



Eric dressed up as the Grinch holding **Poppy**

I grew up in a small town outside of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. My beautiful wife, Jessie, and I have been married 20 years. We have two sons and one Doggy Daughter...Pryce who is 10, Penn who is forever 5, and Poppy who is 4 months old. We have long standing deep roots in east Tennessee. It is a blessing to be able to raise our children surrounded by such a beautiful environment! My grandfather instilled in me a strong work ethic and to have respect for everyone no matter their path. I previous served on the MCFA board from 2018 to 2021. What I feel I can bring to this board is a solid business acumen, employee development, retail business understanding, and most importantly a love for animals!

My goal is to help the shelter, and the thrift store run efficiently and effectively and provide enough capital to make sure our animals get the best care possible and can be provided to a new family where they will get all the love they deserve. Below are some of my achievements in business as well as other organizations with whom I am aligned:

- Graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania with a double major in Business Management & Human Resource Management and a minor in Economics
- Practicing Free Mason of the 3rd Degree
- Member of Monroe County Chamber of Commerce
- Member of Madisonville Kiwanis Club
- Board Member of Monroe County Chamber of Commerce
- Board Member of Downtown Madisonville Alliance
- Board Member of Maryville Little League
- Board Member of Monroe County Boys & Girls Club
- Executive Board Member of Boys and Girls Club Ocoee Region
- Previous Chairman of the Board for Monroe County Boys & Girls Club
- Previous Board Member Monroe County Friends of Animals (MCFA)
- Previous Board Member Monroe Area Council for the Arts (MACA)
- Previous Board Member Madisonville Kiwanis Club
- Previous President of Madisonville Kiwanis Club

- Voted Businessman of the Year in 2020
- Voted top 5 Businessman of the Year 2021 & 2022
- Active teacher of Junior Achievement Programs operating in Monroe County Schools
- Voted Top Insurance Agent and Top Insurance Agency in Monroe County in 2019, 2020, 2022 and 2023
- Graduate of Leadership Monroe Class of 2019