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# Candidates for District-Level Delegates to the Democratic National Convention: Joe Biden – Congressional District 2

<b>Name</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Communities of Interest</b>
Michelle Anderson	Grants Pass	LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat
Nancy Cleveland	Bend	
Carrie Douglass	Bend	Rural Democrat
Peter Hall	Haines	Rural Democrat
Lisa R. Horwitch	Ashland	
Jay Lininger	Talent	Rural Democrat
Susan Nunes	Medford	
Stephen Rooney	Bend	Rural Democrat
Amy Sabbadini	Bend	
John Scanlan	Pendleton	Rural Democrat
Nathan Soltz	Medford	Asian American/Pacific Islander, Hispanic/Latinx American, Young Democrat
Karen Spears Zacharias	Redmond	Rural Democrat
Kevin Stine	Medford	Veterans or Active Service Members, Young Democrat
Mike Struzik	Bend	
Monica Tomosy	Sisters	Rural Democrat
Linda Weick	Sisters	Rural Democrat
Kevin Winter	Lakeview	Rural Democrat

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*Candidates without statements listed in this pamphlet did not submit them to the Democratic Party of Oregon.*

# Michelle Anderson

CD 2 – Female – Grants Pass, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, Rural  
Democrat



## Statement of Candidacy:

I am a rural, queer, progressive Democrat and I'm running to be a delegate for Joe Biden. I serve as the chair of the Josephine County Stonewall Democrats and a county delegate for the 2nd Congressional District Committee. Class solidarity is essential to progressivism and Mr. Biden won the support of a diverse range of voters across the country. I believe he will build the coalition necessary to defeat Trump in November and repair the damage done so that we can begin to move forward again.

## When you return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, what will you do to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November?

I believe we must educate the electorate on races beyond the Presidential election. People are more likely to vote when they are engaged. I will continue reaching out to marginalized rural voters with the goal of building a more inclusive party in rural counties.



# Peter Hall

CD 2 – Male – Haines, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat



## Statement of Candidacy:

I am running to represent the interests of rural Eastern Oregon. I have run for the State House twice and have learned how to communicate our message with those in the rural West. Philosophically I consider myself a progressive Libertarian and small government Socialist, someone who looks beyond standard political viewpoints. I do not think of only one way of doing something. It often takes a combination of differing policy proposals to come to a successful outcome. A vote for me is a vote for a reasoned approach to developing an inclusive platform focus.

## When you return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, what will you do to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November?

I will do what I have done for several years as the vice-chair and chair in my county. I will engage the residents of every part of our county to encourage Democrats to stand up and be counted and know they are not alone in their communities. I will also communicate with various campaigns on how best to tailor their message for our region. It is most important to make it clear to our conservative community that the Democratic Party is not their enemy, but rather a friend that seeks the best for them against those who would manipulate them for wealth and power.

## For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://bakercountydemocrats.org/>

# **Lisa R. Horwitch**

**CD 2 – Female – Ashland, OR  
Candidate: Joe Biden**



## **Statement of Candidacy:**

I seek your vote to be a national delegate for Joe Biden, who can defeat Donald Trump in November and return integrity and moral fortitude to the office of President. I am a life-long Democrat who has worked in the political arena and campaigns for thirty years. I served ten years as key staffer with the CA State Senate, Committee on Education – guiding legislation that then became law. In both CA and Oregon, I’ve participated in numerous GOTV campaigns, canvassed neighborhoods, registered voters, coordinated volunteers, and organized fundraising events all for Democratic candidates. Twelve years ago I was fortunate to accompany my mother who was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Denver. It was there I witnessed the important role of delegates in the political process. I had already joined Barack Obama’s campaign working in Oregon & Nevada; and, was inspired to spend the final six weeks of that campaign in the battleground state of Ohio, helping to ensure a victory for the Obama-Biden ticket. More recent, 2018, I worked on Jamie McLeod-Skinner’s campaign for Oregon’s 2nd Congressional district. My 2020 focus is on helping to send Joe Biden to the White House. Thank you for your consideration/ vote.

