

Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

Applicant Package

Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

Term 30 Sep 2025 - 30 Sep 2028

Positions Available 3

Number of applicants in this package 4

- Bower, Chelsea
- Webb, Jennifer
- Schaffer, Jacob
- Korotkevitch, Svetlana

Name: Bower, Chelsea

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Board Name: Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

Primary Phone:

352-222-9900

Please list any civic and professional accomplishments/honors, training or experience related to this appointment::

I have 15+ years working in animal welfare in this community.

Please list any current/previous Advisory Board appointments:

I served 3 years on this board

What Contributions do you feel you could make if you were selected to this board?:

I bring over 15 years of experience in animal welfare in Alachua County, including 10 years in leadership at the Humane Society of North Central Florida and the last 3 as Executive Director. My background includes building community partnerships, shaping programs and policies, and leading teams to improve outcomes for animals and the people who care for them. I'm committed to bringing both big-picture vision and practical insight to support the board's work.

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Yes

Note: This question is for the Gainesville-Alachua County Airport Authority Board

Do you currently hold any publicly elected office in the State of Florida?:

No

Are you currently serving, or have you ever served, on an Alachua County advisory board? :

Yes

If yes, please list board(s):

I just finished my first term on this board

I do hereby attest that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

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- 4. I have adhered to all applicable laws and regulations in my personal and professional dealings.**
- 5. I strive to uphold the principles of fairness, respect, and responsibility in all my interactions.:**

Yes

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Attachments

- BowerChelseaResume.docx.pdf

Chelsea E. Bower

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EXPERIENCE

Humane Society of North Central FL - Gainesville FL- 2022-present

- Executive Director

Humane Society of North Central FL - Gainesville FL - 2015-2022

- Associate Director
 - Manage day-to-day operations of shelter and thrift retail
 - Oversee three locations with staff of approximately 50 employees
 - Animal population management including intakes and adoptions
 - Basic medical including vaccines, blood draws, administering medicine
 - Community outreach, shelter diversion
 - Budget management, fundraising, volunteer/foster recruitment
 - Customer service, crisis management, staff recruitment, training, and disciplinary action

Alachua County Commissioner Advisory Board Member - Gainesville, FL - 2022-current

- Volunteer advisory role for Alachua County Resources and Care

Haile's Angels Pet Rescue - Gainesville FL - 2014-2015

- Executive Director
 - Animal population management
 - Intake and adoption of animals
 - Oversee staff of 2-3 employees
 - Fundraising, budgeting funds

Meridian Behavioral Healthcare - Gainesville FL - 2013-2014

- Crisis Stabilization Unit Counselor
 - Provide individual/group counseling to adults admitted to an inpatient unit for acute psychosis, suicidal/homicidal ideation.
 - Coordinate follow up care/discharge planning for clients with acute mental illness.
 - Participate in multidisciplinary treatment team planning to coordinate care.
 - Conduct daily insurance/utilization reviews to extend insurance coverage for client treatment.

EDUCATION **University of the Rockies** - Colorado Springs, CO - February 2012
Masters of Arts in Psychology
Specialization: Non-Profit Management
GPA: 3.75

University of Florida - Gainesville, Florida - December 2009
Bachelor of Science Degree, Family Youth and Community Sciences
Minor: Human Services
GPA: 3.57

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Volunteer, Alachua County School System
Volunteer, Department of Children and Families
Volunteer, Operation Catnip,
Volunteer, Helping Hands Pet Rescue

Name: Webb, Jennifer

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Board Name: Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

Primary Phone:

775-232-7753

Please list any civic and professional accomplishments/honors, training or experience related to this appointment::

In 2004 I founded an animal non-profit, Shakespeare Animal Fund, whose sole mission is to pay for emergency veterinary treatment when pet owners have suffering or dying pets and can't afford treatment. This is in Northern Nevada and encompasses all but Las Vegas. It is currently going strong and expanding. Two years ago, I opened a second branch in Alachua County. I have worked with veterinarians both in Nevada and Florida, along with Humane Societies and shelters. I have worked with interns at the University of Nevada and the University of Florida, teaching them how to work with animal non-profits. And I have brought a variety of support to this non-profit through grant writing, fund raising, and going out to solicit donors. As an example, Disney, Rachel Ray, Ellen DeGeneres and Comic Relief are some of the organizations that support Shakespeare. In Florida we just got sponsorship from First Federal Bank. Finally, the reason I would like to be on your board is my enduring love for animals. I have walked dogs at Alachua's shelter, volunteered (albeit briefly) at the Humane Society, and will do anything and everything to help animals.

