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**At-Large Delegates
Joe Biden Caucus**

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

Joe Biden

Name	City	Communities of Interest
Nicole Adams	Tigard	Native American
Sami Al-Abdrabbuh	Corvallis	Young Democrat
Annika Albrecht	Lake Oswego	Young Democrat
Joseph Alongi	Eugene	Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Ricardo Barajas	Portland	Hispanic/Latinx American
Aaron Barber-Strong	Portland	African American/Black, Asian American/ Pacific Islander
Rodger Barkus	Tualatin	
Deb Barnes	Milwaukie	LGBTQ+ American
Patrick Birkle	Saint Helens	Rural Democrat
Mary Botkin	Portland	People with Disabilities
Safiya Braylor	Portland	African American/Black, Young Democrat
Bridget Brooks	Tualatin	
Becca Byerley	Eugene	
Shirley Cairns	Oakland	Rural Democrat
Victor Chavez-Gonzalez	Forest Grove	Hispanic/Latinx American, Young Democrat
Brian Clem	Salem	
Rosa Colquitt	Tigard	African American/Black, People with Disabilities
Tony Corcoran	Cottage Grove	Rural Democrat
Kevin Cronin	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Louise Currin	Portland	
Jeffrey Dickey	Portland	LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities

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

Joe Biden

Name	City	Communities of Interest
Carrie Douglass	Bend	Rural Democrat
Megan Drake	Portland	LGBTQ+ American
Kim Duncan	Portland	
Adrienne Enghouse	Portland	
Chrissy Erguiza		Asian American/Pacific Islander, Young Democrat
Richard Evans	Portland	Veterans or Active Service Members
Alan Ewert	Redmond	People with Disabilities, Veterans or Active Service Members
Tony Fischer	Portland	Veterans or Active Service Members
Carl Fisher	Tigard	Young Democrat
Austin Fohnagy	Vida	People with Disabilities, Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Truman Fritz	Lake Oswego	Young Democrat
Julie Fugate	Sherwood	Rural Democrat
Jeff Furnish	Portland	
Jules Garza	Beaverton	Hispanic/Latinx American, LGBTQ+ American
Emily Gilliland	Portland	
Kamron Graham	Portland	LGBTQ+ American
Carol Greenough	Tualatin	
Diane L. Grover	Lake Oswego	People with Disabilities
Summer Haenny	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities, Young Democrat
Kelly Haider	Keizer	
Zachery Hammer	Portland	LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities, Rural Democrat, Young Democrat

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

Name	City	Communities of Interest
Jack Hanna	Portland	
Holly Hart	Portland	LGBTQ+ American
Rick Hartwig	Salem	People with Disabilities
Bill Harry Hause	Bend	People with Disabilities, Rural Democrat, Veterans or Active Service Members
Gregg Heacock	Bend	
Caryle Hearte	Springfield	
Madison Hibler	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities, Young Democrat
Lisa R. Horwitch	Ashland	
Isaac Houchen-Haun	Portland	Young Democrat
Robert Hourigan	Eugene	
Cari Howat	Albany	LGBTQ+ American
Chris Hoy	Salem	
Kip Ioane	Salem	Asian American/Pacific Islander
P. Shane Jackson	Portland	
Annabelle Jaramillo	Philomath	Hispanic/Latinx American
David Jarvis	Portland	People with Disabilities
Cynthia Johnson	Lake Oswego	People with Disabilities
Brandon Jordan	Springfield	Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Thomas Kilbane	Portland	
Zach Klonoski	Portland	Young Democrat
Eric Koszyk	Portland	Veterans or Active Service Members

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

Joe Biden

Name	City	Communities of Interest
Quintin Kreth	Junction City	Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Jerome Larkin	Portland	
Collin Ledford	Portland	LGBTQ+ American, Young Democrat
Jan Lee	Sandy	Rural Democrat
Jay Lininger	Talent	Rural Democrat
Larry Ludeking	Tigard	LGBTQ+ American, Veterans or Active Service Members
John MacDonald	Portland	Veterans or Active Service Members
Nancy MacMorris-Adix	Salem	
Alicia Maestas	Salem	Young Democrat
Ian McDonald	Portland	
Erik Mitchell		Veterans or Active Service Members
Nicole Mongrain	Portland	People with Disabilities
Emily Mooney	Eugene	Young Democrat
Matt Moore	Eugene	Young Democrat
Whitney Morfitt	Salem	African American/Black, Young Democrat
Joan Morgan	Happy Valley	Young Democrat
Katherine Muldoon	Pacific City	Rural Democrat
Stephanie Newton	Albany	LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities, Young Democrat
Donna Nyberg	Saint Helens	Rural Democrat
Osiris Parikh	Beaverton	African American/Black, Young Democrat
Carina Perez Europa	Keizer	Hispanic/Latinx American, Young Democrat

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

Joe Biden

Name	City	Communities of Interest
Christopher Plummer	Ontario	LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities, Rural Democrat
Gary Points	Portland	
Katherine Pokrass	Portland	
Terri Preeg Riggsby	Portland	
Garet Steel Prior	Wilsonville	
Philip John Quarterman	Portland	
Michael Porter Radway	Portland	
Jennifer Ranstrom-Smith	Independence	Rural Democrat
Dianne H Rice	Lake Oswego	
Rene Rice	Lake Oswego	
Michelle Elizabeth Risher	Portland	LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities
Stephen Rooney	Bend	Rural Democrat
Gerritt Rosenthal	Tualatin	
Moses Ross	Portland	Hispanic/Latinx American
Cheryl Lynn Roth	Wilsonville	
Brett Rowlett	Eugene	
Aninda Roy	Portland	Asian American/Pacific Islander
Faith E Ruffing	Portland	
Amy Sabbadini	Bend	
John Scanlan	Pendleton	Rural Democrat
Marcia Schneider	Portland	

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

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Name	City	Communities of Interest
Michael Scott	Portland	LGBTQ+ American
Tyler Shockley	Dallas	Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Judy Silk	Portland	
Cindy Smith	Portland	Asian American/Pacific Islander, People with Disabilities, Veterans or Active Service Members
Elizabeth Smith	Portland	
Joe Smith	Portland	
Elise Smith Sandusky	Salem	
Barbara Smith Warner	Portland	
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	
Paul Terdal	Portland	
Tatiana Terdal	Portland	
Ericka Thessen	Eugene	
Owen Thomas	Salem	Young Democrat
Don Thomson	Milwaukie	Veterans or Active Service Members
Monica Tomosy	Sisters	Rural Democrat
Jacob Trewe	Eugene	Young Democrat
Tina Turner-Morfitt	Salem	African American/Black
Johanna "Hanna" Vaandering	Hillsboro	LGBTQ+ American

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

Name	City	Communities of Interest
Rose Etta Venetucci	Portland	
Reagan Vincennes	Beaverton	African American/Black
Laurie E. Volm	Portland	
Kathleen Waldrop	Portland	People with Disabilities
Logan Walker	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American, Young Democrat
Maya Ward	Portland	LGBTQ+ American, Young Democrat
Gabriel Watson	Portland	Rural Democrat
Sally Webber	Eugene	
Nicholas Webster	Aloha	
Kevin Weitemier	Portland	
Trang Weitemier	Portland	Asian American/Pacific Islander, Young Democrat
Kate White Horse	Creswell	Native American
Doni Wilder	Portland	Native American
Veronica Williams	Tualatin	
Kevin Winter	Lakeview	Rural Democrat
Yvonne Wolf	Dexter	
Steven Yarosh	Portland	Veterans or Active Service Members

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Sami Al-Abdrabbuh

CD 4 – Male – Corvallis, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Young Democrat

PLEO: Chair, Corvallis School Board 509J



Statement of Candidacy:

Thirty-three years ago, I was given the birthright to be an American. During my childhood abroad, I looked at America as the shining example of accomplishment and opportunity for all. I realized privileges that came with my lived experiences and with the basic fact that I am as equal as any other American in shaping the future of our country motivated me to run for office in 2016, again in 2017, and again in 2018. Each time I was motivated by the potential of making the future better. Today, I serve my community as the Chair of the Corvallis School Board. I feel empowered to speak for our children. I feel empowered to speak for our teachers. I ask for your vote so I can speak for all Oregonians at the Democratic National Convention. We need a message of hope and progress. We need to share our progressive values as we lead the nation by example with vote-by-mail.

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 first run for office, I motivated many younger registered voters to vote and participate in the process. I have been actively leading grassroots efforts in my community to advocate for policies, candidates, levies, and school bonds that support our Democratic values. When I return to Oregon from the DNC convention, I intend to bring the same passion and organization to the November election so we can elect Democrats in up and down the ballot.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<http://samioregon.com/>

Annika Albrecht

CD 5 – Female – Lake Oswego, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Annika Albrecht and I am a candidate to be a Biden Delegate from Oregon's 5th Congressional District. I was born and raised in Oregon and grew up in Milwaukie. I graduated Cum Laude from Linfield College as a triple major in Political Science, History, and Communication Arts. While at college, I was very active in politics as a Campus Organizer for Hillary Clinton, interning for both U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley and our Congressman Kurt Schrader, working on Kate Brown's campaign, managing Ken Moore's campaign to unseat Republican Ron Nobel, and founding a Linfield College Democrats chapter. During my time as president of Linfield College Democrats, we were able to register over 10 percent of our students to vote and saw record turnout from our campus during the 2018 midterm elections. I support Biden because he is the only candidate we can trust to expand the Affordable Care Act, grow our middle class, and make important environmental regulations that will help protect our planet for my generation and those to come. I ask for your vote to represent Biden this summer.

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 the last few months since graduating college, I have been managing a House District race, was elected Campaign Chair for the Young Democrats of Oregon, and have been working with the Biden HQ to spearhead the Oregon for Biden volunteer movement. As President of Linfield College Democrats and Political Director of Oregon College Democrats, I hosted phonebanks, canvass launches, and voter registration drives across the state. I will continue to organize to elect Democrats and register young people to vote as Campaign Chair of Young Democrats of Oregon as well as staying active in my County party. Oregon is my home and I cannot wait to dedicate my life to electing strong Democrats up and down the ballot!

Aaron Barber-Strong

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

**Communities: African American/Black,
Asian American/Pacific Islander**



Statement of Candidacy:

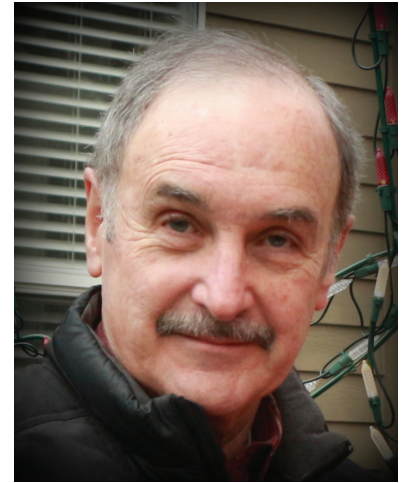
Hello, I'm Aaron Barber - Strong resident of NE Portland, married and father of 4 boys ... and a lifelong Democrat - because this party champions the values I was raised to work for: Equal rights for ALL people, the importance of unions – as they help raise the quality of life for ALL workers and their families – and that no one is above the law. Now on staff at IBEW #48 , part of my role as an organizer is to reach out and build coalitions with other organizations that are improving the lives of many disadvantaged people by using our construction industry as a pathway to the middle class thanks to family health and pension benefits, premium pay, and being treated with respect on the job. I've run phone banks and canvassed for years out of union halls, and distributed Voter Registration cards and slate cards on job sites. I've done a lot of hard work for the right reasons, and believe that as a person of color and a strong Union advocate, that my perspectives will bring value to the DNC. I ask for your vote. Thank 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?

As the recently appointed Political Coordinator for my Union, I've formed a Revamped PAC in our Union. We've listened, interviewed and read and discussed platforms. After a few months, we made our decisions and offered support to them through phone banks, signs and financial support. Our website featured them and kept reminding the members to vote. After the DNC, we'll be in 5th gear. Historically, our union hall has been used as a canvassing center for East County candidates. This year, we will see. The member-to-member phone banking will increase, as well as social media. Campaign literature will be available as well as lawn signs. And at least 3 pieces of mail will be sent by our Union President along w/ the PAC recommendations. Keep it BLUE!

Rodger Barkus

CD 5 – Male – Tualatin, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

I am running to be a delegate to both the district and national convention. I have worked to elect democrats in several elections in the tri-county area including Senator Merkley, Congresswoman Bonamici, Governors Kulongoski and Kitzhaber. I would like to represent Clackamas County Democrats in choosing our next president.

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 priority is electing Democrats to reverse the terrible stench of the Trump presidency and deny the election of any office holders and office seekers who support him. As I have time I will assist any campaign in need of help.

Deb Barnes

CD 5 – Female – Milwaukie, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American



Statement of Candidacy:

As a proud union public educator, I am asking for your support to become a delegate to the Democratic National Convention. The opportunity will give me the chance to share the experience with my broadcasting and journalism students in the North Clackamas School District as I Skype with them during the event. I was lucky enough to attend the Convention in 2012. I was not only able to share the importance of registering to vote but to introduce them to members of the Oregon delegation, the debates, and the news anchors from the networks. This year, I want to be there again to share how democracy works. I want them to become more involved and educated. I want them to see the process. Next school year they will again broadcast live election night television coverage in Clackamas County. I am a proud Democrat. I am a proud member of the OEA and NEA. I served as a member of the Milwaukie City Council. I serve as the President of the Oregon Association of Career and Technical Education. And, I am a proud public school teacher (we can handle disruptions - we have experience in crowded areas) who would 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?

