

Shana Vanderweele Ortman (she/her) is thrilled to join the Haven Box Board of Directors. Shana currently works at the Rhode Island School of Design, managing events for the President's Office. Her professional roots are as a grassroots organizer for environmental and social justice causes. She has run programs, fundraising, and operations at several non-profit organizations, including the Greenwich Odeum in East Greenwich, RI. As an events professional for the past decade, Shana has worked primarily at independent music venues, including as the Private Events Manager for two historic music venues in San Francisco. She has continued her events career in Rhode Island, and has overseen catering, event rentals, and special constituency events at RISD.

Shana resettled in Rhode Island from California in 2017 so she could raise her kids closer to their extended family. She and her husband are raising two dynamic and energetic young children. When she's not cheering on her kids from various sidelines, she enjoys visiting estate sales, making and enjoying art, and spending time with friends and family.