

# HFC Board of Directors' Quarterly Owner Update

Fourth Quarter 2021 (October - December)



**771 member-owners strong!**

## Last Quarter's Board Progress.

- The Site Selection Committee has created a values-based screening criteria and approval process that will guide the site selection process. The Site Selection Committee is actively pursuing site options.
- The Business Planning Committee has done extensive work putting together a budget for equipment needs and related staffing requirements that will help guide the business plan for opening the store.
- The Board is looking to form the Capital Campaign Committee. This committee will be incredibly important this year as we really move things forward. If you are interested in working on this committee, please let us know!

## Key Next Step Initiatives

- **2022 Board Elections and Annual Meeting.** The beginning of the new year means it's time to gear up to elect new board members! This year we have 4 director positions to be filled with terms spanning the next three years. We hope for many applicants to add new and diverse perspectives to our board. In particular, it would be helpful to receive applicants with a background in business management, project management, and real estate. Watch for more information to come soon!

## Message from a Board Member

Greetings! 2022 is going to be a great year for the Hillsboro Food Co-op as we get ever closer to opening day. We are excited that we have so much momentum as we start this year. Getting to opening day does require all hands on deck! You can help in small or big ways.

One small way that we can help the Co-op get closer to opening is to encourage just one person to become a member-owner. Another small way to help is to share the HFC social media posts on your own social feeds.

A more substantial way to help is to volunteer! Right now, the co-op is in need of a Market Booth Coordinator. We need volunteers to help organize our special events. Are you interested in having a say about what locally produced items the market will carry? You can volunteer to help us build relationships with potential market partners!

An important way to become involved is to consider running for one of the open seats on the Board of Directors. I've currently served as a board member for less than a year, but have found it rewarding, and the more I get involved, the more excited I am about the opening of the store.

I find that the mission of the co-op overlaps with many issues and values that are important to me: sustainability, equity and diversity, food justice, and community. I can't think of a better way to, "think globally, act locally," than to be involved in making the HFC a reality.

Forgive my overuse of the slogans, but this year, "Be the change you want to see!"

Jennifer Hardacker  
Board of Directors