

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

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New Hampshire Businesses for Social Responsibility convenes, inspires, and supports businesses and their community stakeholders to improve our workplaces, our communities and the environment.

- We <u>convene</u> a robust network of businesses and their diverse stakeholders that share a desire to "do well and do good."
- We <u>inspire</u> business practitioners of all levels of experience through shared storytelling and best practices.
- We <u>support</u> businesses and their change agents to move from idea to action.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT



NHBSR continues to grow programming, membership and outreach resulting in a business network that is engaged and fully receptive to triple bottom line thinking. Our events do more than provide valuable information around sustainable business, they also create relationships among peers that support growth and innovative approaches. Business as a force for good is thriving in New Hampshire.

Our newest program, Measure What Matters, created many opportunities for companies regardless of where they were on their sustainability journey. Webinars focused on business needs spotlighted by our MWM101 survey - experts shared valuable insights on environmental efforts, workplace innovations and movement building. Our MWM partnership with the University of New Hampshire's Center for Social Innovation and Enterprise's B Impact Clinic supported the efforts of leading sustainability companies moving toward B Corp certification. This and many other collaborative partnerships cultivate deep and lasting impact for our state.

Our flagship **Spring Conference** and **Sustainability Slam events** continue to grow and deepen the impact of sustainable business on the New Hampshire business environment. We strive to share innovative ideas, alongside simple, but valuable opportunities to keep NH companies thinking outside of the box and as a result, being more resilient and successful.

Looking ahead, we're excited to continue on this strong trajectory. Our Board of Directors and our valued committees are constantly looking out to the horizon, thinking about what our business community and state can be and how we can support the journey to that vision. Our future continues to be bright and we invite all businesses interested in building stronger communities, better workplaces and protecting the environment we love and enjoy to join us!

Sincerely,

Michelle Veasey, Executive Director

CO-CHAIRS' REPORT



2019 has been a year of building for NHBSR and the time is right for continuing growth. Nationally and globally, corporate social responsibility is gaining steam and quickly becoming table stakes. From bans on plastic straws to global issues like climate change, awareness is growing and expectations are higher, especially from our younger generations – not only millennials but Gen Z coming right up behind them. And they are our future workforce.

Businesses who recognize the opportunity, and responsibility, to improve their workplaces, protect the environment and engage in their

community, will be better positioned for the future. And building a movement of responsible leaders from within the NH business community is what NHBSR is about. NHBSR members engage in the important work and conversations that will build a stronger future for our state. We are a community ready to support each other in this quest and ready to grow. Through our sharing, we can be a mobilizing force in New Hampshire.

Thank you for being part of this journey and we look forward to working together in the years to come.



WE ARE THE CHANGE

Sincerely,

Lisa Drake and Mike Jurnak, Co-Chairs

FINANCE REPORT



Positive momentum was carried into Fiscal Year 2019 with an active and engaged membership participating in an increased number of events. The total number of members grew by 5%, buoyed by a 94% rate of retention. NHBSR enjoyed hosting and participating in a total of 18 events, more than double the amount held in the prior year.

The investment in increased programming and activities was much warranted but did come with increased costs. Expenses increased to \$149,100 from \$128,500 in the prior year. Direct program costs were 80% of total expenses and the cost of other member engagement activities was 9% of total expenses.

Regrettably, the additional programming and activities did not immediately bring revenue growth, as had been anticipated. Revenues moved from \$139,400 in FY18 down to \$134,000 in FY19.

Without a revenue increase to correspond with the increased expenses, a \$15,100 deficit was generated. In-kind contributions valued \$69,100 allowed us to deliver on our mission.

In FY20, the organization will look to maintain a high level of programming and activities to continue moving forward with our mission. The increase in the number of members provides support that we are on the right path. In order to maintain the sound financial position of the organization, there will be an updated perspective on and planning around revenues.

NHBSR looks forward to continuing to adapt to and serve the needs of the New Hampshire business community, working with you to strengthen our communities, workplaces and our environment.

Sincerely,

Sean Matulonis, Treasurer

REVENUES

Membership Dues	51%
Programs and Events	49%
Other Miscellaneous	0%

EXPENSES

Programming	80%
Member Engagement	9%
Administration	11%

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS Services \$57,000 Products \$12,076

BY THE NUMBERS



	2018	2019
Members	187	197
Member Retention ¹	93%	94%
Events ²	8	18
Member Engagement ³	79%	77%
Revenues ⁴	\$139,353	\$133,990
Expenses ⁴	\$128 <mark>,</mark> 483	\$149,081
In-Kind Contributions ⁵	\$ 81,931	\$ <mark>69,</mark> 076

Notes on the Numbers

(unless otherwise noted, values are as of December 31, 2018)

Based on cash basis membership vs. lapsed member lost revenue
 Based on constant contact and partner events

3. Percentage of member companies' event attendance4. Per 2017 and 2018 Forms 990, for fiscal year ended June 30

5. Per vendor-reported and estimated values

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18th ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE

Drawing close to 350 attendees, NHBSR's **18th Annual Spring Conference**—continues to be New Hampshire's premier event on corporate social responsibility. The event brings together business leaders to create opportunities for collaboration and connection, inspiration and action. Participants learned about and shared insights, issues, and ideas at the forefront of corporate social responsibility, including:

A keynote address from **Carol Sanford**, Author of The Regenerative Business focused on uncovering blind spots and building an environment for engaged employees.

Focused sessions on innovative climate actions, value creation, tools for measuring impact and building stronger workplaces and communities. A panel discussion from local business leaders on **strong families** and **vibrant communities** and how the NH business community can drive **positive impact**.

