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Hannah is the Program Officer for the Community Foundation for Oceana County (CFOC), having served in that position since September 2022.

WHAT IS YOUR EDUCATION/CAREER BACKGROUND?

I graduated from Breckenridge High School in 2015. From there, I attended Saginaw Valley State University and completed my bachelor's degree in Business Administration with a minor in Communications in 2020. I have always worked in the nonprofit world, starting with my work at the Great Lakes Bay Regional CVB as the Bay County Travel Expert before graduating from college. From there, I moved into my role as Community Engagement Coordinator at the Child Abuse & Neglect Council that serves Saginaw, Bay, Arenac, and Huron Counties. My career goal has always been to work for an organization that works towards bettering the community and I'm eager to help the people in Oceana County.

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO AT THE FOUNDATION?

As the Program Officer, I will be working with the different grant & scholarship programs and community initiatives. I will assist nonprofits & community groups through our grant application portal, students & selection committees through the scholarship process, as well as building relationships within the community. I am beyond excited to be working for the Foundation as I will be able to learn more about the community and build relationships with people from many different walks of life.

WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT OCEANA COUNTY?

Oceana County is where generations of my family are from - my grandparents always joke that I'm related to half the county! So, this is where I spent half of my childhood. We would visit every weekend in the summer, spend every holiday here, and our whole winter break during school. Moving to Oceana County just feels like I have finally come home. Everything that Oceana County has to offer fits my family perfectly, from the beaches to the trails, and of course the community!

WHAT MIGHT OTHERS NOT KNOW ABOUT YOU?

Most people don't know this about me, but I have been a licensed cosmetologist for seven years! I went to beauty school while in high school and got my license before graduating. Although I have never worked in a salon, I still keep my license up-to-date. With such a large extended family, there's surely a person or two who gets a trim from time to time!