

Candidate Statement: Jeanne Matson

I wish to offer my experience and commitment to NCBA CLUSA's Board of Directors to create a stronger organization overall.

Before my current position at Starnet, I had little awareness of cooperatives. However, both through my work at Starnet and, more importantly, through my active participation with NBCA CLUSA, I recognized the tremendous value of cooperatives. I am a strong advocate of the cooperative model for business-based or purchasing groups.

Purchasing cooperatives have unique needs. Our sector members share best practices and management methodology, which are invaluable in improving our cooperatives. My goal as a board member is to strengthen the effectiveness of NCBA CLUSA conferences for our group and to share these learnings with the larger organization.