



THE ROAD AHEAD PARTNERSHIP

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Route 66 Road Ahead Partnership Updates Board Make Up

The Route 66 Road Ahead Partnership will welcome Beth Murray as its newest Board Member at their Annual Meeting in Springfield, Missouri, in March.

Murray will replace Sharon Foster as the California representative. Foster served the Road Ahead since 2018, also contributing her energies to the goals of the State Association Advocacy Working Group.

Murray was introduced to Route 66 at the age of 12 in 1965 and has traveled portions of the road many times since. She brings experience in restoration and conservation of the Roadrunner's Retreat Restaurant and participation with the Los Angeles 90th Festival to her new appointment on the Road Ahead Board.

"Route 66 has given me a purpose and has allowed me to pursue the unusual, photograph the abandoned and become a preservationist and advocate for the road," shares Murray. "Now a new chapter has opened with my appointment to the Road Ahead Board and I could not be more excited. "

The Road Ahead is also now recruiting a new Chair for the Economic Development Working Group to replace Jeff Fulgenzi who is stepping down from the position he has held since 2016. The new chair will lead the Working Group as they seek to act as a catalyst for community development, increasing the prosperity of the people who live along, and are connected to, Route 66 by helping sustain existing businesses and attractions, and developing new ones.

"I hope everyone will join me in thanking Jeff for his leadership, and in welcoming Beth to our Board," said Road Ahead Partnership Chair Bill Thomas.

Established in 2015, with the support of the National Park Service and the World Monuments' Fund, The Road Ahead Partnership's mission is to revitalize and sustain Route 66 as a national and international icon through partnerships focused on promotion, preservation, research and education, as well as economic development.

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