



Hello Future Omro friends and members,

Thank you for your ongoing support of Future Omro and our mission. This year has been one of continued growth and transformation as we work to strengthen the Future Omro Chamber. We truly appreciate your patience as we navigate these changes.

Your continued membership plays a vital role in connecting us to the community and positively impacting the lives of residents. It is thanks to dedicated partners like you that we are able to host impactful community events.

Here's a glimpse of what we do for our partners and for the community:

- ❖ Plan, promote, and host community events that bring thousands of visitors to Omro.
  - Memorial Day Car Show, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Oktoberfest and Jingle & Mingle.
- ❖ Distribute promotional materials statewide and beyond.
- ❖ Work with the City Administration to raise awareness and develop solutions for challenges facing small businesses.
- ❖ Participate in valuable community investment projects (Main Street Program).
- ❖ Provide an on-line Partner Business Directory and offer referrals.
- ❖ Administrate the Future Omro website and social media.
- ❖ Organize the Thursday Night Farmers Market.
- ❖ Seek new opportunities to showcase and promote members and the community.
- ❖ Strive to foster a community culture and shop local mentality.
- ❖ Provide networking and learning events for member businesses.

We are your chamber! If you have any suggestions or ideas you would like to see implemented, please reach out to our Executive Director, Karissa. (920) 666-5881

We look forward to working with you and all the opportunities 2025 will bring!

Sincerely,

Future Omro Board of Directors

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Hello Future Omro friends and members,

My name is Karissa Dahnke, and I'm excited to serve as the Executive Director for the Future Omro Chamber. I'm thrilled about the opportunities ahead and can't wait to meet all of you. Please feel free to reach out anytime—I'm here to help our community thrive!

A little about myself:

I grew up here, and it will forever be my hometown. My roots run deep—my family has been actively involved for generations, with my dad and brother serving in the police department and my mom working at the Omro Care Center. I'm currently a Project Manager at a bank in Oshkosh, where I've coordinated numerous volunteer efforts, led a large holiday event, and currently serve as the Event Director for my dad's American Legion Post organizing craft fairs and brat frys.

I've been happily married to my Omro High School sweetheart, Alex, for over 20 years. We have two incredible children: our 19-year-old daughter, AJ, who is studying Radio/TV/Film at UWO, and our 17-year-old son, Eric, a Junior at Berlin High School who is an avid 3D printer. As a family, we enjoy movie nights, traveling, participating in craft fairs, and indulging in video games together. Our furry family members include our dogs Marvel and Onyxia, and our cat, Stormegeddon.

Beyond my community involvement, I have a passion for photography, have been part of a roller derby team, and have enjoyed the rewarding experience of being foster parents. I also love collecting and researching coins, and my adventures in the world of Comic Cons have led me to meet some incredible celebrities, including Stan Lee and David Tennant.

Fun Facts about me: I'm a total nerd and love Doctor Who! I'm a big fan of raccoons, dinosaurs, squirrels, and turtles. I've actually got a mounted T-Rex head in our living room..instead of a deer head!

Please feel free to give me a call or email whenever you want to chat. Our office is located at the Bridge of Faith Baptist Church (by appointment only at this time), and I would be happy to meet there or at your place of business.

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