I have a strong social media presence and will use that as a way to continue advocating for our candidate and our issues. I will spend all the time needed to reach out to my fellow Oregon educators to make sure they vote. I will volunteer making phone calls to help our new President be elected.

Mary Botkin

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR

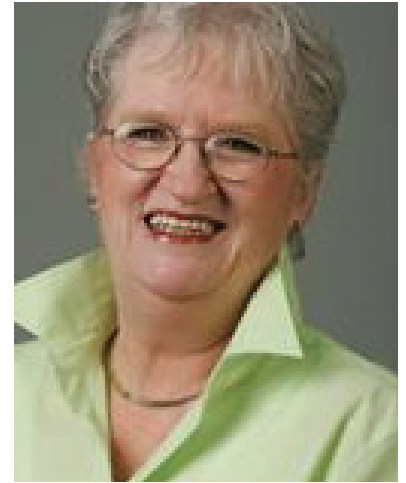
Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: People with Disabilities

PLEO: Board Member, Multnomah

Education Service District

Donor: Grassroots Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

The 2020 DNC Convention will be another FIRST for the DNC. I've been here for many "firsts". I served Oregon as the DNC Woman for 28 years (1984-2008). Bringing in thousands of Union and Progressive funds and volunteers to support the Party and our Democratic candidates. In 1989 Ron Brown announced his candidacy to be the FIRST African-American to serve as the Chair of the Democratic National Committee, I was the first Oregonian to sign up as one of his campaign Coordinators. We won.... Every candidate for delegate has a "list" of accomplishments and mine is as long and impressive as any. But this is not about lists or past accomplishments. It is about the future of our Country and the future of every citizen or resident. Your DNC delegates should be people with new ideas, new energy and the courage to stand up to bully's. Standing beside them should be delegates with history, experience and patience. People with passion and commitment, all focused on one goal: removing Donald Trump as President. Ending the greed, corruption and hatred that has become an unacceptable norm. As one of those people I'm asking for the honor to be an elected 2020 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?

I will continue to do the work that needs to be done. I intend to continue to be a PCP as I have been since 1979. I will make the phone calls and volunteer where needed. I will do the "Party's Work" to get Democrats elected in every position possible. I will do as much door to door work as possible. I will help raise funds from progressive donors as needed to keep our doors open and our programs funded. I will help reach out to new supporters. Register voters and keep my District informed as I always have.

Bridget Brooks

CD 1 – Female – Tualatin, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

PLEO: City Councilor, Tualatin



Statement of Candidacy:

I'm Bridget Brooks and I'm proud to be running as a delegate to formally select Joe Biden as the Democratic Nominee for President. Before I was elected as Tualatin City Councilor, I spent 2 decades practicing as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) with a Masters in Social Work (MSW). I am a community activist and psychotherapist by both training and inclination. While my psychotherapeutic work with individuals qualifies me as a mentor to those in need, my field experience in community building and analysis qualifies me as an effective advocate for social justice on behalf of the economically, socially, and culturally disadvantaged. It's a heartfelt mission focusing on personal and organizational transformation that helps people develop deeper and more meaningful experiences by building their own platform to express themselves. My past professional, community and interpersonal work have become a solid foundation for my 5 current elected official roles in my community and the Democratic Party. I'm proud to have earned the support and votes to serve the City of Tualatin as City Councilor, the voting delegate for the Women's Caucus to the Oregon State Central Committee (SCC), SCC Alternate for Washington County Democrats, and as elected Precinct Committee Person.

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'm committed to bringing home the vision, strategy, and energy of the Convention, in a very big way, because it's vital we win! As an elected official, I'll utilize my platform to communicate with voters, endorse candidates, raise awareness about our party's platform, and how we, as Democrats, best serve voters. As a voting delegate for the Women's Caucus and long time advocate, I'll work to support candidates that reflect and support equity for marginalized groups, including women. Working with campaigns and the Neighborhood Leader Program, I'll continue contacting voters, hosting house parties, strengthening my House Leader District, and mentoring anyone who would like support in their role as a Neighborhood Leader, activist, or candidate. I'll continue contributing to all levels of the Democratic Party.

Becca Byerley

CD 4 – Female – Eugene, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

“Becca Byerley serves as my legislative Chief of Staff and campaign manager. I have seen firsthand Becca’s dedication to bettering our community, providing quality constituent services, and electing Democrats up-and-down the ticket. “Our community and our Democratic Party are stronger because of Becca Byerley. I fully support her election as National Delegate to the Democratic National Convention.”

-Marty Wilde, State Representative - House District 11

“Fellow DNC Member Tanya Shively once gave me sage advice: Always listen to Becca. “To coin a phrase from a certain Governor, Becca is both kinda + smart. As a lifelong Democrat, Oregon native, former special needs instructor for children (pre-K), and dedicated campaign manager/legislative director, she persists and she personifies commitment to Oregon Democrats. “We need Becca Byerley at our side to defeat Trump and elect Joe Biden.”-Matt Keating, Eugene City Councilor-elect & Democratic National Committeeman

I would be honored to serve as Delegate to the Democratic National Convention, restoring dignity, compassion, and a sense of humanity to the office of the presidency. Whether our convention is in-person or remote, I support Joe Biden and a progressive national platform that rights the wrongs of the current occupant of the White House. Thank you, Becca Byerley

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 my role as Rep. Marty Wilde’s campaign manager for his re-election to the State Legislature, I will collaborate and work closely with the DPO’s coordinated campaign electing Democrats up and down the ticket. Statewide, re-electing Senator Jeff Merkley, Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum, and Treasurer Tobias Read, and fully supporting Shemia Fagan as our next Secretary of State are critical. Here in the 4th Congressional District, I am excited to devote time and resources to re-electing our progressive champion, Congressman Peter DeFazio, who is facing a Republican opponent with unlimited GOP resources. I am fully onboard Team DeFazio, Team Wilde, and Team Biden 2020 and I hope you will join me in donating, volunteering, distance organizing, and voting blue this November.

Shirley Cairns

CD 4 – Female – Oakland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden
Communities: Rural Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I am from a rural “red” county. Joe Biden comment before the Oregon delegation at the 2000 Democratic Convention is imprinted permanently on my mind. “We can change bad laws but if Bush is elected we will be in a war”. His words were true and we have the trpagic results. I feel his words today would be “if Trump is re-elected we will have a bankrupt county and no democracy “. That is how important this election is to the future of this country and the world. Joe is a step forward to bring us back to a rational world. We have had enough of alternative reality. I have been active at the state, district and county levels. At the state I have served on almost every standing committee including executive. At the district level I served as chair several times and had successful training workshops At the county level I have served as chair and many years on executive committee. I was willing to step up as candidate for House District 7 when the numbers were 14 against me. Felt somewhat like the breakfast story of ham and eggs. The hen was involved but the pig was committed. I have been committed .

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 write letters to newspapers. I will make phone calls. I will talk to friends and neighbors I will canvas I will do all I can to elect Democrats

Rosa Colquitt

CD 1 – Female – Tigard, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

**Communities: African American/Black,
People with Disabilities**

**PLEO: Chair, Black Caucus / Chair, Budget
Committee**

Donor: President’s Council



Statement of Candidacy:

My hopeful journey to the National Convention began on April 25, 2019 when Vice President Biden announced his presidential candidacy. On the day of his official launch, I downloaded the ‘team joe app,’ pledged my full support for his election, and signed on as a volunteer and monthly donor. From April 2019 to the present, my support for ‘Joe Biden for President’ has never wavered. In April 2020, in collaboration with National Women for Biden, I launched the “Oregon Women for Biden 2020” statewide campaign. Facebook.com/OregonWomenforBiden2020 I’m with Joe in building a nation of equality and justice for all. I’m honored to champion many priority issues with our nominee. These include the “Lift Every Voice” Biden Plan to address economic and social inequality for Black Americans, an outreach model for all communities of color. Also significant are the Biden Plans to assure affordable, quality health care as a right for all Americans, to implement a humane immigration policy to protect and keep Latino families together, to protect women against violence, protect the rights of the LGBTQ community, and to prioritize transgender equality. I ASK FOR YOUR VOTE. Thanks greatly! 100% committed to elect Joe Biden, 46th U.S. President.

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

Plans to elect Democrats in November include massive canvassing via calls both nationally (particularly in battleground states) and throughout Congressional District 1 to GET OUT THE VOTE! As a former county party chair and House District Leader, I’ll use these experiences to provide leadership support to other PCPs to get out the vote! As current director of the “Oregon Women for Biden” campaign, I’ll use the creative virtual training tools I’m gaining through the national Women for Biden community leaders trainings to help get out the vote. More importantly, I will actively recruit other Oregonians to participate in these virtual trainings. As an experienced fundraiser, I’ll host virtual house parties to raise money for candidate support and to provide a platform for effective messaging.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

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Tony Corcoran

CD 4 – Male – Cottage Grove, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I've been a DPLC and labor activist in rural Lane county since the 1970's. Though I am retired, I am committed to ensuring Democratic voter turnout in November. You'll probably see me at the next picket line, whether it's to support county workers, farmworkers, or the doctors who successfully organized at Sacred Heart. These times call for dedicated community organizers unafraid of corporate money and local ultraright bullies with pointy-headed MEGA baseball caps. I served 10 years in the Oregon House and Senate; I've faced Trump's nasty predecessor hate groups in Oregon for 40 years. We defeat them like we always have; with dedication, discipline and solidarity.

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've volunteered to serve as a precinct person. I've contacted Jerry Samaniego, our Democratic candidate in the Oregon House District 7 race against Cedric Hayden. I will be active in Peter DeFazio's 4th Congressional race and in Shemia Fagan's race for Oregon Secretary of State.

Kevin Cronin

CD 4 – Male – Eugene, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, Rural
Democrat, Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

My name is Kevin Cronin and I'm asking for your vote to be a delegate to the national convention. I've been involved for about 10 years in the Lane County Democrats, where I've worked on over 30 different campaigns. Currently I work at the local county housing authority as a Housing Specialist, where I have a caseload of approximately 550 Section 8 voucher holders. Many of the folks I work with have disabilities, are alter-abled or are victims of domestic violence. I'm a staunch housing advocate and I volunteer with the Springfield Eugene Tenant Association, where during the COVID 19 crisis we've been working on short term rent assistance from the county and emergency eviction prevention. I also serve as vice-president of my union, AFSCME Local 3267. While housing is my number one issue, I am an avowed conservationist, stemming from my love of the Willamette River watershed. Every year my family enjoys camping, boating and fishing. My favorite spot on the river is Blue Ruin Island. I met Vice President Biden in 2014 when he visited Oregon to campaign for Jeff Merkley. He is a champion for working people and I'm fired up to help him defeat 45.

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 when I get back from the convention is to get folks from my union involved in the campaign. My plan is to recruit at least 20 shifts from my co-workers to the coordinated campaign. Personally, I'll be knocking, calling, and texting out the vote for the coordinated campaign/labor field efforts as much as humanly possible.

Louise Currin

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Donor: Grassroots Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

A Union and Democratic Party Activist with a history of supporting progressive measures and candidates for over 3 decades. Emerge Graduate 2011. As an officer of a local union board, I realized that it mattered whom we elected to public office and that electeds needed to be held accountable. We are challenged to hold Donald Trump accountable for his horrendous inhuman presidency by resoundingly voting him out of office electing Joe Biden President. I have served as a union leader/activist on local and state boards since 1998. Retired, I am AFT-Oregon Retiree Chapter President, delegate to the NW Oregon Labor Council, and on the board of Oregon Alliance of Retired Americans. As an activist, I had the opportunity to influence state and federal electeds by apprising them of the needs of children and educators. Active in party politics, I served as Chair and Second Vice Chair for the Washington County Democrats, and as delegate and secretary to CD1. I have moved and look forward to being elected PCP in Multnomah County. In the Fall of 2018, I was appointed to the board of the Willamette Women Democrats and serve as Advocacy Chair. Please support me as Delegate to the DNC.

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 a seasoned door knocker and phone banker. I will continue doing both for the 2020 election. I will also recruit and train others to do the same, especially my union siblings. I will also continue donations to the state and local parties to down ticket races in hopes that we can persuade voters to up ticket as well as down.