## **When you return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, what will you do to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November?**

My first priority will be to ensure people are registered and that they vote! To this end, I will participate in whatever Get Out The Vote (GOTV) efforts are happening at the time (given COVID-19) – this will include but is not limited to participating with phone-banking, posting to social media, canvassing (if door-to-door efforts are happening), fundraising; as well as hosting house-parties (“virtual” or “live”) to introduce candidates to community. In addition to participating in Oregon, my engagement will also extend to help fund and assist in flipping the US Senate with Democratic candidates – Oregon CD2, and replacing both Mitch McConnell (Kentucky) and Lindsey Graham (South Carolina). There are several solid Democratic candidates running and I believe with ongoing support it will make a difference.



# Amy Sabbadini

CD 2 – Female – Bend, OR  
Candidate: Joe Biden



## Statement of Candidacy:

My students have been my greatest teachers, giving me glimpses into lives far different from my own. Eighteen years in the classroom has shown me how society's failures place undue burdens on our country's children and their parents. From the struggles of migrant farm families to the lack of stable and affordable housing, our youth deserve better. I support a marketplace that has room for innovative business coupled with a robust safety net. Too often our nation's policies benefit those who are already thriving. Hard work and education can earn us The American Dream only if wages are fair and schools are strong. The American Dream isn't real if families are one health care emergency away from bankruptcy. I am running to represent the Central Oregonians whose needs are not yet met. I was raised to put people before profits, and community before self-interest. I serve on committees, testify in hearings, write letters to the editor, and volunteer for campaigns. I have represented educators and students of Oregon at the state level for years and I am ready to serve in a greater capacity now. This is the time to unite Democrats for victory for the many, not the few.

## When you return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, what will you do to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November?

Upon return from the DNC this summer, I will mobilize my community to canvass, fundraise, publish letters of support, and turn out votes for our Democratic challengers to the incumbent Republicans in Central Oregon. I will also continue to use my position as OEA PAC Board member to channel funds and endorsements to ensure we have a Democratic majority in both state chambers and, especially, Secretary of State, given the impending redistricting. Our incumbent Democratic representatives in Congress have been strong advocates for our state, and a strong turnout can ensure they keep their seats and, above all else, that there be no second term for Donald Trump.

# **John Scanlan**

**CD 2 – Male – Pendleton, OR**

**Candidate: Joe Biden**

**Communities: Rural Democrat**

## **Statement of Candidacy:**

My name is John Scanlan and I want to be a delegate for Joe Biden at the 2020 Democratic National Convention. As a rural educator for 29 years, I want to help elect the candidate who will promote social justice, education and environmental protections. For the last three years I have served on the Board of Directors of the National Education Association, advocating for the students of America on behalf of our three million members. We stand for sensible gun laws, increased funding for special education, greater access for mental health for students, safe voting for all Americans, and a great public education for every student regardless of zip code. On March 15th, Joe Biden received NEA's endorsement for President of the United States in the primary election. As a coordinator of the Pendleton School District's Outdoor School Program, the longest continuously running program east of the Cascades, I am deeply concerned about the environment, and trust Joe Biden to lead us in development of renewable resources and environmental protection. I would be honored to have your vote.

## **When you return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, what will you do to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November?**

When I return from the Democratic National Convention I plan to use any influence that I might have on the National Education Association Board of Directors. In that role I visit the Oregon Congressional Delegation in Washington DC three times a year advocating for students, teachers and public schools. The NEA is the largest union in America with over three million members (including Jill Biden). I also serve on the Oregon Education Association Board of Directors representing over 40,000 Oregon Educator. I serve on the OEA-PAC board, and the OEA Congressional Advocacy team. In all of these capacities, I have been a strong voice for candidates that support public schools.

