

KCHU Board of Directors Candidate Bio

My name is Tori Rego and I live in Copper Center. I've been listening to KCHU (as KXGA) since 2005 when I first came to Glennallen as an archaeologist with the Bureau of Land Management. I have been a listener and member of local public radio stations since 1995. I was appointed to the board last year and have thoroughly enjoyed working with all the great people that make KCHU what it is. In my short time on the board I have taken part in trainings, fundraisers, and special events. As a member of the Board Recruitment, Orientation, and Training committee, I'm helping draft a New Board Member handbook.

I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Anthropology and Technical Writing, and am nearly finished with a Master's of Science in Resource Management. I'm currently working as a domestic engineer with two small children. Prior to that I worked as a Subsistence Resources Specialist for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game throughout southcentral and southwest Alaska. I have several years' experience in research, outreach, and administrative positions. I have served as a Red Cross volunteer, an animal shelter worker, a reading teacher of low-income ESL students, a recreation advisory board representative, a resource management association vice-president, a women's rugby club board member, and member of geographic information and public outreach committees. I am a member of the local residents' association and currently sit on the local volunteer library board; I have also been working with early-childhood educators and parents to organize and promote a weekly toddler activity group. I believe this demonstrates my commitment to public service as well as cooperative leadership abilities. (I used to have hobbies in my spare time but now I have children.)

Communities are made stronger when members invest their time and energy to support the services and organizations that they rely on, like great local public radio with streaming internet capability. Recognizing that good listening and communication skills foster successful and productive environments, I understand the importance of considering multiple perspectives and points-of-view—something KCHU promotes every day. I value the variety and connection that KCHU helps bring to the broad geographic and cultural areas it serves, and would appreciate your vote for a full term. Thank you for your consideration.

I hope to remain on the KCHU board of directors for another term. During my first term I have greatly enjoyed learning the intricacies of how a public radio station works. I feel that as I gain knowledge and experience, I can become more instrumental in helping KCHU maintain and improve its high quality of service.

I am a member of the fundraising and building committees, as well as the vice president of the KCHU board of directors. I have helped organize and present The Richardson Highway Rendezvous music and arts festival as a successful fundraiser for the radio station for the past 3 years. I get great satisfaction working with, and learning from the excellent members of the BOD, and the staff of KCHU, and hope you vote for me so I can continue to do so. Thank you.