Megan Drake

CD 1 – Female – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden
Communities: LGBTQ+ American



Statement of Candidacy:

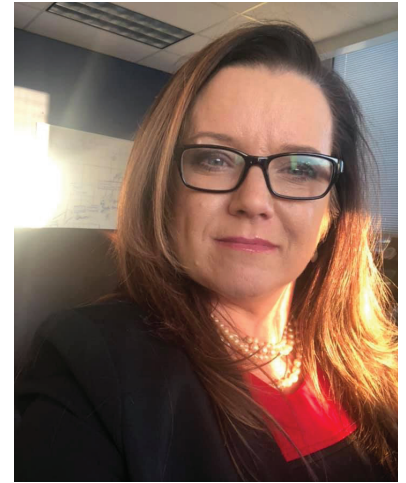
From a very young age, I've been deeply interested in politics. In 1992, I had the opportunity to participate in a mock Democratic National Convention held for all middle and high school students in the state of Oregon. My middle school (Meadow Park) represented Hawaii and as a delegate, I was able to participate in all aspects of the convention, including floor speeches and caucus meetings. It ignited an interest in politics that continues to this day. I never thought I would be able to actually participate in the DNC, so I am beyond excited for this opportunity. As an out lesbian married to a trans man, I pledge to represent the Oregonian LGBTQIA+ community to the best of my ability if I am elected to be one of your 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?

I will volunteer for any and all activities identified by the Oregon Democratic Party - turf cutting, door-to-door, phone banking, etc. The down ticket races are just as important, if not more so, than those at the top of the ticket.

Adrienne Enghouse

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Donor: President's Council

Statement of Candidacy:

Adrienne is the mother of three adult boys. One a veteran of the United States Marine Corp and two attending Oregon Colleges. She has been a nurse in the Portland Metro area for 22 years. She is a union and community activist, caring deeply about issues that affect Oregonians everyday. She graduate from Oregon public school system and attended community college, to obtain her nursing degree. Adrienne grew up in a small mill town west of Portland and has a unique perspective of not only metro Portland families, but rural communities and their unique challenges. Currently Adrienne serves on the Oregon State Board of Nursing and is the elected president of the Oregon Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals.

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 the same thing I have done in the past, except with more intensity. We must raise funds, and GOTV for all Dem candidates. I have committed three hours a day, Monday thru Friday in the primaries . I will increase that time to include weekends. I hope we will be able to canvas before Fall.

Chrissy Erguiza

CD 1 – Female – , OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Asian American/Pacific
Islander, Young Democrat

Donor: Grassroots Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I'm running to represent Oregon as a Biden Delegate. As a longtime Democratic Party volunteer and have served as a Precinct Committee Person in both Lane County and Washington County, for nearly 15 years, I've knocked doors, phone banked, as well as planned fundraisers in support of Democrats candidates. I am passionate about voter education and registration. I'm a former Vice-Chair ('16-18') of the Washington County Democrats and currently serve as their Blue Horizon Sustaining Fund Chair. In addition, I am currently Chair of the DPO's Local Events at State Fair Committee as well as the Chair of DPO's Asian American & Pacific Islander Caucus. The AAPI community is the fastest-growing electorate in the US and here in Oregon. We've seen an increase of AAPI representation over the years and I'm proud of the work I contributed as a campaign manager electing the first Person of Color/AAPI to the Lake Oswego City Council in 2018. Every year, I also participate in the Asian American Youth Leadership Conference to register high school students to vote. Outside of Party organizing, I've served on Planned Parenthood's Leadership and Advocacy Team assisting in flipping our local school boards to support students' access to healthcare.

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 long-time State/County Party volunteer I understand the importance of electing Democrats up and down the ballot. I am committed to continuing to find spaces where I am needed to make sure our grassroots operations and organizing is effective. Naturally, I will partake in my County's robust Neighborhood Leader program to engage my neighbors to vote down-ticket. Depending on what the COVID-19 situation looks like, traditional methods may be limited, but I will call, email, and send letters/postcards. In my role as Asian American & Pacific Islander Caucus Chair, I will continue to work passionately to amplify and help elect the three Democratic AAPI candidates who are running for State Representative in November - this will include planning Zoom calls, in addition to fundraising and campaign efforts. Currently, the entire Oregon Legislature has no AAPI representation and it has been that way for a decade.

Richard Evans

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Veterans or Active Service Members



Statement of Candidacy:

I am a Navy veteran of the Korea War, long time Democrat. I have a vision that we will elect people that bring our country together again with a progressive platform focused on solving the many issues of time. Some of the most important are inequality, health care for all, immigration, racism, climate, peace and justice. I will fully support the Biden ticket. Thank you for 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 the websites, phones, emails, lawn signs, door to door, contribute money, whatever it takes to elect the full democratic ticket.

Alan Ewert

CD 2 – Male – Redmond, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: People with Disabilities,
Veterans or Active Service Members



Statement of Candidacy:

Most of us wake up each day with a growing sense that our country is in disarray and facing increasing uncertainty. We see a United States less “great” than it was four years ago, a diminished global presence, unable to effectively respond to Covid-19, with subsequent financial decline, especially prominent across economic and racial lines. Instead of seeing leadership and vision coming from the White House, we see corruption, disregard for the law, a diminishment of our cherished institutions, and an utter lack of integrity, truthfulness, and fidelity. Many of us simply do not trust anything the President says and believe his actions are primarily intended for personal and political gain. One answer to these pressing issues is replacement. The next president needs to be someone who can replace lies with truth, personal attacks with a sense of unity, and lack of vision with responsible leadership. Replacing a president obsessed with re-election and self-serving ends, will be paramount to the salvation of our country teetering on the precipice of democratic collapse. Removing the current President is the only way forward for the betterment of the country. As a delegate, I will support Joe Biden’s nomination for our next President of the United States.

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

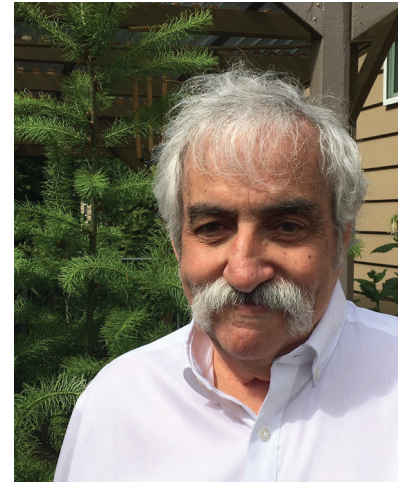
I live in Central Oregon, and specifically in Redmond. I want to focus my efforts on the “red” part of Oregon, namely, the central and eastern parts of the state. Since I am relatively new to the political process at a local level, I would rely on the Democratic organization to provide insight on how best to serve. In particular, I envision activities such as voter encouragement, talking with groups of potential voters, signage, and establishing a “voice” as well as a presence in the “reddest” parts of the state. I consider lending my time and efforts toward the promotion of our most cherished democratic principles of the political process a true honor.

Tony Fischer

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Veterans or Active Services Members



Statement of Candidacy:

At age 70 (!) I can say with pride I am a lifelong Democrat, community activist, political activist, union leader and enjoyed a long career of service and held leadership positions in Public Education (20 years+), Criminal Justice Services (10 years+), Homeowners Associations as well as a stint the United State Navy during the Vietnam Era. I will devote the time and energy to the duties and responsibilities involved. Loyalty to former Vice President Biden and the Democratic Party is essential. I also bring leadership skills, organizational skills, creative thinking and critical thinking to the position. We'll undoubtedly face unanticipated challenges and I am prepared to keep an open mind towards problem-solving and using teamwork.. I realize there will be "ups and downs" and we'll need to utilize a reasoned approach. Today, I am an Oregonian and a Portlander by choice, which is just great. Our family moved here from New Jersey and Arizona but our youngest granddaughter, Alizabelle, is a native Oregonian. Yay! Our roots are planted here permanently. I began my interest in politics at age eleven during the Kennedy - Nixon election. I have worked in various capacities from simple phone canvassing through running campaigns beginning with the McGovern campaign.

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'm inclined to state the obvious, "whatever is needed". But let's delve just a little deeper. I think we need to really get out the vote for our next President Joe Biden and build up as strong a majority as we can. Ditto for Senator Merkley and the rest of our great candidates up and down the line, especially in close races. I do believe we can help Biden's important efforts in other states, however, such as Arizona and Wisconsin, which are competitive and where Oregon may be able to provide support. We'll have to see how it goes. As I tell everyone, this is the most important election ever in my lifetime and I am "ALL IN".

Carl Fisher

CD 1 – Male – Tigard, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Young Democrat

Donor: Grassroots Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I am running to represent the Democrats of the 1st Congressional District. We had an amazing field of candidates run for President this year. Many of us supported multiple candidates and now voters have brought us to Joe Biden. I applaud all the candidates and volunteers that have given of their time this year. It was amazing to meet so many of them in Iowa and hear about their journeys to each candidate. I saw first hand how Vice President Biden connected with everyday Americans. It's that empathy and connection that is going to serve him well as President. We need Joe Biden now more than ever. We need someone that will use the position of president not to serve himself and his family, but our country and lift people up in this time of crisis brought on by COVID-19. I will be a seasoned voice for our district and Oregon at the convention. I will be a strong advocate for Joe this fall. Proud to be supported by Les AuCoin, Jeanne Atkins, Margaret Doherty, Paul Evans, Barry Greenberg, Lupita Maurer, Bridget Brooks, Sheri Schouten, Dick Schouten, Claire Hall, James Freed, Mac Prichard, Mike Radway, and many more.

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 long served my local Democratic Party as a PCP, House District Leader, and volunteered on numerous campaigns. From founding a College Democrats chapter to serving as Field Director of my local party the one thing that has fueled my activism is putting politics back in people's lives. We've become so disconnected from politics and it shows in policy outcomes and elections. Whatever the reason for the disconnect, we've got to be the ones that reconnect them to progressive politics. We need every Democrat reading this guide to become a Neighborhood Leader in November. Put politics back in someone's life in your neighborhood this fall. Be a local leader with me. Sign up here: https://secure.ngpvan.com/MLFVmR_sOUyyJhhR3frqOA2

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://sites.google.com/view/oregonbidendelegates/carl-fisher>

Austin Folnagy

CD 4 – Male – Vida, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: People with Disabilities,
Rural Democrat, Young Democrat

PLEO: School Board Director, Southern
Oregon Education Service District



Statement of Candidacy:

I am running to represent you, Oregonians who are wanting to take back their countries future. This is our future not Trump's future. I am a union member and have worked with environmental leaders to support the Green New Deal at a national and state level. We all need to strive for unity and productive change by practicing inclusion of all people and their voices. I have a proven record of providing a voice to our collective voices for progressive change. As a Leader: Former Treasurer for Citizen Activist for Political Education (CAPE), SEIU Sub-Local 471 President, Former Chairman of SEIU Member Organizing Committee, 2016 Oregon Elector, Former Klamath Community College Trustee and Southern Oregon Education Service District. I can represent our diverse voters voices on a variety of issues at the DNC. I ask for your vote in this election, to become a National Delegate. Thank 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?

I will work to elect Democrats by doing outreach to not only diverse communities. But to rural communities that are strong Trump territory. I refuse to let organizations like Timber Unity (backed by the Trump campaign) to win rural communities, shut down our state government, and cause grid lock. The only way to stop them is to not give up in the political dialogue in rural communities and in the far corners of Oregon. And I look forward to door knocking, even the houses with a Trump sign.

Julie Fugate

CD 1 – Female – Sherwood, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

In high school I worked to elect Leon Panetta to his first term in congress. It taught me the inner workings of a campaign. Although things have changed over the years, fundamentally it's still a contact sport - talking to people, face to face, voice to voice. I've helped as a volunteer over the years - now I'd like to take it to the next level. This is the most important election in my lifetime - we must not lose!

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'm willing to do whatever the party needs to get democrats into office. Calls, notes, face to face, voice to voice, whatever it takes!

Jeff Furnish

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

Public Service: Jeff volunteered for the Citizen’s Review Committee for the Portland Police & Fire Disability & Retirement Plan, and was appointed chair by the Portland City Council. The Committee held monthly public meetings throughout 2005, producing a report recommending significant plan changes. Jeff then worked with the City during 2006 to craft a ballot measure to amend the City Charter. The ballot measure passed with 82% of the vote, the highest positive vote for a “tax” measure in Oregon history. Jeff worked in a temporary (paid) position for the State of Oregon in 2015 and 2016 to assist the State in its implementation of the Affordable Care Act (“Obamacare”). **Education:** Jeff is a native-born Oregonian and graduate of Portland’s Franklin High School, Claremont McKenna College (California), and George Washington National Law Center (Washington, D.C.) ... and life-long Democrat. **Professional Background:** Jeff’s career has been as a consulting actuary, primarily in Portland, working primarily with large self-insured employee health and pension plans. Jeff is a Fellow of the Conference of Consulting Actuaries (and past US president); a Member of the American Academy of Actuaries (and past Board member); and an (inactive) member of the Virginia and D.C. bars.

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 health actuary, I have been closely analyzing the COVID-19 outbreak and the federal and state responses. The ongoing incoherent and incompetent federal response to the pandemic will likely be the major campaign issue for 2020, at all levels. Check out this 2007 (Bush administration) Federal Reserve Study showing that it’s not a choice between the economy and public health; the best public health responses lead to the best economic results: https://www.stlouisfed.org/~media/files/pdfs/community-development/research-reports/pandemic_flu_report.pdf. Please watch my campaign video for more information about the reach of COVID-19, and anticipate a second COVID-19 wave in battlegrounds Georgia and Texas.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g21sotGKJHU&feature=youtu.be>

Emily Gilliland

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

My name is Emily Gilliland and I want to tell the story of this historic Democratic National Convention and share Oregon’s expertise and experience. We are in unprecedented times. Our individual and community health are in danger and our democracy is under attack. Oregon’s creativity and resilience have brought innovations to democracy like vote by mail and STAR voting. Expertise and ideas need to be shared in communities across this state, country, and tribal nations to ensure democracy doesn’t die in our distancing. I bring to the delegation a career in the nonprofit sector. From leading efforts like Oregon Campus Compact and Camp Fire Columbia — I bring people together and strengthen community through an equity lens. I have organized tens of thousands through volunteering and community service. My public service includes serving as a past Chair of the Oregon Commission for Voluntary Action and Service and on the national New Politics National Service Council. Recently, as a volunteer, I have helped launch a new daily, local news podcast at XRAY FM in Portland called The Local. I am a storyteller and ours is a story to tell.

