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**At-Large Delegates
Bernie Sanders Caucus**

Voters' Pamphlet

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Candidates for At-Large Delegates to the Democratic National Convention:

Bernie Sanders

Name	City	Communities of Interest
Matthew Aaron	Eugene	Hispanic/Latinx American, Young Democrat
Courtney Anthony	Talent	Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Nathaniel Applefield	Portland	
Deren Ash	La Pine	People with Disabilities, Rural Democrat
Christian Avana	Days Creek	LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Sucheta Bal	Portland	Asian American/Pacific Islander
William Belansky	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American, Young Democrat
Alexis Biddle	Eugene	Young Democrat
Steve Bintliff	Portland	
Heather Bishop	Corvallis	Young Democrat
Bryan Blanc	Portland	Young Democrat
Valdez Bravo	Lake Oswego	Hispanic/Latinx American, Native American, Veterans or Active Service Members
Stephen Britnell	Happy Valley	Young Democrat
Michael “Lono” Burke	Drain	Rural Democrat
Bob Callahan	Portland	Rural Democrat
Lynda Chick	Nehalem	LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat
Abigail Collins	Gresham	Asian American/Pacific Islander, LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities
Jim Cupples	Springfield	Veterans or Active Service Members
James “Jas” Davis	Portland	
Laurence Donohoe	Portland	
Weston Drumheller	Warren	African American/Black, Native American, Rural Democrat

Candidates for At-Large Delegates to the Democratic National Convention:

Bernie Sanders

Name	City	Communities of Interest
Micheal Ellison	Salem	
Ira Erbs	Portland	People with Disabilities
Garrett Fleenor	Hillsboro	Young Democrat
Will Ganschow	Portland	
Emily Gibson	Bend	
Steve Goldstein	Portland	Veterans or Active Service Members
Alan Gormezano	Eugene	Hispanic/Latinx American
Byron Gregg	Hillsboro	African American/Black, Asian American/ Pacific Islander, Hispanic/Latinx American, Young Democrat
Laer Haider	Keizer	Asian American/Pacific Islander, People with Disabilities, Veterans or Active Service Members
Kazzrie Hekati	Portland	LGBTQ+ American
Lucinda Hites-Clabaugh	Forest Grove	African American/Black, Hispanic/Latinx American, Native American, People with Disabilities
Christopher Howell	Portland	
Kyle Huth	Portland	
Deepak Ilango	Salem	Asian American/Pacific Islander, LGBTQ+ American, Young Democrat
Suzanna Kassouf	Portland	Young Democrat
Ben Lavine	Portland	Young Democrat
Adam Levin	Hillsboro	Young Democrat
Seth Lockard	Bend	Young Democrat
Ken Mazur	Lake Oswego	Veterans or Active Service Members

Candidates for At-Large Delegates to the Democratic National Convention:

Bernie Sanders

Name	City	Communities of Interest
Andrea Mazzearella	Astoria	LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat
Suzan Mesik	Drain	Rural Democrat
Jarryd Mitchell	Hillsboro	African American/Black, Veterans or Active Service Members, Young Democrat
Amelia Moore	Portland	African American/Black
Barbara Neidig	Portland	
Daniel Oquendo	Days Creek	Hispanic/Latinx American, LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Angelique Orman	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American
Ashley Pelton	Beaverton	Hispanic/Latinx American, Young Democrat
Lurelle Robbins	Portland	LGBTQ+ American
Omar Sandoval	Dayton	Hispanic/Latinx American, Young Democrat
Brit Siler	Brookings	LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat, People with Disabilities, Young Democrat
Tom Sincic	Portland	
Frank Smith	Florence	Rural Democrat, People with Disabilities, Veterans or Active Service Members
Pacific Stensland	Portland	People with Disabilities, Young Democrat
Lisa Stiller	Beaverton	People with Disabilities
Kat Stone	Roseburg	Rural Democrat
Liysa Swart	Eagle Creek	Rural Democrat
Jonathan Tasini	Portland	
Larry Taylor	Astoria	LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat
Jean Thomas	Roseburg	People with Disabilities
Tommy Thompson	Portland	Young Democrat

Candidates for At-Large Delegates to the Democratic National Convention:

Bernie Sanders

Name	City	Communities of Interest
Vasiliki Touhouliotis	Corvallis	Rural Democrat
Meghan Turley	Portland	Young Democrat
Keith Ullman	Eugene	
Adam Weiner	Portland	
William Whitaker	La Grande	Rural Democrat
Raina Whiting	Vale	Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Jodi Zeisel	Portland	

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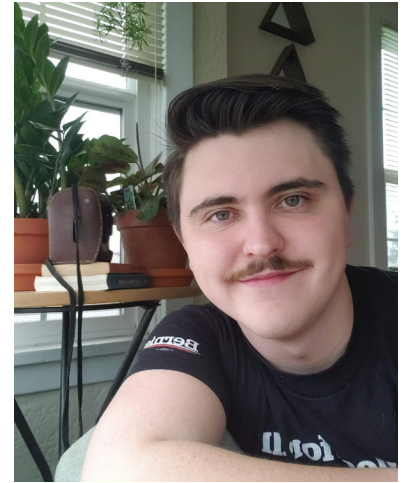
Candidates without statements listed in this pamphlet did not submit them to the Democratic Party of Oregon.

Matthew Aaron

CD 4 – Male – Eugene, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Hispanic/Latinx American,
Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

My name is Matthew Scott Aaron. I am a Democratic Socialist community organizer, “essential” restaurant worker, and student. I believe that this party, the party of FDR, is my party. I believe in this party, and I believe in fighting for the soul of this party. Working people in this country deserve better, this party and this country are ours for the taking. We can do it We must do it. We will do it.

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

To provide greater access for Oregonians in my district to have access to information and resources to better understand and change the Democratic electoral process in the state. We will make it easier to get on the ballot and easier to know who is on the ballot and why.

Courtney Anthony

CD 2 – Non-Binary – Talent, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Rural Democrat, Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I was a Nevada Delegate for Bernie Sanders in 2016, and I hope to be a Delegate once again in my new home state of Oregon! I strongly support the Bernie Sanders platform, and I would be honored to represent 'The Movement' at the convention.

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

Considering COVID-19 we will see what type of outreach is in place.

Nathaniel Applefield

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR
Candidate: Bernie Sanders



Statement of Candidacy:

Once sold as a driver of innovation and a creator of jobs, our economic system is now plunging many in our country into poverty as it threatens to destroy our planet. The gains in our markets are only seen by the privileged few, and with those gains political power has also consolidated in the hands of the already powerful. My name is Nathaniel Applefield, and I'm running for Delegate to give a voice to those too often left behind, to advocate for an equitable economy and for environmental justice. Far too often, our government leaves behind families who are struggling to make ends meet. Far too often, our elected leaders turn a blind eye to the suffering in our communities, catering instead to profits over people. As the Statewide Field Director for Jeff Merkley in 2008, I worked with you to build the largest grassroots movement Oregon has ever seen. As the Political Director for the Outdoor School for All campaign in 2016, I passed a statewide measure so that every Oregon child gets a chance to learn about the natural world. 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?

