

*Sophie spent much of childhood scrambling through the bushes and beaches of the southern Oregon coast on foot and on horseback. She still finds nothing more restorative than time spent in wild native landscapes. The opportunity to help promote their beauty and sustainability through the High Desert Horticulture Center is a gift.*

*Professionally, Sophie has led teams of people large and small to achieve great things by recognizing individual gifts and smothering negativity through timely and open dialogue. Sophie believes that collaboration builds things greater than the sum of the parts. With synergy, we generate hope; with hope, we progress.*

*Sophie lives in Central Oregon with her husband, two children, a dog, and a bearded dragon.*