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 look forward to helping candidates get nominated up and down the ticket in Oregon! I love to share stories through photography and writing. It’s been my passion for my entire life. For the Oregon Primary, I have created pro-democracy media including over 65 candidate interviews for distribution through radio, podcasts, and social media. I am also part of a volunteer team launching a new progressive AM radio station in Washington County, KUIK. I will offer my skills with interviewing and creating media to help candidates reach voters in a compelling, winning way.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://bit.ly/EmilyG2020>

Kamron Graham

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American



Statement of Candidacy:

I would be honored to represent Oregon Democrats as a delegate at the National Convention. As a lawyer and leader in the LGBTQ community I feel I have a duty to be active in the Democratic community. I have experience working in group settings, political groups and with people whose views are different than my own.

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 experienced at fundraising, calling donors, hosting candidate events (in real life and via virtual platforms). If possible at the time, experienced knocking on doors and promoting candidates.

Carol Greenough

CD 1 – Female – Tualatin, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

I wish to be a delegate to represent all the people I have known who won't ask for this chance to raise their voices: my African-American grandsons who showed me about the eternal vigilance required to stay safe as a black man in America, my disabled brother who took a year to get Medicaid, my daughter and her wife who feared they couldn't marry under Trump. As a clinical/community psychologist working in schools, mental health centers and vocational rehabilitation in rural areas I have seen the devastation of losing a good mill job or experiencing domestic violence. As a former commercial fisher I know the mix of identity and self esteem that is threatened when an industry is cut back. As a business person, I know the challenge of making ends meet and the need for rational regulations. I currently serve on the Washington County Behavioral Health Council and helped write the Student Success Grant for TTSD. I want a chance to speak for the voices of the multitude of people that echo through my life. I am a progressive because that is the only way that all people can thrive. We have so far to go.

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

Since organizing the first WashCoDems PCP training in 2004 and training over 100 PCP's in the first year, I have stayed involved in the Democratic party to elect candidates at all levels. I am currently a Neighborhood Leader, PCP and HD37 District leader. In 2013 I co-founded East Washington County Democrats. We meet monthly and bring community and policy makers together to talk about policy, share community and encourage activism and voting at all levels of government. As chair of this organization and as House District leader, I helped turn two seats from red to blue in 2018, electing Rachel Prusak and Courtney Neron. I will continue to do this work and to hold those we elect accountable as they represent us in office.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

EWCDems.org

Diane L. Grover

CD 5 – Female – Lake Oswego, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: People with Disabilities



Statement of Candidacy:

I am supporting Vice President Joe Biden for President. I have dreamed of attending the National Democratic Convention as a National Delegate since I was a young girl. I have volunteered on local, state and national campaigns since 1972 when I served as a University Co-Chair for the McGovern Campaign. I have worked as a Presidential Election Monitor and traveled to Florida to work as a Legal Observer for the 2016 Presidential Election where I witnessed democracy in action. For the past several years, I have served as a Precinct Committeeperson (PCP) and Neighborhood Leader in Clackamas County and am currently an elected CD5 Delegate. I am also a proud Emerge Oregon Alumna and a member of the City of Lake Oswego Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Task Force. As an immigration attorney for almost 20 years, I have seen first hand what a difference our President can make in people's everyday lives. I want to be an advocate for these most vulnerable people so that their stories are not forgotten in the Democratic Party Platform negotiations and that immigration reform is at the forefront of our Platform. Immigrant voices deserve to be heard!!

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 PCP and Neighborhood Leader, I will be going door-to-door and phone banking to GOTV. My Convention experiences can be best utilized by giving presentations to various community groups, including immigrant organizations to discuss the importance of voter registration especially for new citizens. I will speak about how VP Joe Biden is the right person at the right time in our Nation's history. He will bring his wealth of experience and his unique ability to empathize with people. VP Biden will need fellow Democrats at the federal, state and local level to ensure that his policies become reality. That is why it is important to not only vote but vote Democratic in every race because what party you vote for does make a difference!

Kelly Haider

CD 5 – Female – Keizer, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden
Donor: Capitol Circle



Statement of Candidacy:

I am excited to have the opportunity to represent Oregon Democrats at the Democratic National Convention. I have spent most of my life in the Salem area. After graduating from South Salem High as a young mother, I went on to earn a Bachelor's Degree and a Master's Degree, and attended local schools including Chemeketa Community College and Corban University. I work in the mental health field and am passionate about issues that impact my community. I have made a career of helping vulnerable populations in my community ensure they are safe and have their needs met. I offer a unique perspective as a woman who has overcome significant adversity in my personal life to achieve my goals. I am a current resident of Keizer, where I live with my husband and our two dogs. Together we have 7 Children, their partners, and 5 beautiful grandchildren in our big blended family. I ask for your support because I believe that now, more than ever, we must take back the White House by electing Joe Biden. I am a strong supporter of LGBTQ+, Minority, and Women's Rights, as well as other issues that have been adversely impacted by the current administration.

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

For many years I have been an active volunteer with the Democratic Party of Oregon serving as a photographer donating my time for party events and candidate events, as well as supporting and participating in a variety of party and candidate events, conventions, and fundraisers as both a participant and a volunteer. When I return from the Democratic National Convention, I will be actively involved in my community raising awareness and encouraging people to vote for Democrats. I will make phone calls, send texts and display yard signs. When we safely can knock on doors, I will canvas in person to support the party and Elect Joe Biden and other down ticket candidates, especially Democrats running to flip challenging districts like mine, where I hope we help State Representative Bill Post retire this year.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1HeYlsSQcEgq00U9iuvGWpXSzdVVtGfDd>

Jack Hanna

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

Having attended national conventions in the past, I have a familiarity with the process and its operations that I believe will assist the delegation in contributing to its impact and effectiveness. Also, my service as an interim State Party Chair 2 years ago gives me an additional perspective of State Parties and their function and operation within the DNC. Also, for almost 2 years, I have been actively involved with the Muslim, Arab and API communities in Washington and Multnomah Counties organizing numerous meetings promoting census participation and assisting them in protecting and promoting their respective political and social interests. I also serve as a Board member for “Building Bridges” a program promoting community involvement with federal and tri-county law enforcement officials advocating responsible and fair criminal justice enforcement. Also, I’m a member of AG Rosenblum’s Bias Crime and Incident Steering Committee” which is implementing the new Statute’s increased protects from such acts. Also, I am endorsed by the “New Deal Democrats” of Multnomah County. And finally, I’ve served as a PCP and also an SCC member including its Budget Committee. Lastly, I subscribe and read every day the NYT, WP, Oregonian, and numerous other political publications increasing my political expertise and understanding current issues.

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 intention is to assist the State and local Party in developing a specific GOTV program for ethnic communities in order to increase and expand their participation in the electoral process and urge them to support Democrats this November and thereafter as it much more serves their communities’ interests. Personally knowing leaders from the API community, APANO, and those of Somalian, Sudanese, African, and Arab heritage, I hope to expand the Party’s reach and broaden its reach by advocating the Party’s positions that better serve their economic, social, and public safety interests. As an Arab American that has been politically active in the Party for 30 years, I believe I have the ability and skills to promote expanding communities of color’s representation and involvement within it.

Rick Hartwig

CD 5 – Male – Salem, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: People with Disabilities



Statement of Candidacy:

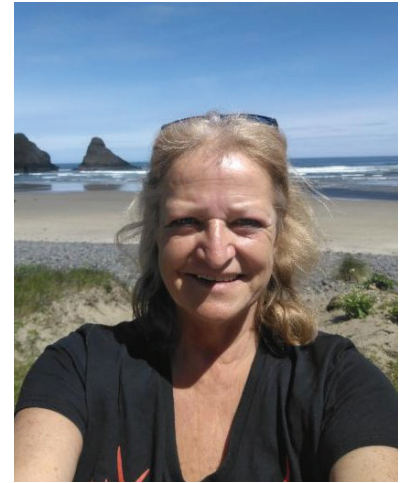
BACKGROUND IN THE PARTY: Chair, Marion County Democrats, 2009-2016; Chair, Local Events and State Fair Committee, 2012-2018; Chair, County Allocation of State checkoff funds, 2010-2016; Delegate to 2012 Democratic Convention; Delegate and Hillary Whip to 2016 Democratic Convention. I am a retired middle school teacher of 35 years with strong ties to labor. I have been a strong supporter of Joe for many years, long before the South Carolina primary. I have donated to his campaign, and, before the coronavirus, canvassed my neighborhood for him. He will win the labor vote that we lost in the last election and the crucial states we need to oust the renegade occupier of the oval office. Hopefully, we will be able to have the convention in Milwaukee. I am a supporter of getting new and younger people involved in the delegation. As a person who has been to two conventions and a whip at the last one, our delegation needs someone to guide them. It is my hope that you would vote for me to do just 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?

All politics are local. I will continue my role as a neighborhood leader and help all candidates up and down the ticket. I will use my experience to aid all candidates.

Caryle Hearte

CD 4 – Female – Springfield, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

I believe that more “regular” people should be a part of our governing process. This is why I am attempting to become a delegate. Please, just vote! I am a pro-cannabis candidate. I am an ovarian cancer survivor of 18 years. I am a believer of this plant.

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 be happy to utilize whatever method that is available to us for promoting the get out to vote. I will be happy to use social media, phone banking and if available, good old fashioned door knocking.

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.

Isaac Houchen-Haun

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I am not the typical Biden supporter. While many of my fellow students at the University of Oregon decided on their favorite candidate early on, I remained relatively undecided through most of the primary. I looked at each of the major candidates. When I decided on Biden, it was because of his policies, his character, and the confidence he enjoys from many leaders within the Democratic Party. Biden proposes detailed, progressive, broadly appealing policies with a clear plan to implement them. Biden has shown his ability to speak up for what is right and to work alongside others. And Biden has the support of leaders from across the Democratic Party, and can lead a diverse coalition. As a College student, many of my peers are less enthusiastic about Biden as the nominee. I often find myself the lone Biden supporter, but I am happy to advocate for him. At the Convention, I will continue to advocate for Biden in a respectful manner. I can recognize and address the valid concerns others may have about Biden, and help unite the party to defeat Trump, maintain and expand control of the House, hopefully win back the Senate.

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 continue to encourage turnout and engagement among young voters such as myself. Many young Democrats are less than enthusiastic, and their engagement in the election is something I will strengthen. This includes not only voting in and supporting campaigns in Oregon, including the Secretary of State race, but also providing support to candidates in other states.

Cari Howat

CD 4 – Female – Albany, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American



Statement of Candidacy:

My life has been one of compassion and trying to make the world a better place despite recent years often making me wonder if it was just a lesson in futility. We've made it to most important presidential election of our lifetimes, and it's time for us to come together in a united front to rid ourselves of the danger currently inhabiting the White House. As a mom of 2, I can't sit back and watch the outright hatred and lack of leadership to continue. I vow to do everything in my power to get Joe Biden elected to be our next President, and would be honored if chosen to take on that immense responsibility.

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 consistently volunteer my time to campaigns at both a national and a local level, take part in fundraising efforts, and spread the word about candidates and elections to try to help others to become informed voters.

Chris Hoy

CD 5 – Male – Salem, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden
PLEO: City Councilor, Salem



Statement of Candidacy:

We each have a responsibility to ensure that our government reflects and honors the diversity of people, beliefs and values which we all hold dear. I ran for Salem City Council in 2017 at a very difficult time in our history. Apathy and divisiveness had allowed the most despicable result in a presidential election in our history and the incumbent behaviors that resulted found their way into a member of the city council. That person resigned and I was elected in a special election. That election allowed us to change the direction of the city to also better reflect the diversity of people, beliefs and values of our city. I was re-elected in 2018 to continue that work and this month we reinforced our direction by electing several more progressive council members. They were victorious over conservative candidates who outspent them many times over. We have turned our city around and now we all need to work to ensure that we turn our country around. I am committed to that work.

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 volunteered on 3 city councilor elections in the May primary. In November and beyond, I will knock doors (if allowed), make calls and raise money for county commissioner, legislative candidates, statewide candidates and Vice President Biden as I have done in many elections over the years.

Kip Ioane

CD 5 – Male – Salem, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Asian American/Pacific
Islander



Statement of Candidacy:

For too long, the average citizen in our country and our state has allowed the political process to happen without our full participation. As someone passionate about taking back the future of our country from the #MAGA movement, I look forward to stepping into the arena at the convention and living our democracy in person!

