

## MOUNTAIN SKY CONFERENCE

### CONFERENCE CO-LAY LEADER APPLICATION for CANDIDACY PROCESS

Return by May 10 to [registration@mtnskyumc.org](mailto:registration@mtnskyumc.org) or to Shelley Rabern at MSCUMC, 6110 Greenwood Plaza Blvd., Greenwood Village, CO 80111-4803. Please attach photo as well.

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Church Membership: Columbia Falls UMC

#### ***Please list your experience related to this***

~~position~~ held numerous leadership positions at the local and conference levels: legacy Yellowstone Missions Steward, Flathead Circuit lay leader, Columbia Falls UMC lay leader, Mountain Sky Conference Secretary for Global Missions, Mountain Sky Committee for Community Engagement

- I have participated in a number of trainings to equip laity and clergy: I completed New Places for New Faces CLM training, I am an UMCOR Emergency Response Trainer, I completed The Academy for Spiritual Formation Two Year Academy #35
- I have organized opportunities for others to learn and grow in their personal discipleship: I have been Co Retreat leader for three Conference 5 Day Academy for Spiritual Formation weeks. I initiated Columbia Falls CROP Walk and continue to be one of the coordinators for the annual walk which supports the Canyon Community Dinners a local outreach supported by CROP Walk
- I am a retired teacher

#### ***What is your vision for the laity in the Mountain Sky Conference? --limit to 150 words***

- I have a vision for the laity within the Mountain Sky Conference to be vital and involved followers of Jesus.
- To be vital necessitates opportunities to engage in a Spirit filled life with varied opportunities to utilize individual gifts and grow in faith. In the days of COVID uncertainties and beyond we will need to be innovative in staying connected. We are already experiencing opportunities enhanced with digital platforms to reach the broad bounds of our conference. The challenge

will be to make these experiences rich, life giving and inviting. They will need to be adaptable for both rural and urban settings.

- Empowered and faith formed laity will continue to be the necessary to bridge and carry the love of Jesus into our communities.

***What are your gifts to accomplish this vision?***

I am a good communicator both as listener and speaker. I enjoy using creative ideas to bring people together for good. I am able to sense needs and see both the big picture and attend to details to reach a goal. I trust in the Spirit to be my guide in working for good in the world.

***What do you see as God's yearning for us as the "church" in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century?***

I believe God yearns for our authentic selves to be employed to live life abundantly. I believe that our Creator endeavors for us to grow and continue to expand our understanding of the awesome world in which we live. I believe that Mystery leads us toward new things which are revealed in time.

I believe that the 21st Century "church" will continue to evolve into the 'beloved community' for all persons.

I have read the 2016 Book of Discipline pages 419-420, paragraph 607, on the responsibilities of Lay Leaders, and the MSC Guiding Policies and Procedures C400 and C401 on the election of Conference Co-Lay Leaders in the Mountain Sky Conference. I have prayerfully considered this calling and commit to fulfill the responsibilities.

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