I will work tirelessly to elect Democrats up and down the ticket this summer and into the fall. While my favorite and most effective means of voter contact is in-person canvassing, that simply may not be possible this year. If that is the case, I will do whatever it takes using phone, internet, or other means to reach out to voters in a meaningful way. I'm committed to Eileen Kiely running for State Senate, Emerson Levy running for State House, Phil Chang running for Deschutes County Commission, and many more.

Deren Ash

CD 2 – Male – La Pine, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

**Communities: People with Disabilities,
Rural Democrat**

**PLEO: Director, La Pine Park & Recreation
District Board**



Statement of Candidacy:

I have been a Democrat and a progressive since I was old enough to register to vote. Single-payer healthcare and stopping climate change have been my top issues for a most of that time, and when I had a stroke last fall (in my thirties), and armed with “good” insurance, I experienced the need to lose our for-profit insurance model at every step. I have been a Berner since 2015. Bernie’s platforms and values are our platforms and values, and we need delegates who can give those progressive values a voice without turning other people off. I have the experience to do that. As a Bernie delegate to the 2016 Hawaii convention, where only 30% of the delegates were for Bernie, I successfully fought against a rule change meant to exclude Berners from future primaries, and for a resolution urging the DNC to remove superdelegates’ superpowers. As an officer and rules chair of the Maui Democratic Party, I had the opportunity to work with people of differing views. As a member of the La Pine Park & Recreation District board, in a very conservative area, with conservative board members and community leaders, I again have that experience.

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 work hard volunteering for two candidates here in Deschutes County who are going to flip Republican-held seats. I will also continue being as active as possible in the DPO to do what I can to ensure the DPO is inclusive and welcoming to newcomers and nonaffiliated voters, and can promote candidates who hold true to Democratic values. It is not enough simply to grow the party. We need an inclusive party, and we must have candidates who people want to vote for, who will advance Democratic platforms that benefit people over big donors. In order to elect Democrats, we need to nominate candidates who will put people over big donors, so we need a system that gives those candidates a fair chance.

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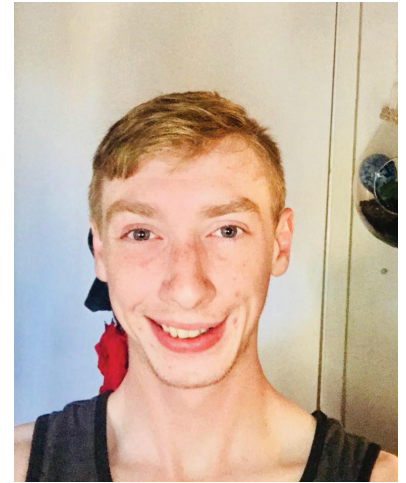
<http://deren4dnc.us>

Christian Avana

CD 4 – Male – Days Creek, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, Rural
Democrat, Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I am a rural Oregonian, running to push a Progressive Populist platform at the National Convention. I am a strong supporter of Bernie Sanders and have dedicated a lot of time in the last 4 years to get him elected and his policies enacted. I am a Democratic PCP helping push my rural Oregonian neighbors towards more progressive democratic stances on issues. I Co-founded a rural Oregonian activist group, named Borderlands, focused on bringing the fundamental principles Bernie and the base of the party have been pushing for rural areas. The policies I feel strongest fighting for are as follows: Universal Healthcare; ensuring no one is left out due to class; college debt forgiveness; strengthening unions everywhere; enacting a Green New Deal and ensuring Pipelines are never set on american soil again; also enacting a guaranteed Jobs act ensuring no one falls through the cracks due to not finding a job, and last ensuring the right to vote of every citizen even if they are in jail. I will do everything in my power to leverage our progressive voice on behalf of rural america, through hard work and a strong will. Thank you for your consideration as a Democratic Delegate.

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

After returning from the convention, I will utilize my PCP tools and help get people registered as Democrat and maintain motivation for all the Democratic nominees in Oregon. Using the Borderlands group to keep people motivated and informed on policies, as well as to interview candidates running for the public to see. I will be helping to push a Republican, Dallas Heard, out of State Senate seat, District 1, by working as an Adviser to Kat Stone for her Senate Campaign. I will go into the hard to reach rural areas, getting normally non-voters out to vote to ensure a landslide victory. I would also like to help advertise throughout southern Oregon to continue our progression to a more open and compassionate society.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://www.flipsnack.com/Borderlands/borderlands-voter-suggestion-book.html>

Sucheta Bal

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Asian American/Pacific Islander



Statement of Candidacy:

ENDORSED BY NEW DEAL DEMOCRATS to bring progressive values to the Democratic national convention. Pledged to support Bernie Sanders. I am an Oregon transplant with Midwest roots and have made Portland my home for nearly a decade, working in the public sector to advance equitable economic growth. I volunteered for the Bernie Sanders presidential campaign and was energized by the diverse coalition of people that participated. The experience inspired me to become more involved in moving the Democratic Party towards progressive goals. I have been elected as a Precinct Committee Person in Multnomah County and I am taking this step of running to be a delegate at the national convention because I want the party to be held accountable to the voices of the working class, immigrants, and people of color. The Democratic Party must be bold in promoting worker's rights, fair elections, and getting corporate money out of politics, so we can return democracy back to the people. Medicare For All, The Green New Deal, and reducing income inequality must be central to its platform and its nominee for President. As a first-generation American, I believe in a safe and welcoming America for all and want humanitarian-based immigration policy.

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 plan to remain active with the BerniePDX group and the New Deal Democrats to help elect Democrats up and down the ticket. I am comfortable with phone banking, text banking and good old-fashioned door-to-door chats (as long it is safe) thanks to my previous experiences campaigning for Obama, Sanders, and as chapter president of Amnesty International in college. I will also serve as a precinct committee person in Multnomah County (precinct 4409) and help inform my neighbors and community of the issues and candidates.

Alexis Biddle

CD 4 – Male – Eugene, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

My name is Alexis Biddle and I believe that all people have a right to a life of dignity. No one should be denied housing, food, and healthcare or education. I support progressive democrats and believe in grassroots organizing in the same spirit as Paul Wellstone. I spend my career and personal life in pursuit of a more just and equal world.