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 promise to leave no stone unturned when returning and trying to energize the youth of our party with the energy a convention charges its attendees with. As a college basketball coach, I'm a recruiter and I hope to activate the skills I've honed over 10 years of interacting with 18-21 year olds about sports in the political arena.

Annabelle Jaramillo

CD 4 – Female – Philomath, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Hispanic/Latinx American

**PLEO: County Commissioner, Benton
County**

Donor: President’s Council



Statement of Candidacy:

Elect Annabelle Jaramillo as a Biden Delegate to the Democratic National Convention. “I believe in Joe and am confident that he can return us to civility and fairness for all. Joe can win this election and defeat the buffoon pretending to be a president. It is time for civility in our political discourse! My political activism began as a child. We traveled to my parents polling place (60 miles) on Election Day (a holiday in Colorado). I strongly believe in my Party and have been faithful to its mission. I have nearly 20 years as a Democratic County Commissioner; 45 years as a Precinct person; County Party Leader; State Party Leader; Delegate to state & national conventions; Volunteer on several campaigns; Oregon Political Director for Clinton/Gore 1996. We must continue to engage and support each other and our party. In November, let’s go kick some **! A fellow delegate to my first convention and a very special elderly lady at 79 years was the “life” of our delegation. At 80 I can be the “life of our delegation”! Our democracy needs our help! I will appreciate your support. Please Elect Annabelle Jaramillo for Biden!

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 on campaigns and vote for Democrats up and down the ticket in November. I have never shied from volunteering and contributing to campaigns. And most importantly, I WILL VOTE!!

David Jarvis

CD 1 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: People with Disabilities



Statement of Candidacy:

I am a lifelong Portland resident with public service in their blood. This passion comes from my own disability (night blindness (in low light conditions I see very little but otherwise my vision is normal with glasses) and some fine motor issues) as it imbued in me a sense of responsibility to serve those in my community that were not as lucky as I. I have a doctoral degree from Portland State in Public Affairs and Policy with a focus on government accountability and have been working for the past five plus years at the Higher Education Coordinating Commission administering the Community College and University funding formulas. I have a long track record of supporting democrats up and down the ballot, from working with the Oregon Bus Project to chairing the Campus Democrats at Grinnell College and as a PCP for several years. In addition, I worked for State Rep. Mary Nolan during the 2005 session. I would be honored to represent CD 1 at this year's convention as we end the Trump era.

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 would work to elect Shemia Fagan as Oregon's next Secretary of State and then look to support get out the vote and voter outreach efforts for state legislature and other local races. In this redistricting cycle, we need more than ever to strengthen our control of Oregon's government both to help us rebound from this pandemic and to allow us to build our national power and local successes.

Zach Klonoski

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

Hello my fellow Oregon Democrat! My name is Zach Klonoski and I am asking for your support to be an at-large delegate for former Vice President Joe Biden at the Democratic National Convention. I was born and raised in Oregon and have dedicated my career to progressive politics. I love being an Oregonian and I love being a Democrat. The three values and principles I promise to bring to the DNC: 1) Unity above all else. This election is far too important to focus on anything but defeating Trump; 2) Access to the ballot box. This election will be unprecedented due to the threat posed by COVID-19 and Republicans will do all they can to make it more difficult to vote (on top of their usual voter suppression efforts against people of color and low-income/disadvantaged communities. Democrats must fight with everything we have to make sure that all Americans eligible to vote can exercise that right safely without undue burden; and 3) Get big money out of politics. We will never be able to solve the myriad crises we face unless we remove the dirty influence of large campaign contributors.

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've been working and volunteering on campaigns in Oregon since 2008. I've learned first-hand that the way Democrats win is by outworking our opponents and dedicating ourselves to the art of FIELD. I also spent the last three years working on climate policy and watched our signature climate bill fail time and time again as Republican legislators literally left the state and undermined the democratic process to prevent a vote on that bill. I plan to work to unseat all the Republican legislators in swing districts who chose to turn their backs on Oregon and democracy itself when they walked off the job to protect the profits of big polluters. Elections matter (it seems like more and more as time goes on) and I plan to dedicate as much time and energy as possible to electing Democrats up and down the ticket so, hopefully, Democrats have a "quorum proof" super majority.

Eric Koszyk

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Veterans or Active Service Members



Statement of Candidacy:

While every election is deemed important, this year it's not hyperbole to suggest that America is at a crossroads. Will we continue to be a democracy or will we descend into oligarchy, led by one of the most corrupt presidents in history, whose previous claim to fame was that of a reality show host? Not only am I eager to be rid of Trump, I am enthusiastic for what a Biden administration can mean for the future of the United States. Biden is a master of getting important legislation through Congress, including his role in getting the Affordable Care Act made into law. He is also a champion for a policy that I care dearly about — the expansion and upgrade of passenger rail, including high-speed rail. For decades, he was the strongest advocate for passenger rail in Congress. For many years I have volunteered for Democratic candidates and progressive causes, starting with the 1992 election. I have volunteered for numerous progressive causes, sometimes before they were popular, such as marriage equality back in 2000. If given the honor to serve you as a delegate to the national convention, I will strive towards a progressive platform that best meets our values.

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 order to ensure that Democrats win a great victory this November, I will continue to volunteer by phone banking and, if conditions allow it, canvassing. I take great pleasure in canvassing, as it gives me a chance to discuss candidates and their policy proposals directly with voters. I will mostly focus my efforts on calling into swing states for Biden and for several of our Senate candidates. Locally, I will volunteer for our Secretary of State candidate as well as state legislative candidates in swing districts. If it is prudent come November, I hope to travel to a swing state and do Get Out The Vote (GOTV) on the ground for the final days of the campaign, most likely in Arizona.

Quintin Kreth

CD 4 – Male – Junction City, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat, Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I am a PhD student studying science and technology policy at Georgia Tech. However, like many Americans, I have had to move back to my family home to help care for them during the Coronavirus crisis. I have seen first-hand the damage the GOP has done in Georgia with their anti-science, anti-facts agenda. They truly do not care about the lives of everyday Americans and refuse to take COVID seriously, even as people are dying. The state is hopelessly jerrymandered and they will try any tactic to suppress the vote and cheat. I know what we have to lose in this election and am excited to do my part to help elect Joe Biden. As a former chair of the DPO Rural Caucus and 2012 Obama Delegate, my goal is to show that young people support Joe Biden and see that he is the leader we need in Washington. We need get a great Democrat in the white house to continue Barack Obama's legacy and create public policy based on science and facts. Please send me to Milwaukee so I can help show that young and rural Americans support Joe Biden and are energized by his candidacy!

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 excited and energized to help elect Joe Biden. We need a candidate that can unite the Democratic Party and make gains in every corner of the country as we defeat Donald Trump. I want to help train young people in campaign work and help develop strategies to reach voters in the era of social distancing. I will continue to advocate for supporting down-ballot races and races in rural Oregon. With redistricting approaching, we need to win every legislative seat and must win the Secretary of State's office in 2020 to prevent Republican jerrymandering. Additionally, with national Republicans targeting Peter DeFazio, we need to work harder than ever in Southern and SE Oregon. I am committed to helping us win in rural Oregon.

Collin Ledford

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I'm running as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention to gain firsthand knowledge of the organization of the national party and combine it with my knowledge of Political Science from being a current PSU Political Science student. I would be honored to serve as a delegate for Oregon, especially in the year I'm first able to vote for President. I may not be a professional, but I'm passionate for this party.

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

If I travel to Milwaukee or if the convention is held remotely, I hope to take the things I learn from watching the process to get Democrats elected all across the state. I plan to take this knowledge and reach out to Oregonians from all across the state with the message of the Democratic Party.

Jan Lee

CD 3 – Female – Sandy, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat

PLEO: City Councilor, Sandy



Statement of Candidacy:

I'm a rural Democrat from Sandy and the Clackamas County Democrats' First Vice Chair, a delegate to the State Central Committee, a Neighborhood Leader and a PCP. We must take back the Presidency this election, and the Senate and the House! We cannot afford to continue to see programs Barack Obama fought for continue to deteriorate. I strongly support access to health care for all and equality and equity for each and every one of us. We also need to be in leadership to seat progressive candidates for the Supreme Court. In my personal life I work for the association for the 45 statewide conservation district local governments, serving on the board of the countywide Clackamas Conservation District. I support Joe Biden to assure conservation is key to reducing greenhouse gases, implementing renewable energy and protecting Oregon's strong environmental values. I'm a city councilor in Sandy and serve on the county and school board budget committees. I have learned from these roles how important leadership and teamwork are to implement effective programs. I would really appreciate your vote--I have never attended a national convention and going this time to help make our country whole again would mean a lot!

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 continue my active Neighborhood Leader work in getting out the vote, up and down the ticket, through letters and phone calls if we are still unable to meet people in person. I will continue working with our candidates locally, statewide and nationally. As an officer and member of the Clackamas Democrats, I will continue to work on programs for us to support campaigns. I also will continue local work to organize campaign events to help our candidates reach financial goals and meet voters. I will continue to be an active member of the Oregon Trail Democrats, a PAC here in Sandy actively supporting candidates and continue to use my personal resources to support candidates.

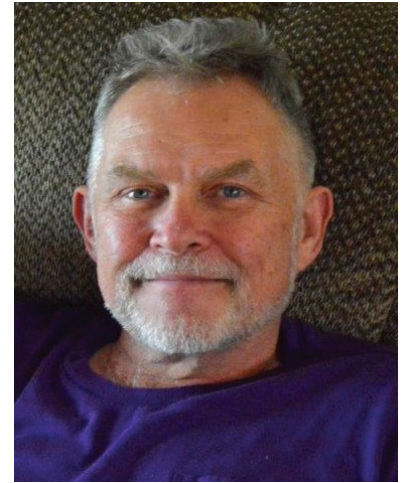
Larry Ludeking

CD 1 – Male – Tigard, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, Veterans
or Active Service Members

Donor: President's Council



Statement of Candidacy:

I am a lifelong Democrat. Moved to Oregon in late 2015. Have joined the Washington County Dems as an elected PCP, and participated in the NLP. In addition, I have been participating in a variety of fund raising activities with in the local democratic community. I am a retired physicist and believe that policy should be based on empirical, verifiable evidence. Progressive ideals are core to my own beliefs and actions. Education and critical thinking are some of the most important elements of what we should teach and reward. Taking responsibility for out for own actions and retaining integrity in public and private life are critical in building the kind of world I want our children to inherit. I have been active in WashCoDems as a member of the Training Committee. The goal being to give democrats more tools and opportunities to to support a healthy 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?

Key elements will be in fundraising for our democratic candidates, participation in the NLP program here in Oregon. We need to encourage everyone to vote. And as a Democrat, I will work to educate our voters in the principles of democracy. A healthy Democracy is not a spectator sport, but a vibrant engagement in the creation of a better public community.

John MacDonald

CD 1 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Veterans or Active Service Members

PLEO: Vice Chair, Veteran's Caucus



Statement of Candidacy:

I am proud to support Joe Biden. I believe that he stands with me, supporting the hearing of all voices in the party, but with the expectation that we must come together internally, so that we are united in electing a Democrat in 2020.

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 willing to walk the neighborhood and make calls to encourage Democrats to vote.

Nancy MacMorris-Adix

CD 5 – Female – Salem, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Donor: Capitol Circle



Statement of Candidacy:

I have been an active Democrat since I moved to Oregon in 1978. I have walked for state and local candidates, served on my local school board, chaired the Oregon Nurses Association Cabinet on Health Policy, and lobbied alongside Oregon progressives for safe gun laws, paid family leave, and health care for all. I am both an Emerge Oregon and an Oregon Labor Candidate School Alum. After years of local work, the last 3+ years of the Trump presidency have motivated me even more to work to elect Democrats around the country. Given that our Oregon seats in the U.S. Senate are secure, I am making plans to travel to another state to help take the U.S. Senate back from far right wing Republicans. Also, as a nurse-midwife, I take seriously the need to work for a better Oregon and a better America for all the babies I help birth. Though I was initially a Warren supporter, I have transitioned to supporting Joe Biden as Democrats across the country have chosen him as our nominee. I would be proud to represent Oregon and I would be proud to vote for Joe Biden on the floor of the convention. Please give me 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?

My biggest priorities are flipping Senate District 10 to the D's and getting a D elected to the Marion County Commission. I will work for Deb Patterson and Ashley Carson Cottingham. In addition, I might work to elect Democrats to the Senate in states where my work might help us flip the Senate. Statewide ballot measures that protect workers, the environment and the community from gun violence will get my efforts. I retire in 8/31 so I will have the time to commit.

Ian McDonald

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

For more than three decades, I have lived in Oregon as a committed Democrat. I worked in the Portland semiconductor industry and taught at PSU, University of Portland, and Lewis & Clark College. My values strongly align with the state's Democratic party, and I will proudly represent the interests of Oregon Democrats at the convention. I am convinced the Democrats will be a united and overpowering political force this fall. I believed that before the pandemic, and the predictable failure of the Republicans. As Democrats, we believe in effective governance. Careful followers of the primaries know the differences between the major candidates were exaggerated. All of them are committed to economic justice, restoring U.S. credibility to the rest of the world, and building a world class health care system. And I believe they know that Vice President Biden is underestimated as a national political force. For my part, I support Joe Biden with enthusiasm and gratitude for his service. Democrats will be glad and thankful that he is the candidate. I will support all Oregon Democrats on the platform and the organizational work at the convention. Serving as a delegate would be a lifelong honor for me.