Please list any current/previous Advisory Board appointments:

While I have been on advisory boards in San Antonio and Manhattan, I would say my greater strength is being involved in the community in Alachua Florida. As a non-profit 501 (c)(3), I am a member of Alachua Chamber of Commerce and Gainesville Chamber of Commerce. I attend networking meetings for a diverse group of organizations and am also a member of Gainesville Area Women's Networking. I am a professional speaker by trade, and have spoken at Rotaries and other organizations and am definitely listening to what people are saying within the community.

What Contributions do you feel you could make if you were selected to this board?:

For the past 30 years I have run my own company, Magic Communications where I teach leadership and communications, so I bring to the table a wealth of knowledge regarding effective communication, strategic leadership and vision. I am also on the faculty of the American Management Association, and have three books out on human potential.

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Yes

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Yes

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Attachments

- Resume Jennifer Webb- Shakespeare Animal Fund.docx.pdf

Jennifer Lynn Webb

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Professional Attributes:

Founder and Executive Director of Shakespeare Animal Fund, a 501 (c)(3) founded in 2004 in Reno, NV. Two and a half years ago a second branch opened in Alachua County. The mission of this non-profit is to pay emergency veterinary bills for elderly, disabled and other low-income individuals who have a suffering or dying pet and no means to get help.

Shakespeare has paid out more than a million dollars and is continually working on raising funds to help more individuals. It has received grants and support from PetSmart Charities, Rachel Ray Charities, Comic Relief, Ellen DeGeneres, Petco and others.

Current & past experience:

Running a non-profit in Nevada and Florida simultaneously involves a variety of skills. This includes fundraising, grant writing, working with other organizations like Humane Societies and SPCA's and shelters. It includes utilizing social media, being part of the community by being a member of local Chambers of Commerce and other associations. And by doing so getting support for the growth of said non-profit. It also means working with universities (currently working with interns at the University of Florida), and always professionally championing the rights of animals.

Education:

Master of Science in Psychology, GPA 3.91

Southern New Hampshire University, Manchester, NH

May, 2015

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Magna cum Laude, GPA 3.75

August, 2013 Ashford University, Clinton, Iowa

Note, in my other career-- Magic Communications—I teach leadership and communication.

Clients include:

University of Florida, Honeywell Space Systems, Microsoft, Ernst & Young, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Reebok, Edwards Air Force Base, US Navy, Deutsche Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, Pfizer, Dun & Bradstreet, American Airlines, American Cancer Society, CIA, Apple, Inc. Development Group, Inc., Lake, American Heart Association and Samsung.

Current & Past Affiliations

Alachua Chamber of Commerce, Gainesville, FL
Gainesville Chamber of Commerce, Gainesville, FL
Gainesville Area Women's Network, Gainesville, FL
Women in Communications, New York, NY

Rotary Club, Reno, NV
National Speakers Association, New York, NY
Chamber of Commerce, Reno & San Antonio
Nat'l Assn. of Women Business Owners

Name: Schaffer, Jacob

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Board Name: Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

Primary Phone:

7863332229

Please list any civic and professional accomplishments/honors, training or experience related to this appointment::

Certified in K9 CPR, 1 year working with exotic animals as a handler, 5 years working as a dog handler and kennel tech, 1 year working as a dog trainer and 2 years working in animal welfare at GRACE Marketplace overseeing the Animal Welfare Program

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AWAC

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I can provide insight on processes at the shelter and I also work with the unhoused community at and around GRACE

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No

Employer :

GRACE

Occupation:

Animal Welfare Manager

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Yes

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Alachua County Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

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Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

Applicant Package - Alternate

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Term 30 Sep 2025 - 29 Sep 2028

Positions Available 1

Number of applicants in this package 1

- Korotkevitch, Svetlana

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Board Name: Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

Primary Phone:

352-222-8968

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On your files

Please list any current/previous Advisory Board appointments:

Alternate for Animal Welfare and Housing board

What Contributions do you feel you could make if you were selected to this board?:

Business and personal experience

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Have you, as yourself or as an employee, agent or consultant for another person or legal entity, transacted business with the authority within the last 3 years?:

No

Employer :

Retired

Occupation:

Retired

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Yes

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Animal welfare and Housing

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Yes

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