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 knock on doors every weekend. Organize friends to join me. Contribute to campaigns up and down the ticket

Heather Bishop

CD 4 – Female – Corvallis, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Young Democrat

PLEO: 2nd Vice Chair, Benton County

Democrats



VICE CHAIR, BENTON COUNTY

Heather Bishop

Statement of Candidacy:

Since 2016 I have committed everything to fighting for change because I was inspired by Bernie Sanders. While becoming a leader in my County Democratic Party, activism and getting progressives elected, I also met my life partner and made lifelong friendships because we all felt called to action. At the heart of everything, Bernie Sanders has inspired and informed my life to change direction in such drastic and amazing ways. I never thought I would have made such important relationships through a shared goal of a better future. I plan to continue this fight through progressive involvement and to never give up. I will proudly represent Oregon if I am elected, Sincerely, Heather Bishop. Endorsed by New Deal Democrats

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 plan to raise money, knock doors, phone and text bank, hold events, have forums, meet up's and use the experience I have garnered over the last 4 years to activate more voters. I also plan to focus on holding our elected officials accountable to representing our party platform, supporting progressive initiative petitions, push strong legislature and be vocal. I will also make buttons and talk to many strangers and continue talking about all of our amazing candidates.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://orca-us.org/candidates/>

Valdez Bravo

CD 5 – Male – Lake Oswego, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

**Communities: Hispanic/Latinx American,
Native American, Veterans or Active
Service Members**



Statement of Candidacy:

Four years ago, Bernie's vision for an America that works for everyone, not just the 1%, inspired me to get involved in the Democratic Party. I became a Democratic Party PCP and was honored to be the co-whip of Oregon's 2016 National Bernie Delegation. In 2017, I was elected as Vice Chair of the Democratic Party of Oregon. I also wanted to help the community and school that gave so much to me, and in 2017, I ran and won a seat on the Portland Community College Board of Directors. I currently serve as Vice Chair of Health Care for All Oregon. Bernie has changed the political landscape in his calls for #MedicareForAll, a #GreenNewDeal, and tuition-free public college. We must continue that fight. As DPO Vice Chair, I was a DNC member. In collaboration with likeminded allies in the DNC and fellow 2020 Bernie delegates, I will ensure these issues remain at the forefront of our national priorities. I was born and raised in Oregon, and I'm Latino and Standing Rock Sioux. I am an Army Veteran, a husband, father, and a healthcare administrator at the VA hospital. I would be honored to receive 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?

I believe that to win elections, we must reach out to people marginalized from the political process. When I was DPO Vice Chair, I helped achieve Democratic super majorities in the House and Senate. I also co-founded the DPO Native American Caucus to create a space for underserved and underrepresented communities at the table. In addition to canvassing, phone banking, and outreach in support of Democratic candidates, I will continue to create space and opportunities for new voters and for progressive grassroots activists to get involved. We must defeat Donald Trump. But we must also push for much more. The lives of everyday Americans hang in the balance.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/valdezbravo4oregon/>

Stephen Britnell

CD 5 – Male – Happy Valley, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I was a retail worker for 3 years, an EMT for over 10, these days I work with and for my wife's business. I am an Eagle Scout. I consider myself a socialist – I believe in M4A, the GND, abolishing ICE, I believe in Bernie's platform. My life was and is privileged but I have seen the struggles of poverty and racism, especially their effects on healthcare in America, and my hope is to fight for all of the justice Bernie's platform strives for – everyone should have food on their table, quality education, and universal free healthcare. My daughter should be able to grow up in a world free from the strife of climate change and the inequalities of capitalism.

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 donated and phone banked for Bernie Sanders in the primary, I also donated to other progressive candidates. In November I will also donate and phone bank for progressive candidates across the United States. Unfortunately, due to coronavirus I don't think door knocking will be in the cards for November but if that changes, I will support Oregon progressives with my feet also.

Michael “Lono” Burke

CD 4 – Male – Drain, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Rural Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

All Americans, ALL Americans, should have a chance to live the American Dream, not just some, not just a few, but all of us. Bernie Sanders knows that, and he's on OUR side. He's the only one who is. It's time to make our government truly "Of the People, By the People, and For the People", and Bernie Sanders, with our help, can make that a reality. I want to advocate for all Americans and Bernie Sanders.

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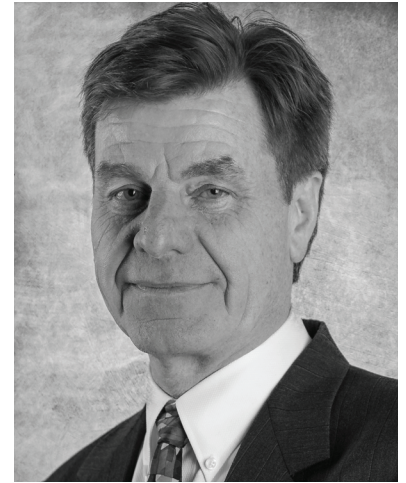
I will talk calmly, reasonably, and persuasively, to anyone and everyone to get us out of the current slide into repression we are in.

Bob Callahan

CD 1 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Rural Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

In 2016, I ran for and was elected an Oregon State delegate for Bernie. Inspired by Bernie's call for action, I attended the PCCC and subsequently ran for Circuit Court Judge in Multnomah County. I am an appointed PCP and am on the 2020 primary ballot for elected PCP in Precinct 3602. I have no doubt that 2020 will be the most important political event in my lifetime. I want to fight for the values we, behind Bernie's campaign and Our Revolution espouse. I want to make every effort to ensure our collective voice is heard in the DNC, at the convention (and not smothered by backroom, last minute politicking) I offer my service to be a delegate for Bernie, to fight for those issues that continue to burn: Medicare for All, Economic Justice, Defending our Democracy.

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 am currently active as a PCP in Multnomah County Dems, and the state Democratic Party; I support local/state and national candidates; donate resources to campaigns; help facilitate voting for those that it would otherwise be impossible and engage with various local elective campaigns in Portland, legislative liaison, as well as developing relations with the rural district in Yamhill County.

James “Jas” Davis

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR
Candidate: Bernie Sanders



Statement of Candidacy:

I've been active in progressive politics for 30 years on issues from universal health care to voting reform, and I've been an avid Bernie supporter since 2015. I got more involved in the Democratic party because of Bernie, and over the past few years have worked to elect progressive Democrats and helped create one of the most progressive county platforms in the country. As a Board Member of the Equal Vote Coalition, I support STAR Voting (Score Then Automatic Runoff) and am proud to have helped bring STAR Voting to the Democratic Party of Oregon and as well as to the recent Independent Party of Oregon statewide primary. I recently ran for Portland city council and am including my campaign website and videos so you can learn more about me and the issues I championed, including a public bank, bold climate action, local food resilience and other progressive issues. I manage Awakenings Wellness Center in Portland and am a supporter of co-ops, place-based economics and building local resilience. ENDORSED by the NEW DEAL DEMOCRATS

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 have worked to help elect progressive Democrats for over 30 years, ever since working on Cal Anderson campaign in 1988; and I will continue to work to elect our candidates up and down the ticket going forward.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nVvOPiJsylU&list=PLay3TdL5j-Ozd1Prjqg93eI21-9mCS6xc>

Micheal Ellison

CD 5 – Male – Salem, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Donor: Grassroots Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

Hello! I am a proud union electrician and father of three. I've been a supporter of Bernie Sanders and the policies he's advocated for since I met him 27 years ago, during his second term in the US House. I am running to be a national delegate because Bernie inspires my belief that things can be better. He has motivated me to commit to what we believe in, no matter how difficult things may seem. I am running because I am still determined to give the working-class a voice at the table, so that we can restore the balance that has been desecrated by corporate greed and influence. I'm running because we still need to push for bold, immediate action on climate change and because I believe that racial & social justice will always be worth fighting for. Like he has told us all along, it's about the movement, not the man. My strong support of Bernie is because of his leadership and his dedication to our movement. Now, I am running to be a Bernie delegate because of my dedication to our movement. It is our movement that is going to make things better, because we still have Us.

