



Profile: Free State Project Member Amanda Bouldin

Free State Project Members

Free State Project members sign a pledge to move to New Hampshire and work to change the way of life in our state. They do not move here for a job, or for family, or even because they like what New Hampshire has to offer. Instead, they move here because a political group they are affiliated with voted on a state to move to in order to enact a political agenda, and New Hampshire was the unlucky recipient of that vote.

State House Candidate Amanda Bouldin (Hillsborough District 12: Manchester Ward 5)

State House candidate Amanda Bouldin [moved to New Hampshire from Texas in 2009](#) as part of the Free State Project. Bouldin has demonstrated considerable ties to the Free State Project, including:

- **Bouldin has attended the Free State Project's signature annual event PorcFest every year since 2010 – and hosted a session on how to get elected to public office.** The annual three day festival is a showcase and training ground for the Free State Project. Bouldin has been a speaker at PorcFest, hosting events such as “How to Get Elected and Reduce the Government from Within.” ([PorcFest 2015- Speakers](#))
- **Bouldin served as the Civic Action Director and Volunteer Coordinator of the Free State Project affiliated NH Liberty Alliance.** Bouldin has been a [volunteer for the Free State Project affiliated NH Liberty Alliance](#) since 2010, and served as a [Volunteer Coordinator](#) and [Civic Action Director](#) of NHLA during much of 2015.
- **Bouldin has worked to provide a softer image of the FSP by forming a charity, Shire Sharing.** Bouldin founded a [charity](#) to deliver Thanksgiving dinners to the needy, [Shire Sharing](#). Shire Sharing accepts [Bitcoin](#) to fund its efforts. The charity also serves as a means of FSP public relations and outreach; each bag of food has a [Free State coin](#) attached. FSP volunteers for the charity see it as a way to show that the government and its “interference and regulation” are not necessary to provide charity to those in need. ([Free Keene, 11.23.14](#))*

Why is Amanda Bouldin's FSP Affiliation Important?

The ultra-extreme Free State Project voted on a state to move 20,000 people to, with the stated purpose to take over state government and dismantle it. The Free State Project seeks to create a libertarian “utopia” void of public infrastructure and common laws, and to use the power of numbers to dramatically change New Hampshire – even threatening secession from the rest of the country.¹ Members like Amanda Bouldin are actively working to help the Free State Project fulfill those goals.

** Granite State Progress supports charitable actions but also does not hesitate to highlight when those actions are forms of greenwashing, whitewashing, or public relations efforts as well.*

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¹ “Once we’ve taken over the state government, we can slash state and local budgets, which make up a sizeable proportion of the tax and regulatory burden we face every day. Furthermore, we can eliminate substantial federal interference by refusing to take highway funds and the strings attached to them. Once we’ve accomplished these things, we can bargain with the national government over reducing the role of the national government in our state. We can use the threat of secession as leverage to do this.” [[Announcement: The Free State Project](#) by Founder Jason Sorens]