

Wendi Gabelhouse

My family and I moved to Whistler in 2003 after spending 10 years living in the Caribbean. I've spent most of my career working in the hospitality industry, including owning a restaurant in the Cayman Islands. After traveling extensively with many visits to Whistler, my family and I fell in love with the community, and decided to settle here permanently because of Whistler's unique mountain culture, and the quality of life.

Since 2003 I've held the position of General Manager for Whistler Samurai Sushi and their newest location, Squamish Samurai Sushi (opening soon). As GM I have implemented many restaurant green initiatives at Samurai Sushi, and donate proceeds to local community charities.

I have worked as a community volunteer in Whistler for many events such as music concerts, Telus Skins, TSSF, and 2010 Olympic Torch Relay to name a few. I'm a strong supporter of sustainability in the community, and have taken part in the WCSS Greenhouse program since 2007.

I believe I would be an asset to the WHA as a representative because of my close involvement with many Whistler residents and employees. Having experienced as a young family, the move to Whistler and not knowing whether or not there was a possibility of ever owning a home, it was exciting to find that the WHA existed.

My family and I have been fortunate to rent a WHA rental in Creekside, and have been able to experience its benefits first hand. We are now proud owners in Cheakamus Crossing, and are excited to be a part of Whistler's Legacy neighborhood. My experience with the WHA has been a pleasant one, and I look forward to helping others accomplish their goal of calling Whistler home.