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 semi-retired and I can commit a significant amount of time to the campaign. I have a doctorate in political science, and if those analytical skills are in demand, I can furnish them. But I would be delighted to work organizing data, data analysis, contacting potential supporters, helping back office support, tech and IT support.

Emily Mooney

CD 4 – Female – Eugene, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Young Democrat

PLEO: Chair, Young Democrats of Oregon
Caucus



Statement of Candidacy:

When I moved to Eugene to attend the University of Oregon, I found a community in local politics; in phonebanking for Brad Avakian for Secretary of State and knocking doors for then candidate Julie Fahey. I have worked on Democratic campaigns for 4 years, including as a Field Organizer for Jamie McLeod-Skinner in her 2018 Congressional race and helping to flip the Lane County Commission from red to blue. I also serve as Chair of the Young Democrats of Oregon. Under my leadership, we have focused on mobilizing our membership to elect Democrats up and down the ticket and across the state. We made calls to over 5,000 voters this 2020 Primary, helped protect DACA recipients by fundraising for the Defend DACA Coalition and lobbied our Legislators to pass a Clean Energy Jobs bill. My first memory of Joe Biden was when he and President Obama ran in 2007. I was in 4th grade and our class had a mock vote for President. I remember proudly supporting Joe then, and I would be proud to do so again. I would be honored to represent you as a delegate to the National Convention and cast a vote for Joe Biden.

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 committed to electing Democrats up and down the ticket through grassroots organizing and uplifting newcomers to local politics. I pledge my full support to our Democratic nominees, not just for President but also to ensure that Oregon wins back the Secretary of State office, keeps our majorities in the legislature, and re-elects our progressive champions who fight for us in Washington. As Chair of the Young Democrats of Oregon, our team is committed to putting hundreds of volunteer hours into supporting Democrats through phonebanking, canvassing (if safe to do so) and social media outreach. I would be honored to have your support so that we can continue to fight together to win back the White House.

Matt Moore

CD 4 – Male – Eugene, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

My name is Matt Moore, and I would be honored to earn your support as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention. I moved to Eugene when I was very young and have lived here ever since. I've experienced firsthand the problems we face as a community. After college, I knew I wanted to invest in the community that invested in me. When I came back from college to Eugene, I was so disheartened to see the same issues facing our community that had been facing us as long as I've lived here, and I knew I had to step up and be a part of the solution, which inspired me to run for office in 2020. As a lifelong Democrat and a Joe Biden supporter for many years, it would be an honor to vote for someone who will make a fantastic nominee for our party and, after defeating Donald Trump, an even better president. I would be honored to represent Oregon in front of the nation. As a recent college graduate, I am especially proud to represent young people like myself who are looking for the pragmatic progressivism and common-sense solutions that Joe Biden provides.

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 convention, I will dedicate myself to ensuring that Democrats are elected up and down the ballot in November through grassroots organizing and recruiting others to volunteer with us. I will make phone calls and use social media outreach on behalf of campaigns for federal, state, and local elections, and if it is safe to do so, I will canvas for them as well. I will bring others along to join our cause to ensure Oregon Democrats win their elections so that not only does Oregon's statewide government reflect our community's strong progressive values, but our local governments do as well.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

www.mattmoore2020.com

Joan Morgan

CD 3 – Female – Happy Valley, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

As many can relate I found my voice and motivating force in the wake of November, 2016. In that time I've seen my job as a Bone Marrow Transplant Coordinator transform beyond patient care to fighter and advocate. I see the struggles of my patients suffering from lack of adequate health insurance, families and donors separated by travel bans and patients afraid to come to appointments after our office relocated steps from the ICE detention center. I have worked with several organizations on both and state federal levels to advocate for lower prescription prices and I look forward to continuing this work with a new administration.

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

Grassroots organizing is the key to getting Democrats elected. Voter registration drives, door knocking and phone banking are traditional because they work.

Stephanie Newton

CD 4 – Female – Albany, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

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

PLEO: Chair, Disability Justice Caucus / Vice Chair, Linn County Democrats



Statement of Candidacy:

As a young progressive mother and a leader in the Democratic Party here in Oregon, I want to represent folks in rural areas, like Linn County where I serve as Vice Chair, and, as Chair of the Democratic Party of Oregon's Disability Justice Caucus, I want to represent folks in Oregon with disabilities.

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, I will continue to do all that I can to elect Democrats up and down the ticket. This includes fulfilling my leadership roles, and also training others in my community to get out the vote and to educate others on all Democratic candidates. (I hope we can knock on doors! But, we will see!)

Donna Nyberg

CD 1 – Female – Saint Helens, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat

PLEO: Chair, Labor Caucus



Statement of Candidacy:

It has been my honor to serve as Chair of the DPO Labor Caucus, 2012-2020. I have and will always fight for our workers and Oregon Democrats. Previous positions in the Democratic Party: Team Leader for Unity Forum for greater understanding on labor issues; Delegate to the National Convention in Charlotte; Chair, Columbia County Dems; State Central Committee Delegate; State Central Rules Committee; Platform Committee Delegate; 1st Congressional Committee Vice-Chair; Labor Caucus, Convening Secretary Wisconsin's Republican Legislature and their State Supreme court put lives in danger during the primary. IT BACKFIRED. Wisconsin elected a liberal justice. In the pandemic world, front-line and essential workers are at risk. "healthcare, safety and fire, truckers, grocery, sanitation, and maintenance workers," unions have your back. "Wall Street and the CEO's didn't build this country. The middle class did. And the middle class was built by unions. Unions built the middle-class. And working families and unions will be the drivers of our success once again..." JOE BIDEN, April 7, 2020 Some of my supporters--UFCW 555; Jeff Anderson; NW Labor Council; Bob Tackett; John Mohlis, OSBTC, ret.; IBEW48; Joe Esmonde; Carpenters; Michael Burch; Teamsters; Mark MacPherson; Scott Mills, IUPAT, Mary Botkin, ASCAP

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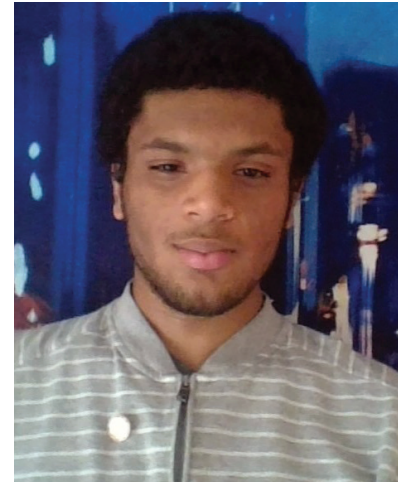
Nationally, this will be a squeaker, a long and hard nightmare campaign. Our goal is a Biden presidency, a Senate majority and the retention of the House and Speaker Pelosi. This will take a monumental effort of will and energy, combined and individual. In Oregon, the future Secretary of State and other offices are highly contested. Count me in! To that end I will: Volunteer and recruit wherever I can make the most impact. Work on phone banks Digitally, make videos and write and promote social media. Fund raise on behalf of the Oregon House and Senate Finance campaigns. Work with the coordinated campaign wherever they send me. Consider this a 50 state solution. In other words, I will sleep when we win!

Osiris Parikh

CD 1 – Male – Beaverton, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: African American/Black,
Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

As a proud resident of Washington County and lifelong citizen of Oregon, I am excited to formally run for delegate to the DNC. As a Young Democrat and African American, I want to serve as a fresh example of the inclusive and diverse voices of Washington County and the state of Oregon. I have had the pleasure and honor of serving Democrats since 2013; tirelessly advocating and working on the campaigns of Greg Malinowski, Bernie Sanders, Joe Biden, and Tom Steyer. I have also served in volunteer roles with the Cedar Mill News and Washington Counties Committee for Community Involvement, bringing fresh perspectives on innovation and marketing. It is my passion and dedication to the advancement of the Democratic party that has instilled in me the pleasure of being on this ballot today. I believe that the democratic party today must stand against foreign attempts to undermine democracy in our country and continue to fight for what we all hold dear: the civil rights and liberties for all. Thank you for 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?

After my time at the convention, I plan to work with the nominee's campaign to assist in GOTV efforts. If stay-at-home restrictions are eased, I also plan on attending more events with the county's party and assisting in social media outreach.

Carina Perez Europa

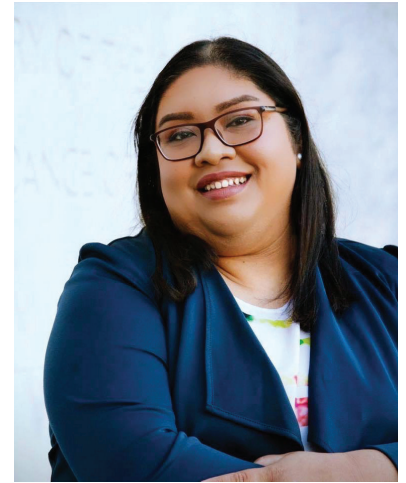
CD 5 – Female – Keizer, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Hispanic/Latinx American,
Young Democrat

PLEO: Secretary, Latino Caucus / Vice Chair,
Marion County Democrats

Donor: Grassroots Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

One of my earliest memories was my parents telling us how lucky we were to live in a country where you could be whatever you wanted if you just worked hard enough and were fair to those around you, they instilled in us the promise of what the US could be. Although I still believe in that promise, the reality is that too many people in our country cannot afford healthcare, families live paycheck to paycheck, and education is failing students. That promise is slipping away from everyday people. From young people worried about paying their student loans, to communities who live in fear because the institutions that should ensure safety and shelter instead are used to victimize and oppress any groups considered other. I'm a Democrat because I want to restore that promise for everyone. As Vice Chair of the Marion County Democrats and a member of the DPO Executive Committee, I have worked to build a party that is representative of what America looks like. I'm running as a delegate to continue the work of moving past our divisions to focus on the things that are important - to be the party that stands up for what is right.

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 Party leader I pledge to help organize in Marion County and statewide to support Democratic candidates and progressive ballot measures through canvasses and phone banks. I also pledge to help do voter outreach in communities throughout the state and to continue to grow our Party through voter registration. I want to help us focus better on reaching out to marginalized communities, because when these communities are welcomed and included history has shown us that our Party and country are stronger. When voting is accessible to everyone Democrats win.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

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Terri Preeg Riggsby

CD 1 – Female – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

Hello voters! I have been a dedicated Democrat since age 18 and it would be a great honor to serve Oregon as an At-Large Delegate to the 2020 Democratic National Convention. I am committed to do my part to get Joe Biden elected and to get the tRump despotic regime OUT OF OFFICE. I am an elected Precinct Committee Person, as well as elected Zone 5 Director and Board Chair on the West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District. I work hard to uphold and promote our party's ideals through this work: I help develop and deliver programs to protect our environment, ensure equitable services to our under-represented and under-served community members, and am proud that as a local employer, our District provides excellent benefits and compensation. For many years I have championed public education, campaign finance reform, and election integrity; I know that while so many of us work tirelessly to uphold our ideals here in Oregon, we absolutely MUST HAVE a national leader that will break the current bonds of racism, sexism, classism, and religious and cultural oppression. I am committed and reliable, and will work hard to get Joe Biden elected.

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 passionate about getting great people elected, from the top to the bottom of the ballot. I have served as an elected Precinct Committee Person for years, knocking on doors in my neighborhood and throughout Oregon. I am an Emerge Oregon alumna, have served as a campaign treasurer on 4 campaigns, and have made more campaign phone calls than I can count! I value our participatory democracy and volunteered with the Bus Project before the Motor Voter bill (which I fully supported!) to register new voters. I genuinely believe that when more people vote, better people are elected — and regardless of whether I participate in this year's Democratic National Convention, I will continue my years' long practice of getting out the vote!

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=10158809916369095&id=651029094

Garet Steel Prior

CD 5 – Male – Wilsonville, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

As your delegate, I'll bring my experience starting and growing a policy-based advocacy non-profit, a decade of work in the legislative world, and high-quality communication skills to the table to strengthen our election mobilization efforts. My work will be conducted in partnership with traditionally marginalized people, as I have been formed childhood experience with racially-based education inequality. Examples of my work with coalition-building include: In 2018, I transitioned the leadership of Richmond Forward, and organization I founded, over to a racially diverse, all-start team of women, who I first met as volunteers. As a volunteer, I successfully headed the Richmond Public Schools Facilities Task Force that included — at times contentious — community members, government staff, and elected officials to adopt an \$800 million, 20-year plan to address the City's greatest civil rights need, failing school facilities. Seven months ago, I met a few neighbors who were interested in forming a group to address equity, diversity, and inclusion. Since then, I have supported (budget, website, notes, agendas, etc.) the formation of an organization, Wilsonville Alliance for Inclusive Community. It has been awesome to see our group grow to represent Wilsonville's gender, race, sexual orientation, age, and religious diversity.

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

Organize, communicate, and engage others to mobilize and grow our base in support for Democrats at every level. Living in a purple district, I can play a crucial role in speaking to swing voters in the southwestern Portland metro area. I'll work to keep key Oregon house districts, like Prusak and Neron, while helping change Thatcher's Senate seat to the warm, welcoming color of blue. DEFEAT TRUMP!