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

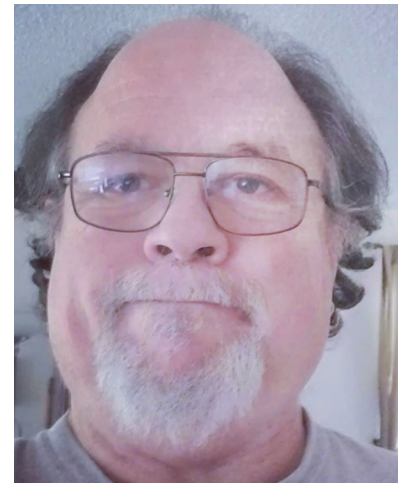
Currently, I am the volunteer campaign manager for an amazing candidate running for the state legislature and I will continue to give everything I can to help get her elected, as well as advocate for other Democrats on the ballot. I also serve as a neighborhood leader and as the registrar for IBEW Local 280. I am hopeful that we will be able to knock on doors during this campaign, but I will undoubtedly be making phone calls, sending texts, registering voters, and organizing online events from now until election day. To top that off, it's a pretty safe bet that I'll share some snarky anti-Trump memes along the way.

Ira Erbs

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: People with Disabilities



Statement of Candidacy:

Hello, I am a lifelong progressive educator, union officer, dedicated Democrat and elected PCP for Multnomah County. Bernie Sanders speaks for me: He's a defender of workers, a universal healthcare proponent, and an advocate for reigning in corporate greed and taxing those most able to support actions for the greater good. I want to represent Oregon at the national convention and fight for these ideals to be incorporated into the Democratic Party Platform. I have worked to promote Democratic candidates as VP of Political Action for the educators' union at Portland Community College and through AFT-OR. I have also volunteered for candidates, donated, hosted house parties, and helped Get-Out-The-Vote. I will show up in Salem and Town Hall meetings to push for progressive legislation and to support the rights of workers in our community. I will continue to be at your job actions as a steering committee member of Portland Jobs with Justice, and will work to promote equity and equal access in our public spaces. I believe there is no room at the table for fascists, bigots and anti-unionists. Elect me, and help us take back our government from fringe elements that are working to destroy our democratic institutions.

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 continue my work for PCC and AFT-OR Unions to motivate members to vote Democrat, to donate to campaigns and to show up and support progressive candidates. I regularly attend PCP meetings and speak up to advocate for progressive candidates for State and Local Office. I am working to limit money and expand access to voter registration. We must educate citizens to the importance of voting and that elections have consequences. I attend candidate forums, and community events and endeavor to inform participants about the Platform and planks of the Oregon Democratic Party and will continue to participate in pro labor, people powered candidate activities.

Garrett Fleenor

CD 1 – Male – Hillsboro, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I am running for a delegate position because I want to see progressive change be made at all levels of government, from the local level to the national level. I've been involved in progressive politics in Washington County since Sanders' run in 2016, and will continue to be involved for the rest of my life. I want to represent Oregon Democrats by being a stalwart defender of progressive advancement, voting for needed progressive policy and platform at every opportunity. At the convention, I will work with my fellow Democrats to imagine and help implement a positive future, where healthcare is a right for everyone, voting is done safely and securely by mail, the rights of people are respected, and justice is for all. I appreciate your consideration, and hope you vote for me so that together we can push forward into a more progressive future.

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 continue my volunteering on a local, state, and national level, including GOTV efforts, chairing the Washington County Rules Committee and being an Executive board member of the Washington County Democrats. I will continue to help produce online campaign materials for the Washco Dems, and even be available to campaigns and other counties to assist in their efforts.

Emily Gibson

CD 2 – Female – Bend, OR
Candidate: Bernie Sanders



Statement of Candidacy:

I am a teacher in Bend, Oregon, interested in serving as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention (DNC) for Bernie Sanders. In 2016, I was a precinct, county, and state delegate for Bernie in Washington. Though I was not selected to go to the DNC, I trained as a “Bernie Peace Keeper” and went to Philly to help with demonstrations and marches. After 2016, I continued to work for progressive issues—specifically Medicare for all and significant climate change policy, and supported Democratic candidates in the midterms. When Bernie announced his candidacy for 2020, I signed on again as a volunteer, organized locally to phone bank and text bank, and put together teams to travel to neighboring states to door knock and help with caucuses. With the campaign, I trained as a Bernie victory captain and hosted over 40 Bernie events in my home, both in person and then virtually after the virus shut things down. I want to go to Milwaukee for the DNC, or attend virtually if needed, to continue the fight for the issues that Bernie has fought for his whole life, and the issues that matter to us here in Oregon. Not me, us.

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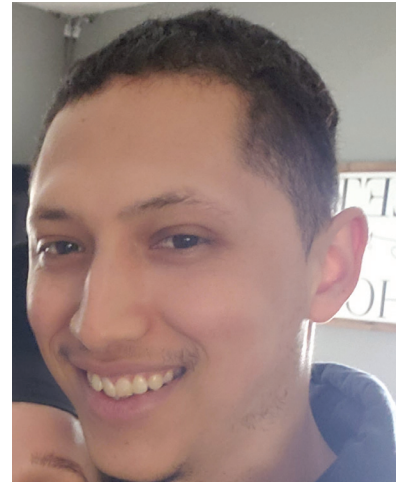
Since we are looking at an election campaign season complicated by a pandemic, I will reach out to candidates to see how I can best support them. I will continue grassroots organizing to help GOTV for Democrats, including Deschutes County, regional, state, and federal. My first priority is to make sure my friends and family are educated about candidates and vote. My next priority is talking directly with voters in my neighborhood and community. This may be limited due to the pandemic, so I will do what is allowed, from canvassing/door-knocking to phone banking, text banking, and using social media. Finally, I will help GOTV by writing letters to the editor, participating in virtual forums, and using yard signs, bumper stickers, and buttons.

Byron Gregg

CD 1 – Male – Hillsboro, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

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



Statement of Candidacy:

I would like to represent Oregon at the DNC as a delegate for Bernie Sanders.

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 vote for Democratic candidates and work with those in my community to get them on the same side.

