the cooperative concept into all aspects of the community.