**For additional information about the candidate, visit:**

<https://youtu.be/XJIHJIhu76E>

# Nathan Soltz

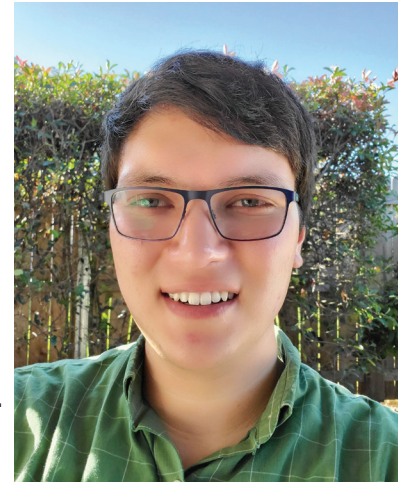
CD 2 – Male – Medford, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Asian American/Pacific Islander, Hispanic/Latinx American, Young Democrat

PLEO: Chair, Latino Caucus / Chair, Platform and Resolutions Committee / Chair, 2nd Congressional District Committee

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## Statement of Candidacy:

Hello Democrats! I am running to be a Biden delegate to do my part in representing Oregon Democrats at the National Convention. I am proud to currently represent Oregon Democrats as a pledged Biden member of the DNC's Platform Committee. When I was first elected as a DPO State Central Committee delegate in 2015, I was only 17 and by far the youngest member of the SCC. Since then, our party has grown significantly and our party's leadership is more representative of our most important asset – our grassroots voters. As we strive to support young people and people from marginalized communities, we have the responsibility to send a National Convention delegation that reflects those values of inclusivity. I have worked from the start of my involvement to bring in new leaders and to foster an environment in the Party that is welcoming to them. As a National Convention delegate, I promise to work to make the Convention as enjoyable and meaningful an experience as possible to all those who attend, especially delegates who are new to the process. I will serve as a resource to support my fellow Oregon Democrats and I hope to earn your vote to do that.

## When you return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, what will you do to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November?

As Chair of the Latino Caucus and Treasurer of the Young Democrats Caucus, I work to mobilize voters from underrepresented communities and to make our Party more accessible. As Chair of the Platform and Resolutions Committee, I work to move our party towards values our communities use to excite, bring in and mobilize their neighbors. However, some of my proudest work is as Chair of the CD2 Committee. I am honored to have among my endorsements those of county party chairs: Priscilla Smith, Crook; Adele Cerny, Grant; Kim Schmith, Jefferson; Brian Clark, Josephine; Claire Reaume, Lake; Serena Smith, Wasco. They know my dedication to supporting Democrats across our district and I will work passionately to elect Democrats up and down the ballot across our state.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

[facebook.com/SoltzNJ](https://facebook.com/SoltzNJ)

# Karen Spears Zacharias

CD 2 – Female – Redmond, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat



## Statement of Candidacy:

As a Gold Star daughter from the Vietnam War, I have a deep appreciation for the role of accountability in government. As a woman who was raised up in the South during the Civil Rights era, who is a product of the “Busing,” I have a deep understanding of the wrongs inflicted by people given over to racism, religious fervor, and bigotry. As a writer, I’ve had ample opportunity to share the stories of a wide-spectrum of marginalized voices, from the migrant to the mentally ill, from veterans to the victims of life-altering violence. I have come to understand that the thing that makes us strong as Americans is our ability to unite in an effort to lift up all people. The Democratic party is the only party that values that diversity of voices and seeks to empower all people, not just the privileged few.

## When you return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, what will you do to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November?

During the 2018 election season, I worked to help defeat Rep. Greg Walden. I did this through a variety of means including Social Media, phone-calling, texting, knocking on doors, rallies, etc. While the candidate I worked for did not win, I know there is value in search work. We must work to take over the Senate as well as the Presidency and retain the House majority. There’s no magic formula. It’s just day-to-day showing up and reaching out. Donald Trump is the proof of what happens when we fail to show up.