Laer Haider

CD 5 – Male – Keizer, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Asian American/Pacific
Islander, People with Disabilities,
Veterans or Active Service Members
Donor: Capitol Circle



Statement of Candidacy:

I am proud to have the opportunity to represent Oregon Democrats at the Democratic National Convention, and I am asking for your support. I grew up in a military family, across this country and around the world. I joined the Navy as a medical technologist and left as a Command Chief Information Officer. I came to Oregon to work as a Project Manager and Enterprise Architect. As an Asian American and disabled vet, I offer a unique perspective, with first-hand experience with the challenges of minorities, veterans, and the disabled. I support Bernie Sanders and would like to represent the people of Oregon. I believe the nation is at a precipice and needs to change course NOW. Our democracy is already damaged and nearly unrecognizable. We the People must turn out, make our voices heard, take back the White House, and extend our progressive presence in government. In all these areas, we must push back on the stranglehold the wealthy, corporations, and supremacists have put on our government. To these principles, Bernie has dedicated his life, and I believe in them. I hope you do too, and will support US.

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 wife and I have been active volunteers with the Democratic Party of Oregon for many years – often serving as photographers, while participating in and donating our time, talents, and dollars for party and candidate events, conventions, and fundraisers. These things, we will continue to do for as long as we are able. When we return from the Democratic National Convention, we will remain actively involved in our community, raising awareness, and encouraging people to vote for Democrats. When we can safely knock on doors, we will again canvass in person. We have and will always support Democratic candidates up and down the ticket, and help them get elected, especially those running to flip challenging districts.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ym7zkICrW7wDzrkMK2QkDYS_xrjILZkM/view?usp=sharing

Kazzrie Hekati

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: LGBTQ+ American



Statement of Candidacy:

I'm a political activist supporting economic, racial, social, and environmental justice for all. I sent 80,000+ texts for Bernie, and hosted virtual house parties for other Progressive candidates: Sarah Iannarone, Albert Lee, and Margot Black. I support two ground-breaking initiatives currently collecting signatures to get on the November ballot: IP-34, The Oregon Psilocybin Services Act gives those suffering from depression, anxiety, and anyone that would benefit, a new treatment option by creating a licensed and supervised psilocybin-assisted therapy system. Medical research shows that psilocybin therapy is uniquely effective in treating depression, anxiety, and addiction. To SIGN the FINAL VERSION of this initiative, released SEPTEMBER 28th, 2019... go to: <https://yesonip34.org/sign-the-petition/> Because people suffering from addiction need help, not criminal punishments, I support: IP-44, The Drug Addiction Treatment and Recovery Act. <https://yesonip44.org/sign-the-petition/> Instead of arresting people for drugs, this act uses marijuana tax money to pay for addiction and recovery services and supportive housing, to help people get their lives back on track. This measure doesn't legalize any drugs. It removes criminal penalties for small amounts/personal possession and directs people to treatment. I'd appreciate 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?

As may be obvious from my candidate statement, this is my first time running. I'm choosing to engage with this Party that has slowly drifted farther and farther to the right, and away from my values as a true Progressive. My main goal in getting involved is to impact the Party platform, helping to drag it back to the left, as far possible. ESPECIALLY in this time of SUCH Great Upheaval and Change... We need to embody Progressive values: Compassion, Transparency and Cooperation. When I return from the Convention, I commit to engaging with Party Leadership to assist however I'm needed, to elect as many Progressive Democrats as possible in November. I'm ready to learn how this works and be involved.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://Hekati.com>

Lucinda Hites-Clabaugh

CD 1 – Female – Forest Grove, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: African American/Black,
Hispanic/Latinx American, Native
American, People with Disabilities



Statement of Candidacy:

In 2015-2016 (and 2020) I walked and slid miles in rain & ice to knock, ring doorbells, and ask about voters' concerns, talked and listened to suffering, called Disabilities Caucus Voters, Latinos, First Nation, and Black Voters for Bernie using the Bernie Dialer in 48 states and Puerto Rico, and was honored to represent the 99% in Philadelphia voting proudly for Bernie and his Integrity at the 2016 DNC. ALL of US must be that brave voice chanting, "NO MORE WAR!" when Leon Panetta tries stirring up another war under the guise of False Patriotism; be that body which stands with arm, fist, and fingers held high in a peace sign, refusing to sit down when ordered by DNC Suits (so that National Television wouldn't see HALF of DEMS ARE the Peace Movement and prefer diplomacy and solar to an oil conflict). After 27 years of shaping DEM policies on Platform/ Resolutions, I seek to bring Bernie's Clean Green New Deal Energy Jobs & solutions of compassionate fairness to the DNC table for serious implementation: bringing Black incarcerated men back home to our communities with Innocence Inquiry Commission case review Criminal Injustice Reform oversight. Send me please!

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 a Democrat PCP for 46 years, I believe only Bernie can galvanize students, youth demanding a future with breathable air, aging flower children and peace-loving vets who need Universal Single-Payer Medicare and reduced prescription prices, 1st Nation activists protecting Mother Earth, relatives of immigrant children being caged, Black men voicing concerns after dehumanizing incarceration, and ALL of US who are experiencing this fragile State of Emergency which could so easily be abused by Military Dictatorship, not respecting science. I will continue driving my converted electric car, encouraging retrofitting rooftops for solar panels and wind generators, putting our country to work to reverse Climate Change. Like Roosevelt, we have clear paths to rectifying results of greed. Serving together, we succeed!

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://www.wrongfulconvictionpodcast.com/podcast/s4e2-lucinda-hites-clabaugh-a-schoolteacher-convicted-of-sexual-assault-that-never-happened>

Ben Lavine

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I'm a native Portlander and lifelong Democrat, living in the Woodlawn Neighborhood since 2010. Bernie Sanders's 2016 candidacy had a deeply personal significance for me. Seeing this secular Jewish man on the biggest stage in the world, advocating for the progressive ideals that I strongly believe in, made me feel connected to a part of my heritage that I have always had difficulty relating to. That campaign inspired me to get more involved. I became a precinct committee person, I've volunteered for local candidates and initiatives, and I was elected to the 3rd Congressional District Committee. I also am the chairperson of the Campaign and Candidate Liaison Committee of the Multnomah County Democrats. The people that I've worked with on that committee don't always agree on everything, but we are all dedicated to working together to build grassroots Democrat power, to bring us closer to a world where we take climate change seriously, where people of color can exist in public spaces without the fear of a violent encounter, and where working people can prosper and the wealthy pay their fair share. I am committed to using that collaborative approach in my work as one of Oregon's delegates.

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

The MultDems Campaign Committee is currently discussing a postcard campaign to try to flip US Senate seats in Maine, Kentucky, or elsewhere; facilitating digital campaign events for local candidates, with Neighborhood Leaders working to extend invitations to voters in the relevant districts; a 'slate card' campaign that can adhere to social distancing guidelines; and other communication with and promotion of candidates. I also plan to be personally involved in voter registration and GOTV efforts, as we draw closer to autumn months.

