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Background

For thirty years I have been the owner of a college advising business, primarily on the East Coast (Massachusetts and New York). I continue to work part-time as an editor and writing coach since moving to Cambria.

Living in Cambria

My husband and I moved to California in 2015 after purchasing our home in 2013. Wanting to create something to directly benefit the community, we began an independent film club in 2017, featuring the best of award-nominated foreign films in quarterly screenings. We had 50 active members going into the spring of 2020.

My husband and I started a local online newspaper for Cambria and San Simeon, CambriaCA.org, in April 2020 to feature information on goings-on in education, local governance, non-profit service organizations, and the arts scene. The paper has grown to over 700 local subscribers.

Local Affiliations:

San Luis Obispo County Food Bank--Summer Lunch and Breakfast Bag programs, as well as a participant in smaller independent endeavors to relieve food insecurity in Cambria and San Simeon.

San Simeon Kids Read Book Initiative—Started with a friend to bring new books monthly to children living in a low-income apartment complex in San Simeon who have no reliable public transportation outside of school hours, and thus, cannot access library books. This will be our fourth year helping to put good quality books into children's hands.

United Way Grant--Wrote a grant proposal in 2020 to purchase educational magazine subscriptions for children in San Simeon.

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Cambria—Former member, served one year on the board, five years as the social justice chair, and five years as the scholarship committee chair or co-chair.

I am a current member of University Women of Cambria and Friends of Fiscalini Ranch Preserve.

I am a writer and editor for the CambriaCA.org.

Why NCAC

Since moving to Cambria, I have worked to become familiar with the issues that affect our community. While I do not have a background in government, I am deeply interested in how government intersects with the community. I see the NCAC as a fertile place to become knowledgeable and thus, a more active participant in the community in which my husband and I are grateful to be members.