



2017 San Bernardino County Democratic Party CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. All Candidates MUST fill out and provide prior to the interviews scheduled.
2. Please answer each question and those questions relevant to the office you seek. PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE YOUR ANSWERS SO THEY ARE LEGIBLE.
3. You may answer the questions on a separate page if needed.
4. Please call Second Vice Chair Ron Cohen to schedule your interviews. Ron's number is: (760) 418-5437.
5. The San Bernardino County Democratic Party strongly suggests that you read the CA State Party Platform at [SanBernardinoDemocrats.org/ALL THINGS DEM/CA Party Platform](http://SanBernardinoDemocrats.org/ALL_THINGS_DEM/CA_Party_Platform).

Candidate's Name: _____

Office Sought: _____

Ballot Designation: _____

Street: _____

City & Zip: _____

Day Phone: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Committee Name: _____

Website: _____

Treasurer: _____

FPPC Number: _____

Campaign Consultant: _____

Field Director: _____

Campaign Manager: _____

Manager's Phone: _____

YOU MUST COMPLETE AND SIGN THIS FORM TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ENDORSEMENT.

By signing, you attest that you are :

1. Registered "Democratic Party Preference"; and
2. That these are your own responses and you stand behind your answers.

Signature

Date



Print Name on each page. Thank You

1. Explain briefly why you are running for this office.

2. Have you run for public office before? (Y/N)_____What office?_____What was the result of that election?

3. How long have you resided within the City/District you are running?

4. What are the most important issues that you plan to address if you are elected to office?

5. What experience and other qualifications would you bring to this office?

6. What are your campaign plans and anticipated campaign funding?

7. What endorsements have you received (individuals and/or organizations) and what endorsements are you seeking?

8. Describe your involvement in the Democratic Party.
 - a. When did you first register as a Democrat?

 - b. Are you a member of a Democratic Club in San Bernardino County? If yes, which club(s)?

9. List other campaigns in which you have been involved

10. Your educational history

11. Your Occupational History



12. Economy and Labor Issues (all candidates answer):

Answer the following questions:

- a. Have you failed to vote in any elections in the past five years? If so why?
- b. Do employees have the right to unionize without interference from employers, to collectively bargain and unions have the right to collect dues from members. _
- c. Please indicate your support or opposition to the following and explain:
 - i. Support a \$15/hour minimum wage for all workers with indexing.
 - ii. Require employers to provide predictable work schedules and give employees adequate notice of schedule changes.
 - iii. Require supercenter developers to pay for an independent economic impact report to show how it will affect existing jobs and wage rates prior to approval.
 - iv. Require that app-based businesses be regulated like a traditional business they compete against so they do not have an unfair advantage.
 - v. Require that major employers, like Wal-Mart, that fail to provide affordable health benefits and instead leave workers to rely on Medi-Cal, pay a penalty to offset the cost to taxpayers of subsidizing public health care for their workers.
 - vi. Expand and fund Career Technical Education (CTE) programs.
 - vii. Support efforts to make it easier for workers to join a union through employer neutrality agreements, majority signup or other processes that allow workers to choose free from fear or intimidation.

13. Civil and Human Issues (all candidates answer):

Do you agree with the following statements? Mark *Yes* or *No*

- a. It is important to hire staff and appoint board and commission members that include women, people of color, people with disabilities, and other underrepresented populations. _____
- b. Affirmative action is a good way to ensure a diverse and qualified workforce. _____
- c. Every woman's right to reproductive choice should be preserved. _
- d. Full equal rights, including marriage equality, should be extended to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people. _____
- e. A path to legal residency should be provided for some long-term undocumented immigrants as part of a comprehensive immigration reform. _
- f. Do you agree that all human beings are entitled to basic human rights and dignity, regardless of ethnic, gender, sexual preference or social class? ____



Print Name on each page. Thank You

14. Public Education (School Board Candidates Required to Answer; optional for others)

- a. Do you support/oppose charter schools and why?

- b. What, if any, post-secondary education opportunities for students do you support? How would you utilize your Board position to make that happen?

- c. Have you been endorsed by your District’s Teachers Association/Union? If yes, provide name, if no, explain.

- d. Please explain your position on Proposition 55?

- e. How do you plan on increasing student achievement and reduce the dropout rate?

- f. What does “Privatization” mean to you in the context of public education?

- g. Do you believe teachers should be evaluated?

- h. What is your position on parental involvement in school decision making?

- i. What is your position on religious expression in our public schools?