Seth Lockard

CD 2 – Male – Bend, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I am an 18 year old, high school graduate from Bend and I'm running to be a delegate because I want to be involved in the important process of nominating this party's presidential nominee. I believe it's imperative for the viewpoints of the younger generation to be represented as it's going to be us inheriting the planet and we ought to have a say in how it's ran. I'm running as a delegate for Bernie Sanders because I believe his platform is the best suited for an increasingly modernizing world. The challenges of global warming, wealth distribution, and healthcare are going to need to be overseen by a leader with a proven track record of fighting for the common man and not just for a select few. My experience in civic engagement involves making a student government and being the student body president of Bend Senior High School where I strive to make a platform where all students feel like they're being represented. This perfectly matches the qualifications for being a Bernie Sanders delegate and I hope it can be seen as such. I strongly urge you to vote for Seth Lockard and to give my generation a chance!

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 plan to help getting Democrat's elected by participating in phone banks for the various Democratic campaigns in my district, volunteering in any way that I can, and by making some donations to some of the campaigns.

Andrea Mazzarella

CD 1 – Female – Astoria, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, Rural
Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I believe the Democratic Party can better serve our society with strategic and extensive reform. I grew up in Astoria, Oregon and over the last 10 years I've volunteered on the Clatsop Community College Board of Education, the City of Astoria Budget Committee and the Clatsop County Comprehensive Plan Review Committee. I've spent over 20 years working in service related industries, primarily bar tending and a massage therapist, have started small businesses and help run a 501(c)3 non-profit, The Astoria Arts and Movement Center, where we led a successful public campaign to secure nearly 100,000 votes and \$150,000 to historically preserve the Astoria Odd Fellows Building. I believe the greatest service we can offer humanity is to try and alleviate the suffering of our fellow humans. We've seen how the establishment politicians have been leading this country during one of the greatest tragedies of our lifetime. I have watched in horror as many party leaders fail completely to understand and address the issues that the working class and small business as owners are facing, now and always. We need to see some big changes. We need ethical leaders who act with compassion, diplomacy and professionalism.

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 support progressive democratic candidates, partnering with our regional INCO and Clatsop Dems orgs to get the best candidates we have in positions to make the most positive change for the people. We need to unify the progressive and liberal leaning voters and Democratic Party to fight our hardest in November. Canvassing for candidates is one of the most effective ways to influence voters in my region, in addition to using social media influence, video, signage and available technology to promote the democratic candidates that will support a progressive democratic platform.

Barbara Neidig

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR
Candidate: Bernie Sanders



Statement of Candidacy:

I have been interested in Bernie Sanders since I first heard him interviewed on the radio around 2012. Later, I attended his rallies when he campaigned in Portland. It is important to ensure that Senator Sanders issues are reflected in this election. This campaign has been so odd, to say the least, in our pandemic situation. Senator Sanders campaign was truly forced to shut down prematurely. Whether his name appears on the ballot in November, I want to make sure that former VP Biden and the DNC will support issues in the platform that Sanders put forth. And, as Senator Sanders instructed his supporters to do, we will vote for the Democratic candidates in November.

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

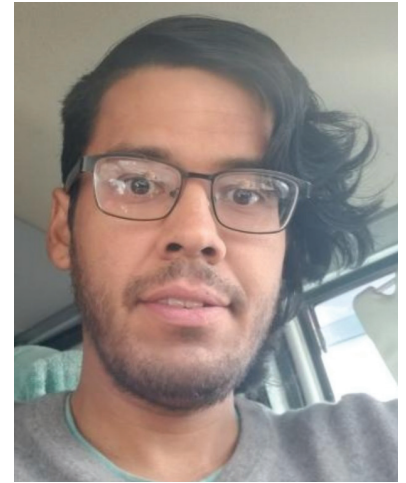
I will communicate to all around me how important it is to vote; and to vote for all Democrats. Getting the Democrats to mail in their ballot will be VITAL. I can hold meet and greets for the local candidates and to help organize candidate events.

Daniel Oquendo

CD 4 – Non-Binary – Days Creek, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Hispanic/Latinx American,
LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat, Young
Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I am running as a Bernie Sanders delegate to represent the diversity of the Democratic Party. I am a non-binary, queer Latinx and I believe that a diversity of voices brings strength to our nation. Paradoxically, while we embrace the diversity that makes us unique, we must also embrace what unifies us because as different as we are, we all live under the same sun, on the same planet. Our species faces ever increasing existential challenges and Bernie has been shouting progressive policies all his life to ameliorate the conditions outrageous economic inequality has on our society and unfettered capitalism has on our climate. Please select me to help push for the party platform we all need to bring balance to a system rife with injustices in support of Bernie Sanders and the “Us. Not me.” movement

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

Leading up to the general election, I will be volunteering to help get Democrats elected. I am already plugging into a campaign for Kat Stone, a Democratic Nominee to Oregon State Senate, District 1. Since it is important to increase voter turnout, I will put in a strong effort towards voter registration drives

Angelique Orman

CD 4 – Female – Eugene, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: LGBTQ+ American



Statement of Candidacy:

Humans are at a crossroads. Change is here whether we like it or not. Things are going to get a whole lot better or exponentially worse. The economy and the climate dictate that we are out of time for incrementalism. The economy is crashing and will take years to recover. The climate is on the verge of no return. Without real change our society faces a significant decrease in quality of life. Without a habitable planet nothing else matters. Each of us is charged with the responsibility to do everything we can to create that change. Bernie Sanders inspired me to believe that real change is possible. “When we stand together there is nothing we cannot accomplish.” I fell in love the day the bird landed and have not stopped campaigning since. I tabled, phonebanked, textbanked, registered voters, canvassed, printed hundreds of signs, buttons, and 20,000 bumper stickers. I made three multi-state Bernie Journies, organized rallies, music festivals, benefits, Bernie and brews, honk and waves and 2 parades. I have traveled 10,000 miles and volunteered over 3000 hours. I would be honored to serve as a Bernie Sanders delegate. Together We Can Create a Better World

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 absolutely everything I can to elect progressive candidates up and down the ballot!

Ashley Pelton

CD 1 – Female – Beaverton, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Hispanic/Latinx American,
Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I have earned a B.S. Degree in Neurobiology, Physiology, and Behavior from the University of California at Davis and continued my education with a Master of Social Work Degree, with a concentration on Latino Families and Culture, from Pacific University. I have a strong interest in advocacy and policy work specific to Oregon's criminal justice and mental health systems and will be dedicating my career as a social worker to their reformation on both a community and state-wide level. Being chosen as a delegate for Oregon's Democratic National Convention would be an honor and a privilege for me because I understand the importance of true democracy and would like to learn more about the process in order to become a more active and engaged citizen in Oregon's political system.

