

2024 Official Candidate Statement City & Borough of Juneau, Alaska Maureen Hall

Candidate: Assembly District 2



Name as it appears on the ballot: Maureen Hall

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Age: 64

Occupation: Retired School Nurse

Children's Names: Brenna, Dennis, Riley and Maddie

Place of Birth: Lakeview, Oregon

Length of Residency in Juneau: 31 years

Communities lived in & dates of residency: Juneau, AK 1993 - present
Yellowknife, NWT Canada 1987 - 1993
Various Western states (Oregon, Nevada, Colorado) — 1983–1987
(spouse working as contract geologist)
LaGrande, Oregon 1978 – 1982
Paisley, Oregon 1959 – 1978

Education: Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Political or Government Work:

When I became a school nurse, I joined the Alaska School Nurse Association (ASNA). Living in the state capital, I have been actively involved with the ASNA Legislative Committee. With the State Department of Education & Early Development, I participated as a school nurse representative to help produce the Alaska Education Challenge, a guiding document for the Department of Education & Early Development.

Business or Professional Work:

More than 33 years as a registered nurse including:

- 1.75 years as State School Nurse Consultant 1
- 17 years with Juneau School Districts as a school nurse
- 11 years as a nurse in a pediatric clinic setting
- Additional experience in homecare and hospital nursing

Service Organization Memberships:

Board of Directors, St. Vincent de Paul – Juneau
Alaska School Nurse Association

Special Interests:

As my children would say, my soap box is [childhood trauma](#) and how we can prevent trauma to ensure that all children can grow into healthy adults able to fully participate in society.

I am a lifelong learner and a “news junkie” from my college years, subscribing to several local and national newspapers and more apt to spend vacation time attending a conference than lounging on a beach although in retirement, hoping to do that as well.

Biographical Information *[limited to 150 words or less. Articles such as “a”, “and”, and “the” will be counted. Any words beyond the allotted word count will not be published]:*

Maureen grew up on a cattle ranch in Eastern Oregon. She earned a BS in Nursing from Oregon Health Science University and moved to Juneau 31 years ago as part of the mining community. Initially working part-time while raising her family, she then embarked on a 17-year career as a school nurse with Juneau School District before transitioning to a role as a school nurse consultant with the state. Recently retired, she is now focusing on serving her community from her diverse background.

For the past 9 years, Maureen has served as a board member and past president of St. Vincent de Paul, a non-profit in our community serving our most vulnerable citizens. She currently manages the volunteer run aid distribution program.

She enjoys cross-country skiing, reading, and most of all, spending time with her family, all living in Alaska and 3 raising their families in Southeast.

Position Statement *[limited to 250 words or less. Articles such as “a”, “and”, and “the” will be counted. Any words beyond the allotted word count will not be published. Negative campaign material will not be published.]*:

As a nurse, a mother, a grandmother and a community volunteer, I would bring these perspectives to our Assembly. I see our community through the eyes of our families and of those living on the margins of our society. Nurses take in the big picture, gather evidence, are task-oriented, good listeners, and work on practical solutions to multi-faceted problems. As a school nurse, our work is at the intersection of healthcare and education so I would bring valuable insight to the needs of both our local health care system and the vital importance of an educated citizenry.

Initially, my focus will be on three key areas:

- **Health Care:** I am particularly concerned with the sustainability of our local hospital and health care system.
- **Education:** We need a strong public school system that prepares our future workforce by offering both trade and college pathways. This preparation should start with access to affordable daycare and high-quality preschool programs.
- **Housing and Homelessness:** My focus will be on the needs of disabled and elderly individuals, as well as those entering the workforce. It is essential to consider whether workers can afford to live here and support a family. Additionally, we must ensure that the homeless have access to mental health and addiction services as well as an opportunity to fully participate in society.

I am prepared to study the issues, listen and learn and help our community adapt to an ever-changing set of demands. Thank you for your consideration.