WEARE THE CHANGE



Emily Hall Warren (W.S. Badger), Jeff Baker (Image 4), Stephanie Manners (MegaFood), AnnMarie French (NH Fiscal Policy Institute), Barry Brensinger (Lavalee Brensinger Architects), and Tym Rourke (NH Charitable Foundation) discuss how businesses can help to cultivate individual potential and value for all.

Photo by John Benford Photographpy

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NHBSR provides inspiration, optimism and a network of interesting and enthusiastic people who are willing to share experiences and ideas.

Shaye Hardner, Worthen Industries

SUSTAINABILITY SLAM & JUST ONE THING

NHBSR's **Sustainability Slam** is an exciting evening of dynamic storytelling that brings together businesses across the Granite State to give life to moments of sustainable success through fast-paced presentations focused on content, brevity, and most importantly—fun! A recipient of **NH Business Review's 'Best of Business' award**, the Sustainability Slam has been called **"THE business event of the fall to attend."**

NHBSR's **Just One Thing** campaign helps local businesses share simple stories of sustainability initiatives with positive impact—on the environment, our communities, and our workplaces—and encourages others to take the first step toward a more sustainable future.

Just One Thing stories are shared on NHBSR's website and featured in **NH Business Review.** Stories from organizations of similar size and focus are scored based on scalability and impact. Finalists present their stories live at the **Sustainability Slam**, where winners are selected by the audience via live mobile polling.

Image 4 supports NHBSR as the most effective and consistent advocate of our aspirational business values. As we concentrate on the day-to-day, in-the-trenches tasks of building, maintaining, and expanding the principal of "People, Principles and Profits", NHBSR moves forward the high-level mission of discovering, connecting to, and empowering other socially responsible business leaders.

Jeffrey Baker, President of Image 4



The team from MegaFood celebrates a win and a great night of sharing stories and building connection with a selfie to remember the evening!

Photo by John Benford Photography

This year's Sustainability Slam winners include...



CORNERSTONE AWARD

Sponsored by Normandeau Associates

The **Cornerstone Award** is presented to a member of the NHBSR network—an individual, business, or non-profit organization—that exemplifies the concepts of corporate social responsibility and promotes its principles to New Hampshire and its business community.

This year's recipient, **Amy LaBelle, CEO and Founder of LaBelle Winery**, is recognized for her efforts to integrate environmental initiatives throughout her business, support her community and advance entrepreneurial women in the New Hampshire economy.



Amy LaBelle, CEO and Founder of LaBelle Wineries is awarded the Cornerstone Award for her work to advance sustainability in her business and throughout our communities. Also pictured are Michelle Veasey, Executive Director of NHBSR and Kerrie Diers, Vice President, Normandeau Associates.

Photo by John Benford Photography

PARTNERSHIP FOR INNOVATION AWARD

Sponsored by Ceres



Girls at Work and Timberland were honored for their work to create empowered girls and young women in Manchester. Pictured are Kathryn Conway and Beth Dever (Girls at Work), Lisa Drake (on behalf of Ceres), Elaine Hamel, Girls at Work, Colleen Vien, Timberland and Michelle Veasey, NHBSR.

Photo by John Benford Photography

The Partnership for Innovation Award

recognizes New Hampshire businesses and non-profits for their collaborative efforts to create synergy and progress on issues at the leading edge of local sustainability initiatives. Their partnered approach magnifies local companies' collective ability to do good, promoting a mutually beneficial approach with measurable results that can inspire other business leaders in the Granite State and beyond to take action.

This year's award is presented to **Girls at Work** and **Timberland** for their collaborative work to empower young women in the Granite State.

MEASURE WHAT MATTERS

Measure What Matters NH (MWM NH), builds on an understanding of where sustainability opportunities lie within your company and which are most important to meet your goals. MWM NH provides multiple options to encourage sustainability progress wherever you are in your journey. Members can start with the MWM 101 survey, which provides a simple tool to gain insights into the potential. Those interested in an assessment can access **B Lab**'s free Impact Assessments. MWM NH provides "boots on the ground" with webinars and workshops designed to help members in the specific areas they are interested in improving upon, and a members' only Sustainable Resource Network.



CLEAN ENERGY PRINCIPLES

The **Clean Energy Principles** are a joint effort with Ceres to impress upon policymakers the positive benefit of clean energy investment on the local and global business community, understanding that the road to a more sustainable future for New Hampshire requires a balanced approach to meeting the State's energy needs.

With over 100 companies signed onto NHBSR's Clean Energy Principles, communicating the New Hampshire business community's commitment to advancing clean energy innovation and improving our competiveness, prosperity, health, and security.



Help New Hampshire Businesses Thrive

NH ENERGY WEEK

An annual event in March, **New Hampshire Energy Week** features a series of events geared toward education and awareness of the economic benefits and impacts a clean energy future provides—and will continue to provide—for the Granite State.

New Hampshire Energy Week is a collaborative effort of area non-profits led by The Nature Conservancy, Clean Energy NH, NH Community Development, Ceres, the Environmental Defense Fund and NHBSR.

Together, we hope that NH can develop the infrastructure and investment opportunities to make the state a leader in innovative business opportunities, advancing workforce development and preserving the environment we value.

MEMBER SOCIALS

Member Socials are an opportunity to informally get together for networking, conversation and great refreshments among sustainability-minded businesses and organizations.



OUR MEMBERS

BY THE NUMBERS

Member Businesses 1 Member Nonprofits

153 44

LEADER/INNOVATOR MEMBERS

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