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

Beginning in June, I will be working with the National Association of Social Workers' Political Action Committee to help facilitate endorsements and participate in canvassing and phone/text banking for candidates who hold social work values and who maintain a social equity and inclusive lens. I want to help support community leaders who can effectively represent the diversity within their constituency. Leadership requires a high level of self-awareness, emotional intelligence and the ability to stand strong and fight for what is right and ethical; these are the qualities I will look for in candidates that I stand behind in the upcoming election cycle.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

AshleyPelton.com

Lurelle Robbins

CD 1 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: LGBTQ+ American

PLEO: Chair, Multnomah County

Democrats



Statement of Candidacy:

“It always seems impossible until it is done” Nelson Mandella. Bernie used this quote in his announcement to suspend his candidacy. This is my philosophy along with adding that it is always possible we just have to keep finding ways to make it possible. Bernie spoke in that statement of the issues that will be more difficult and will take longer but are still issues that we must work for and push for. You can find my statement and the video on the website blog or the Democratic Party of Multnomah County. I am the chair of the party and invite you to learn my thoughts there. I am also working with a group and we will be pushing out a campaign called \$2000 NOW in support of HR 6496. Please check it out and encourage your friends across the country to get their legislators to sign on and speak loudly until it is passed. I would appreciate your support and 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?

I will continue to lead the local party to gotv and engage and empower the voters of our county. Last election cycle we engaged with 270,000 Democrats via slate cards, phone, text and post care messages. I envision that we will be doing that again with some new ideas. I will also be encouraging and finding ways for our members and others to participate in flipping the Senate. We must Ditch Mitch and Dump Trump if we are to regain a semblance of decency and respect. Please vote for Lurelle, Bernie Delegate.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

www.multdems.org

Omar Sandoval

CD 1 – Male – Dayton, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Hispanic/Latinx American,
Young Democrat

PLEO: Chair, Yamhill County Democrats



Statement of Candidacy:

I am running to be a delegate at the 2020 Democratic National Convention as a young person and a person of color. As the Chair of the Yamhill County Democrats, I value and prioritize diversity and youth involvement in all levels of government. Before returning to Oregon and working as a Chief of Staff in the Oregon Legislature, I worked as a national immigrant rights organizer who among my rallies and protests, walked from NYC to DC to raise awareness of DACA being rescinded by Donald Trump. I have a long history of taking action and fighting injustice, and it would be an honor to represent you in the DNC national convention.

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 goal in Milwaukie will be to represent Oregon and form connections with other Democrats across the state and nation to help bring winning strategies in Oregon democratic campaigns. I have experience as a campaigner and have helped flip districts from red to blue. I look forward to continuing to get Democrats elected up and down the ticket and expanding the party's reach in areas that have historically been underrepresented.

Brit Siler

CD 4 – Female – Brookings, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities, Rural Democrat, Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

Hello, I would be honored to represent our district at the national convention because I am passionate about compassionate government: one that focuses on our rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. I caucused for Bernie Sanders in 2016 while studying poetry in Iowa City. I was inspired by our gathering in a room together after work, negotiating our favorites in the primary and casting votes with our voices. I have continued to vote for Democrats, while holding onto the ideals of the Sanders campaign. I am motivated to promote life in the form of accessible healthcare for all and protection of our planet. Liberty means equality for all regardless of race, gender, religion, sexuality, income, and any other quality that might currently divide us. This means, for example, making sure people of color and women receive equal pay for equal work, as well as ensuring racial justice in the penal system. The pursuit of happiness means putting education within reach of everyone, regardless of economic status, defending marriage equality and women's reproductive rights, and establishing a livable wage for all workers. I hope to attend the convention and bring empathy into the general election.

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

In my family, I'm always the only Democrat at the table. That's kind of been my experience in Brookings so far, which has me excited to promote the Democratic platform here! I plan to work with the Curry County Democrats to promote our message of equality in our community. This might mean knocking on doors and hosting information sessions with our local businesses. However, if social distancing measures are still in place, it might mean enthusiastic phone banking, getting clever with the Fred Meyer bulletin board, and hand-writing letters to send out in our neighborhoods. I also plan to use social media, which worked so well for President Obama's campaigns.

Tom Sincic

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Donor: President's Council



Statement of Candidacy:

I was proud when, in 2014, I ran for office and The Oregonian labeled me “the unleashed progressive.” Over the last 3 years I have been leading the fight for universal health care both inside and outside the party. As a nurse, here is my pledge: I will take that fight to the Convention. I will use this position to advance the Sanders’ platform. After all, it is about the issues. Additionally, I will fight for the necessary rules to “assure fair and open participation.” A priority will be to create support and solidarity with other state party Sanders’ delegates so together we will say, “Never 2016 again.” My values focus on community, equity, and service to those in need and the environment. It is ultimately about the issues. My concerns are health care access, environment, education, labor, equity, and the influence of corporations (money in politics) on government decision-making. I have the strengths that are necessary for Convention representation as a Bernie Sanders delegate. These are: listening, the courage to speak, strategic thinking, organizing, and seeing the intersectionality of issues. My Motto: “It is time to tear down walls.”

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

We know that committee leadership and majorities matter so it will be essential that I not only do the work but do as much as possible to get others to join me. I will do everything to push candidates to be very progressive in their positions so people want to come out and vote for them. This is how we will win up and down the ticket.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<http://tomsincic.com/>

Pacific Stensland

CD 5 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

**Communities: People with Disabilities,
Young Democrat**



Statement of Candidacy:

I want to represent Bernie Sanders at the DNC. Vote for me and I will do my very best to ensure that Bernie becomes the Democratic Party's Presidential nominee!

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 continue my work as a Neighborhood Leader and as a Precinct Committee Person for The Democratic Party of Clackamas County.

Lisa Stiller

CD 1 – Female – Beaverton, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: People with Disabilities

PLEO: Chair, Healthcare Caucus



Statement of Candidacy:

I am excited to be running as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention representing Senator Bernie Sanders. Since the last convention I have worked diligently for the things Bernie stands up for: Medicare for All, free public higher education funding, ending income inequality, immigration reform that welcomes refugees, expanding Social Security, building affordable housing, among many others. I cochair Washington County for Bernie, worked hard to spread his message and get the vote out for him everywhere and here in Oregon. I work in education, chair the DPO Health Care Caucus, am on the executive committee for the DPO Education Caucus. I am on the DPO Platform and Resolutions Committee, am an alternate to the SCC, a delegate to the CD1, am cofounder of the Washington County Education Caucus, and serve on the Washington County Platform and Resolutions Committee. I volunteer for the City of Beaverton, Health Care for All Oregon, Moms Demand Action, Washington County Ultra Violet, and our neighborhood gift economy group. I will stand firm in promoting Bernie's agenda for a country that works for every single person to thrive. He has been a shining light in calling for economic relief for those who need it during this crisis!

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 to Oregon my intent is to make sure our state (and country) go blue. This means electing Democrats up and down the November ballot. We absolutely can not have another four years of the present administration. We need a Democratic president, Democratic Senate, we need more Democratic representatives, and we must keep our state blue and elect Democrats as local leaders. I will canvass, phone, volunteer to take on additional neighborhoods as a neighborhood leader. I will call into swing states. For the good of this country and every person in it, we have to vote a blue change. Lives depend on it, our democracy depends on it, and people's ability to live dignified lives depend on it.