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://www.agaretinwilsonville.com/>

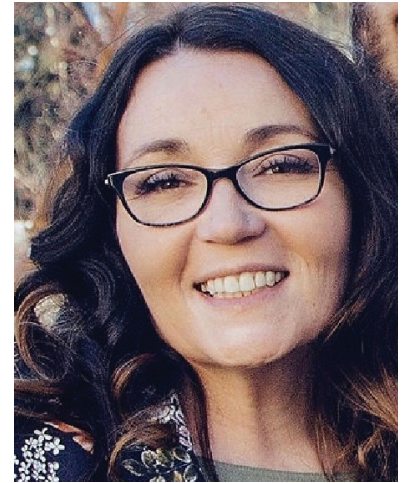
Jennifer Ranstrom-Smith

CD 5 – Female – Independence, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat

PLEO: City Councilor, Independence



Statement of Candidacy:

Jennifer Ranstrom Smith is the Office Manager/Scheduler for House Majority Leader Barbara Smith Warner and the House Democratic Caucus. She has served in this position for five years under some of the most progressive sessions on record.

Jennifer is also a first term City Counselor in her hometown of Independence and practices her values as a rural Democrat. Jennifer states that: “It would be an honor to attend the 2020 DNC as an Oregon Delegate. I am dedicated to helping legislative races and the progressive majority in Oregon. I believe that now is the time for all Democrats - urban and rural alike - to cohesively unite and take back our country”. She further adds “All National Conventions are important indeed but, in my opinion, this particular one is extremely critical. I hope that my abilities and convictions will be beneficial in helping get our country back to its original ideals and progressive values. It will be an honor to have your vote.” Supporters include: Rep. Barbara Smith Warner, House Majority Leader Val Hoyle, Oregon Labor Commissioner Rep. Paul Evans, HD 20 Evan Sorce, Chair, Marion County 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 pledge to work on races up and down the ballot. In current conditions, I will phone and text bank from home. I hope that once COVID19 slows down we can GET OUT THE VOTE! Going door to door engaging voters is the way to winning elections.

Dianne H Rice

**CD 5 – Female – Lake Oswego, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden**

Statement of Candidacy:

I will support Joe Biden, I am a long time registered Democratic for over 20+ years,, I can travel to convention at my own expense to support the party.

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 actively support all candidates, at all levels of the ticket. We need to win at all levels of government, and not let our guard down at any level, my message is please do not focus on Presidential election only. Lower level elections are critical.

Rene Rice

**CD 5 – Male – Lake Oswego, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden**

Statement of Candidacy:

I support Joe Biden, along with my wife Dianne Rice, we will support the local elections also.

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 will work door to door to support Joe Biden, but also state level candidates, and local candidates as needed.

Michelle Elizabeth Risher

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities

PLEO: Vice Chair, Democratic Party of Oregon

Donor: Capitol Circle



Statement of Candidacy:

On January 25, former Vice President Joe Biden tweeted, “Let’s be clear: Transgender equality is the civil rights issue of our time.” I am a 66-year-old disabled, transwoman and the immediate past chair of the Democratic Party of Oregon (DPO) Stonewall Caucus (Caucus). In March of 2019, I became the only openly transgender Democrat to serve or be elected a first, second/senior vice chair of a state, district, or territorial Democratic party; the highest ranking elected openly transgender officer in the Democratic Party writ whole. Now, I am asking for the honor and privilege of being elected a Biden delegate to our national convention from my home congressional district, where I am no stranger to the Multnomah County Democrats (MultDems) and the only DPO officer to regularly attend monthly meetings and “beer caucuses”. I have been responsible of two of the last four MultDems and Caucus Portland Pride festival and parade entries, sharing responsibility for the other two. “There is no room for compromise when it comes to basic human rights,” said Biden, and I fully endorse that sentiment! I am asking to be your champion for those rights to assist him in making it so. (www.voterisher.com)

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

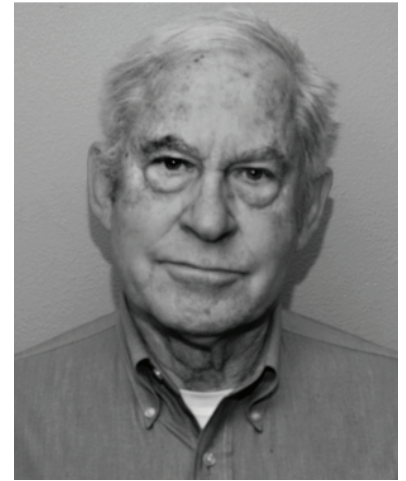
I have already begun a campaign to bring out transgender, non-binary, and intersex voters, along with those who care about transgender lives and equality at state and national levels. And, to that end, have been working with Marisa Richmond (TN), a transwoman of color, who is an appointed Democratic National Committee (DNC) member and its only trans member, to expand transgender representation at the national convention and in the DNC, writ whole. Being trans, I strive to educate all voters on the real and existential threat posed by Republican control of any single elected branch of our government to my community, as well as to the greater LGBTQ+ community and immigrants. I am already hard at work doing exactly that. We must win!

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

www.voterisher.com

Gerritt Rosenthal

CD 1 – Male – Tualatin, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

I want to attend the 2020 Milwaukee Convention for a number of reasons. First, as an active member of the DPO Platform Committee and Chair of the Washington County Democrats Platform Committee I am very intimately familiar with and deeply committed to Oregon's Democratic values and want to make sure they are well represented. I have been active in platform value statements for over eight years. Second, I consider myself a progressive Democrat and although I will enthusiastically support Senator Biden, I want to carry forward the ideals expressed by Senators Warren and Sanders for a better future for America. Finally, as someone who was born in Milwaukee and grew up in the area (both Wauwatosa and Oconomowoc - 25 miles west), this would offer me opportunities to reconnect with Wisconsin Democrats and spend additional time helping them, through canvassing and other efforts, to take back their state. We had a farm in Waukesha County for many years and allowed large signs supporting Democratic candidates. I know the area intimately and would be able to offer other delegates insights on the Milwaukee situation.

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 an already a committed PCP, NL and HDL. I will continue those efforts until the election. In the Primary, in addition to my Washington County NL turf, I adopted two additional turf in the portion of Clackamas County near me. At the same time, I ran for the Metro District #3 position. I will remain highly active in WashCoDems and the DPO.

Moses Ross

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Hispanic/Latinx American

Donor: President's Council



Statement of Candidacy:

Vote Moses Ross for National Delegate for Joe Biden from Oregon's 3rd CD I've been an enthusiastic backer of Joe Biden since his presidential campaign began. As a national delegate, I would bring Joe's optimism and vision back home to Oregon to share with 3rd CD voters to WIN in November! Joe's unwavering support of President Obama during our eight years of hope confirmed for me Joe's competence but it was a personal interaction I had with the Vice President which confirmed Joe's character. In 2014, Biden attended a rally in Portland where he met my then nine year old daughter Emma. Joe shook our hands, looked directly at her and spoke with her, even taking time to take a selfie together. It's a cherished moment in her life and his character and kindness spoke volumes. So, it was an easy decision for me to visit Des Moines, Iowa last September to volunteer for Biden's campaign in preparation for the upcoming Steak Fry event at which I got to meet Joe again (along with six other candidates). It was a brief moment of presidential history which confirmed for me that Joe Biden should and would be our Democratic Party 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?

Joe Biden needs us to be his surrogates in Oregon. A wise politician once said "All politics is local" and it holds true. As a National Delegate, I will use the credibility of the position to share Joe's positive and productive vision for our country with 3rd CD voters while working with and within the county and state Democratic Party to get local Democrats elected on Joe's coattails. As a precinct person in HD3803, I'll continue reaching out to neighbors as a resource for accurate election information. As a State Central Committee member, I will work with party leadership to implement a smart statewide GOTV strategy. As part of the "Joe for Oregon" statewide leadership, I'll help organize and empower statewide Biden supporters and volunteers.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://sites.google.com/view/oregonbidendelegates/home>

Brett Rowlett

CD 4 – Male – Eugene, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

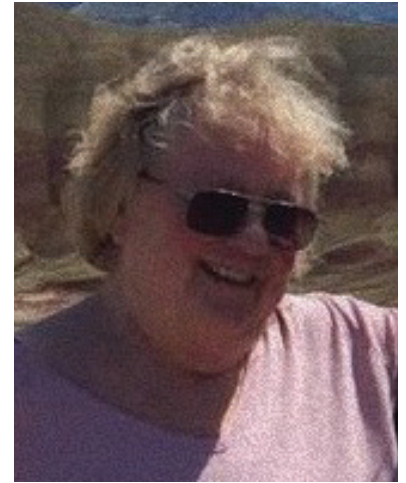
Thank you for your consideration. It would be an honor to serve as a delegate at this year's Democratic National Convention. I'm a Wisconsin native with strong progressive values. While attending the University of Minnesota in the late-1990's, I got to learn from one of the best, the late Paul Wellstone. In 2000, I moved to Oregon to attend the UO. While in school, I served as lead organizer on a campaign to establish Eugene's Rental Housing Program. I've been a life-long advocate for education issues and currently serve as Director of Public Affairs for Lane Community College. Before joining Lane, I served as legislative director for a statewide non-profit organization and education policy analyst for the State of Oregon. I'm a former local union president, have served as PCP in Lane County since 2005 and remain active on numerous non-profit boards and organizations. My incredible wife, Tonya, is a hospice nurse, and we have two daughters, Lunda and Jade. I enjoy traveling, kayaking, music, reading, and helping Democrats win elections. This is the most important election of our lifetimes, and I look forward to working with you to ensure victory this 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?

This November will be a battle of turnout. I'm committed to doing everything possible to drive turnout to support Democrats on the ballot in Oregon and nationwide. As a board member for the Oregon Student Foundation, I am working to support voter engagement efforts at colleges and universities throughout the state. As a PCP, I'm looking forward to once again canvassing local neighborhoods. Adding to the Democratic majority in Salem is crucial. In addition to support for local and state candidates, I plan to commit significant time to campaigns in swing states, including my home state of Wisconsin. Are ya fired up? Ready to go? Let's do this!

Faith E Ruffing

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

I have been a Democrat since the 60's and an alternate Delegate for Eugene McCarthy to the 1972 Convention in Miami Beach, Florida as part of the Chicago Challenge Delegation. After moving to Portland in 1973 I worked to elect Democrats at the City level and was instrumental in electing Commissioner Margaret Strachan and Mayor Bud Clark. After several years of inactivity, except for voting, I became PCP in Multnomah County in 2013 and was appointed Chair of the Platform, Resolution and Legislative Committee. I increased the membership of the PRLC from 6 or 7 people meeting once a year, to over 100 people meeting monthly in Committee or in Article Study Group discussions. These discussions led to the drafting of the Multnomah County Democratic Platform in 2016, 2018 and 2020 considered to be the most Democratic Platform in the Country. It was drafted by Democrats, Democratic Socialists, Liberals, Workers, Green Party.... people supporting Elizabeth, Amy, Kamala, Cory, Yang, Pete, Bernie, Joe... The Platform is a compilation of their assessment of the problems facing the Country and legislative solutions to make it better. I want to go to the Convention to discuss how to use Platforms to bring us together.

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 PRLC I will direct my efforts to use the 2020 Multnomah County Democratic Party Platform as a basis to bring the Joe, Amy, Kamala, Cory, Yang, Elizabeth, and Bernie supporters together to identify all that we agree on to unite to defeat Trump and the Republicans in November. I will work closely with the Biden Campaign Office and the other Multnomah County Democrat Committees and members to coordinate efforts to support the election of Joe Biden, Jeff Merkley, Earl Blumenauer, Tina Kotek and all Democrats running this year.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://multdems.org/resources/platform-of-the-party/>

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>

Marcia Schneider

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

I've been campaigning for Democrats for years, but this is the first time I've run to be a delegate. School Nurses are way way too busy in August to go out for a beer, let alone a national convention! This year I am retiring, Yay! And I couldn't be more passionate about our mission to restore democracy and renew our country. We'll need to actively protect our election; registering voters and helping them vote safely from home despite all the expected suppression. We'll need to win the Presidency and the Senate. And then when we've won, we'll have to keep the pressure on. We'll need to rebuild a government that works for all of us; with a Green New Deal, healthcare every American can depend on, quality public education preK through college and career, restoring our responsible position in the world and all the other ways we care for each other and our planet. I started this election cycle with Elizabeth Warren, and I still believe we need to Dream Big, Fight Hard and Persist. And like Sen Warren, I'm enthusiastically All In for Joe Biden. Hope you'll join me.