## For additional information about the candidate, visit:

[karenzach.com](http://karenzach.com)



# Kevin Stine

CD 2 – Male – Medford, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Veterans or Active Service Members, Young Democrat

PLEO: City Councilor, Medford



## Statement of Candidacy:

I can't wait until we have PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN! I am a City Councilor in Medford, and continually working to make my red city, into a blue one. In 2014, I was the first Democrat to be elected in Medford in a decade, and I've worked to increase our ability to make progressive change. During the primary election, WE WON I served as the campaign manager to get the funding for a Sports and Events Complex in Medford. This will be a great, positive development for our community. I'm a veteran, serving for 9 years of active duty on submarines, and currently a Navy Reservist, where I am a member of the Funeral Honors Team. I also am a substitute teacher in the Medford School District, so I have a good understanding of the challenges that are facing our educators. I continually serve my local Jackson County Democratic Party, and have served as the Campaign Committee Chair for 3 years, getting forward-looking candidates into office. I worked to recruit candidates all of our local legislative races, and as we look towards November, I'll be working to get great candidates across all of Jackson County for City Councils and Mayor races.

## When you return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, what will you do to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November?

As the Chair of Jackson County Democratic Party Campaign Committee, we are getting setup to roll forward into November, getting progressives elected up-and-down the ballot. After 6 years as a Medford City Councilor, I am potentially running for Mayor, and I look forward to working with our candidates for the legislature and Jackson County Commission for a BLUE WAVE in November. Please vote for me to be your future-PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN delegate to the convention!

## For additional information about the candidate, visit:

[www.facebook.com/kevinstineformedford](http://www.facebook.com/kevinstineformedford)

# Mike Struzik

CD 2 – Male – Bend, OR  
Candidate: Joe Biden



## Statement of Candidacy:

Because of the utmost importance of this upcoming election, I feel it's time to leverage my forty+ years of professional business and communication skills to persuade voters how critical new leadership is to the future of this country before we reach a tipping point of no return to civility. It's time to show voters "how to think" and stop letting opposition tell them "what to think". This country needs rescuing in November and relying on old playbooks won't get the job done. Fresh thinking and new approaches are going to be required to convince voters to get up off the couch and vote this November. I've spent my professional lifetime in the persuasion industry, teaching business professionals the psychology, strategies and tactics of how to get people to take action. I've worked with over 75,000 executives worldwide, showing them tools to get people into action, and the same can be done with voters, it just takes a new playbook!

## When you return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, what will you do to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November?

My approach would be to leverage my persuasion skills with other volunteers, teaching them what they'll need to know and do to get our folks elected.

## For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<http://ceofocus-socal.com>



# Monica Tomosy

CD 2 – Female – Sisters, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat



## Statement of Candidacy:

I bring a unique set of perspectives to the Democratic community. For most of 33 years as a federal public servant, I worked in Washington D.C. offices. As a natural resource professional focused on science, policy, partnership, and program management, I worked in results-driven teams on issues including: climate change, epidemics, forest and sagebrush management, pollinator decline, biodiversity conservation, and the advancement of professional development for Native Americans. I married into an Oregonian family, moved to Sisters in 2018, retired in 2019, and began political activism through: “Sisters Indivisible” engagement, “Central Oregon for Warren” leadership, and “Persist Oregon” co-leadership. I am a daughter of Hungarian immigrants who escaped in 1956 and were welcomed in Pennsylvania. My parents’ world before coming to America included: ethnic tribalism, suffering through WWII, and enduring Soviet oppression. The current authoritarian U.S. administration brings chills and is what compels me to act. America’s democratic institutions are at risk from McConnell and Trump. The fight over any policy issue is moot in a non-democratic government. Joe Biden’s integrity, decency, competence, and leadership is what we need on day one, and with the Democratic Senate and House majority leaders’ help, America will revive.

## When you return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, what will you do to elect Democrats up and down the ticket in November?

I will help support the State and local Democratic Oregon candidates, to win the majority in the House and Senate, and to close gaps in traditionally Republican-leaning races, making future Democratic wins possible. I will continue my: engagement in Sisters Indivisible, leadership in Persist Oregon, support for rural Oregon progressive candidates with informational and fund-raising events, and actions suggested by Vote Forward and Swing Left. I will continue to: facilitate activist meetings, make phone calls, send texts, engage in national activist calls, and write letters to editors. I will reach out to current Persist Oregon and past Central Oregon for Warren members, to increase awareness of the candidates and get out the vote in November for Democrats at all levels.