Jonathan Tasini

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR
Candidate: Bernie Sanders



Statement of Candidacy:

I am optimistic about the future of the progressive movement even in this time of crisis because I witnessed first-hand how the Sanders campaigns' agenda defined the debate over the past five years. I wrote "The Essential Bernie Sanders and His Vision For America" and, at Bernie's request, I served proudly as a 2016 national surrogate, traveling nationwide to speak to activists/voters/supporters and advocating on TV for our movement. In every state and community, I saw how people connected to the Sanders message; for some, it was a first taste of politics while for others, the campaign brought them back into politics. We won the debate on issues—and, now, we have to look to the future to figure out how to best strengthen the progressive movement, building on victories we've had in the past and learning the lessons from electoral campaigns that fell short. I also served as a 2016 DNC delegate. I've been a labor/progressive activist/strategist for my whole adult life. I have supported, and will continue to support, the Sanders agenda and the movement, including, as Bernie says, working to defeat the most dangerous president in our lifetimes.

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 work with my local activist core to spread accurate information and turn out the vote.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

www.workinglife.org

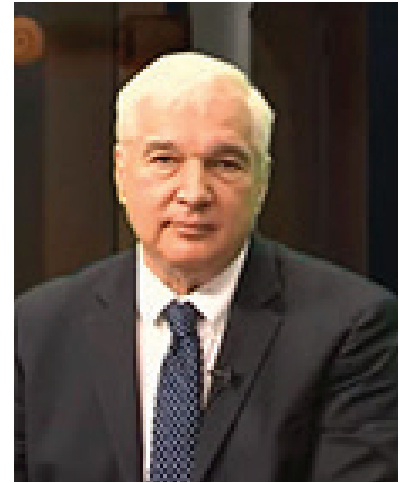
Larry Taylor

CD 1 – Male – Astoria, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat

PLEO: Chair, 1st Congressional District Committee



Statement of Candidacy:

Please vote for Larry Taylor Democratic National Convention Delegate Democratic National Convention Rules Committee State Convention Delegate Larry Taylor helped found OregonForBernie, which worked across Oregon in promoting the candidacy of Senator Sanders. OregonforBernie printed bumper stickers, organized events, collected funds for DNC delegates, helped sponsor BernieStock, and most significantly, created numerous 4'x8' custom campaign signs placed across rural Oregon. Larry Taylor was one of only 3 Oregon Superdelegates who pledged for Bernie Sanders in 2016 (along with Lupita Mauer and Senator Merkley). He is a former DNC member from Oregon who attended both the 2012 and 2016 conventions. Taylor is a solid supporter of Universal healthcare and the progressive agenda of Bernie Sanders. Taylor was a member of the 2016 DNC Convention Rules Committee which passed the resolution supporting the creation of the Unity Commission. If elected to the 2020 Convention Rules Committee, he will work to make the Unity Commission changes permanent, as well as support further improvements to make the Democratic Party more democratic. Taylor is the only Professional Registered Parliamentarian (PRP) in the DPO State Central Committee If elected, he will be the only Professional Registered Parliamentarian in the Oregon convention delegation.

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

Larry will continue, as he has for the past 20 years. in working to elect progressive Democrats to office, focusing on his home district in northwestern Oregon. He actively worked on local campaigns for three great female candidates in the 2020 primary. He will focus the rest of 2020 in keeping HD32 and Clatsop County blue – the only rural blue county outside the I-5 corridor.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<http://electlarrytaylor.com/index.html>

Jean Thomas

CD 4 – Female – Roseburg, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: People with Disabilities



Statement of Candidacy:

A life-long issue activist, in 2003 I became wholeheartedly involved in the political process, working within the Democratic Party to better support progressive values. I actively served at all levels of the Party in Washington state for 16 years before moving to Roseburg last year. In addition, as a Board Member of the Washington State Progressive Caucus for 10 years, I was responsible for education and training, including mentoring members new to the political process. My Facebook page will attest to my ongoing efforts at providing accurate information and encouraging involvement to accomplish meaningful change. I am currently a PCP in Roseburg, and I hope to use my previous political experience to help grow the Party here in Douglas County. I was a Bernie delegate in 2016, and I believe it is critical that the need for progressive change is not ignored during the current coronavirus pandemic. I would greatly appreciate your vote for Delegate to the Democratic National Convention.

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

In addition to serving as a political consultant in the past, my professional expertise is as an editor and communication specialist. However, I am willing to serve wherever needed and to learn from others with more local political experience than I, in order to be as effective as possible.

Tommy Thompson

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I am here today to say, “The status quo has got to go!” We deserve accountability from our representation, we deserve transparency, Oregon deserves champions to fight for those who can’t fight for themselves. My name is Tommy Thompson and I’m running for Democratic delegate because I’m ready to become one of the champions that Oregon deserves. I’ve been a union member and supporter since I joined the workforce at 17 years old. I believe in honest, hard work with fair pay and benefits for workers and their families. I bring innovative ideas, a fresh perspective, and a true vision for what Oregon CAN be and WILL be, but only with the support of each and every one of you.

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 plan is to get right to work. To continue my partnerships with non-for-profits throughout Oregon to reach out and educate Oregonians on the issues and how they can help. Knocking on doors, phone/text banking, social media presence, anything I can personally do to get Democrats in office in November!

Adam Weiner

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR
Candidate: Bernie Sanders



Statement of Candidacy:

I grew up in WI in Russ Feingold's district & moved to Portland in '06. Feingold spoke to my class in elementary school and I've been a proud Democrat ever since. I rallied friends to turn out the vote for Feingold and John Kerry back then & have been a proud Bernie, Merkley, Wyden, & Blumenauer supporter more recently too. I've been successful in getting friends to get more involved in supporting Democrat candidates lately. I'm still plugged in to the community back in my home battleground state of WI and am proud to have recently helped guide my Trump supporter friend to see the light leave the GOP. His lifelong Republican father is leaving too after my friend spoke with him at length. I look forward to furthering my contributions to the public good. Thank you for your consideration.

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

Continue to lead respectful and civil discussions with my ideologically diverse group of friends and family, as well as continue to phone bank and volunteer for Democrat candidates. I try my best to help turn out the vote, especially with those under 40 years old. I also do my best to help dispel myths and talking points from far right wing think tanks like CATO institute.

Raina Whiting

CD 2 – Female – Vale, OR

Candidate: Bernie Sanders

Communities: Rural Democrat, Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

Raina Whiting is a 3rd Grade Teacher in Vale, Oregon. In 2016 she served as a State and National Delegate for Bernie Sanders in the state of Hawaii. She served in various leadership roles in the Democratic Party in the state of Hawaii prior to moving to Oregon. Raina and her husband have a family farm and grow fresh market vegetables in Vale. Raina holds a Bachelor of Art from the University of Hawaii at Manoa and a Master of Science in Education from Johns Hopkins University. Raina is passionate about the fight for Medicare for All, Educational Opportunities and education reform, Agriculture, and socioeconomic improvements for rural communities.

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 have previously worked on a number of local, state and national campaigns in paid and no paid positions. I previously ran for office and have been successful at fundraising and organizing volunteers. I feel confident in helping other candidates in need of support in my area and virtually as needed with campaigns across our state.