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've already started! I'm hosting a Biden grassroots organizer zoom training this weekend. And will be doing virtual organizing and voter outreach calls, texts, postcards. If possible, will also travel to battleground state. I plan to be very involved in the must win OR SOS campaign, my own house district for Janelle Bynum and serving on with Multnomah Dems campaign committee on GOTV slate cards and neighborhood leaders in whatever formats we are able to do.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PTlYQG9xcuALuWT7MUiLHkjssoRDwC1L5TajGzOzn6g/edit?usp=sharing>

Michael Scott

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American



Statement of Candidacy:

I am Michael Scott and I very much look forward to representing Oregon Democrats who support Joe Biden as the next President of the United States of America! I am a retired elementary school teacher, and a member of Portland Association of Teachers, Oregon Education Association, and National Education Association. I have represented teachers as a delegate to OEA Representative Assemblies and NEA Representative Assemblies and I have also served as vice president and president of the American Falls Education Association. I wish to represent Oregonians who believe we need to place more emphasis on quality education and healthcare. I believe we must elect Joe Biden for this to happen. I would sincerely 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?

After the Democratic National Convention, I plan to actively campaign not only for our presidential candidate but also for other Democrats on the ticket.

Tyler Shockley

CD 5 – Male – Dallas, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat, Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

Rural Oregon needs the Democratic Party. I grew up in rural eastern Washington and now live in rural Oregon, so I understand the values, the roots, that go deep: autonomy and patriotism. These are both my values and the values of the Democratic Party. As a Democrat I value autonomy and independence but realize that for many groups the barriers are still too high to achieve self-determination. It's only through breaking down these barriers that we can allow all to experience such freedom. As a Democrat's I love this country but am not willing to settle for what has been and instead I'm actively working to make it better. This country was not founded on freedom alone but on uniting in community with those around us. It's built into the fabric of this country to link arms with neighbors and tighten the common bonds that bind us so that no fellow American is left to wander this life alone. Our roots are the same. It's how we grow and live that sets makes us distinct. I live to move humanity forward. I'd appreciate your vote so that I can share these values with Oregon and this country.

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 be actively working to elect Democrats by volunteering for Bernadette Hansen's campaign to unseat Senator Boquist. If time allows I hope to do canvassing. As for other Democrat's I plan on actively engaging in discussions with my family, friends, and coworkers and showing them how their values are represented by the Democratic Party.

Judy Silk

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

The Orange deranged monster must be stopped. I have protested in front of the Heathman Hotel for 10 days to bring attention to his part in the Ukraine scandal. I have written over 100 letters to likely voters and I have pledged to write 600 between now and mid October. I volunteer at Dem hdqtrs, and I am dedicated to going to swing states in the run up to the election. I have two daughters and we can't allow the COVID Sadist in Chief to murder any more of our vulnerable people.

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 likely visit Arizona or Michigan to help with senate races there, and I will continue to work with swing left and other activist organizations. I am retired, and fired UP.

Cindy Smith

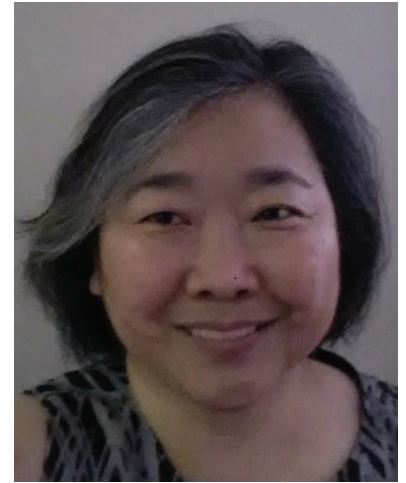
CD 1 – Female – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

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

PLEO: Chair, Veterans Caucus

Donor: President's Council



Statement of Candidacy:

I'm Cindy Smith, a retired Air Force Master Sergeant, Chair of the DPO Veterans Caucus, Multnomah County Neighborhood Leader, PCP, State Central Committee Delegate, CD1 Delegate, and Member of the DPO Rules Committee. I'm campaigning for Joe Biden because he'll fight for veterans, promote women's rights, and continue Obama's progressive agenda. I first volunteered for Joe Biden when I flew to Des Moines, Iowa from DC in 2008 to volunteer for his presidential campaign. I've pitched in to help Gov. Brown's and Senator Merkley's past re-election campaigns, worked hard as a member of the DPO Rules Committee to ensure we make our state party fair and open to communities of color and other underrepresented communities, and I've participated in past State Platform Conventions. I believe it's an honor to serve our country and after retiring from the Air Force I worked at the Pentagon as a Program Manager and as a Service Liaison, and then as a Program Manager for the Department of Justice's Office of the Inspector General. I'd be honored to earn 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?

Donald Trump's lack of leadership, incitement of violence and hate, and failure to adequately respond to the Covid-19 Pandemic has helped cripple the US economy and caused needless deaths and suffering. We need a change! I'll work hard volunteering for Joe's campaign and also volunteer for the Coordinated Campaign to back Sen. Merkley, Rep. Bonamici, our great statewide candidates and legislative team. I'll help with the Multnomah Democrats Slate Card and Neighborhood Leader programs and continue to work hard at the DPO Rules Committee, and as Chair of the DPO Veterans Caucus I will continue to help promote veteran's programs and make sure veterans vote this November. I'm committed to volunteer to back Democratic causes and candidates and hope I can count on your support.

Elise Smith Sandusky

CD 5 – Female – Salem, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: People with Disabilities



Statement of Candidacy:

My name is Elise Smith Sandusky, I am a daughter, sister, wife, mother and grandma. I didn't follow the traditional path in my life. I came from a broken home, I was a single parent at a young age, I became a college graduate as well as a proud parent of college graduates and a mom of a United States Marine, and last but not least I'm currently married to the man of my dreams. I struggled and I never gave up. I feel I can openly and honestly represent the State of Oregon as a State Delegate for the Democratic Party at the National Convention. I understand and relate to so many fellow Oregonians. It would be an honor to represent you and the State of Oregon at the 2020 Democratic National Convention. I'm currently employed at a nationwide nonprofit origination in the position of Human Resources. I choose to work for this company because it recognizes the struggles among citizens across all boundaries. Their mission aligns with my personal beliefs and passion to represent and have a voice for all. Thank you all for your time & remember to 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?

It is time to take America back and build unity among all citizens. My never give-up until the job is done drive will carry me after the Democratic National Convention. I am committed to organizing voter contact, volunteer management, digital strategy, data analytics and getting the word out to our voters to keep Oregon a strong Democratic State. Strength in numbers.

Barbara Smith Warner

CD 3 – Female – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

**PLEO: State Representative, House
Majority Leader**

Donor: Grassroots Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

There has never been a more important time to do everything we can to elect Democrats to lead at every level of the government. As a 20-year precinct committee person, a state representative, the House Majority Leader and a lifelong political hack, I would be honored to cast my vote to end the dark oligarchy that has infected our federal government, and cast a light of hope to guide us through this shared trauma toward the Oregon and the nation that we have the potential to be.

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 Oregon House Majority Leader, I will be working every day to maintain and expand our super majority. That means raising money, phone banking and text banking, canvassing (I hope!) and organizing events in concert with the county parties, the DPO, the Senate Democrats, our statewide electeds, and the national coordinated campaign to educate and activate every voter to turn in their ballot for a blue wave like we've never seen before.

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

Donor: President's Council



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

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

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

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>

Paul Terdal

CD 1 – Male – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

I have been a PCP in Multnomah County since 2004. I have served the party in many ways, including as Budget and Finance Chair, helping to raise the money that our local party needs to get out the vote and elect Democrats. I have also supported many local candidates, through canvassing, phone banking, and sponsoring house parties in my home. For the past dozen years, I have also been deeply involved in developing and implementing progressive policies to support individuals with disabilities and every day working families. I have written – and enacted – a half-dozen statutes in Oregon. In partnership with the Democratic caucus in Salem, I have created – and funded – nearly 2,000 living wage jobs to provide critical behavioral health services; empowered Oregon’s Insurance Commissioner to seek restitution on behalf of consumers for violations of the Insurance Code; and reformed state regulations on mental health parity and Medicaid coverage. I have been a member of the DNC Disability Caucus since it was created in 2016. I have helped craft national policy positions on disability rights, and coordinated outreach to the disability community. As your Convention delegate, I will ensure that the Democratic platform embodies the progressive values we hold dear.

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

Before and after the Convention, I will continue doing what I’m already doing: raising money to support Democrats; working with the party and campaign to reach out to voters; and ensuring that the party adopts and implements progressive policies that will make a difference. I will also continue to support the campaigns on a grass-roots level, with canvassing and phone banking, and reaching out to my own neighbors in my own precinct to get out the vote.

Ericka Thessen

**CD 4 – Female – Eugene, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden**



Statement of Candidacy:

I am a single mom of three kids and work in acute care health care. My passions are reproductive justice, gender equality, racial equality, LGBTQ rights and ending homelessness especially for youth.

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 a PCP for the DPLC. I am committed to getting progressive candidates elected, especially at local and state level. I would love to see more single parents, women, LGBTQ and people of color elected in Oregon.

Owen Thomas

CD 5 – Male – Salem, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Young Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

I'm a Politics and Religious Studies student at Willamette University and Salem resident. I've been a supporter of Joe Biden since he announced his candidacy and am an active moderator of r/JoeBiden on Reddit, a growing online community of 17k subscribers committed to promoting and celebrating the former vice president's campaign. I'd be honored to be among Oregon's delegates and help represent Gen-Z voters 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?

I plan to continue my contributions to r/JoeBiden and volunteer for the Democrat in the competitive Secretary of State election whenever possible.

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.

Johanna “Hanna” Vaandering

CD 1 – Female – Hillsboro, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden
Communities: LGBTQ+ American



Statement of Candidacy:

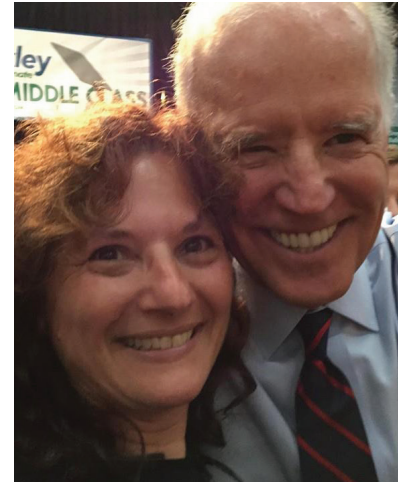
My name is Johanna “Hanna” Vaandering, an elementary physical education teacher and lifelong Oregonian. I believe our Democracy is at stake in this election and am asking for your support to be on the frontlines of the movement to protect our Constitution and elect Joe Biden as the 46th President. As an educator and union activist/leader I have spent my career advocating for public education, racial and social justice. I was honored to serve as President of the Oregon Education Association for four years and am currently a member of the NEA Executive Committee, representing 3 million educators and public service workers across the nation. During this administration, we have endured attacks on public education by a Secretary of Education who spent her entire life trying to dismantle public education. This administration denies climate change and has rolled back decades of protections that are putting our future in danger. We have to do better! My commitment to doing everything I can to ensure we wake up November 4, 2020 knowing we did everything we could to elect Joe Biden and down ballot candidates who support the working class and Democracy is unwavering. I ask for your support and 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?

Upon the conclusion of our convention, whatever form that takes, I will be prepared to hit the ground running. Working with our state leadership and the Biden campaign to energize the base to be involved not only in Oregon, but in battleground states as well. The COVID-19 pandemic will require us to build new and exciting ways to create a ground game that will sweep the nation. If we all work together and utilize technology effectively, Oregon can be a real player in this election. I look forward to being part of TEAM Oregon to take back our Democracy and will do whatever it takes to be a productive member of this Team.

Rose Etta Venetucci

CD 1 – Female – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

My name is Rose Etta Venetucci. I feel I am qualified to represent my district at the convention. Please consider voting for me to represent 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?

I will diligently work as directed and spend an amazing number of hours phone banking, text banking, door knocking. I commit to training and organizing other PCP's and democrats to join me. There is something for everyone to participate in from their home, on the street, or the office. I would work diligently to be sure all Democrats are included and have the opportunity to contribute to getting Democrats elected.

Laurie E. Volm

CD 1 – Female – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

I have been a healthcare worker since 1971-present. I am a PCP and neighborhood leader, working very hard to get people to vote. Our Vote is our voice. We need to protect our democracy and our planet, the country's integrity at home and abroad. I will work to leave a better place for our children

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 campaign, phone bank, door to door, gather others to join to get our candidates elected I am committed 100% to ensure our success

Gabriel Watson

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat



Statement of Candidacy:

It's time we stand up and fight for democratic America we deserve. Success of our party is critical to the future of Oregon and the United States. I've dedicated the past two years to this fight and will continue these efforts into the convention and beyond. As a professional firefighter, an attorney, and the new host of the Everyday Advocate podcast, I've dedicated my energy to the everyday Americans who comprise our party. As a delegate I plan to further the cause of our party, to focus on repairing the judiciary, and ensuring each and every person alive in American is given the opportunities that America is meant to promise.

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 Democratic National Convention I plan to continue campaigning, fundraising, and supporting Democratic candidates. As host of the Everyday Advocate I plan to further educate audiences on the values and equality promised by the democratic party. In 2021 I will work with other attorneys to begin repairing the damage to the judiciary caused by the current administration.

Nicholas Webster

CD 1 – Male – Aloha, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

In 2020, the Democratic Party was blessed with an abundance of incredibly overqualified presidential candidates. Many of us, including myself, initially supported another candidate. However, I enthusiastically support Joe Biden in his bid for the White House. His trailblazing record as Vice President is in the best progressive tradition of the party, and he will make an excellent President. I'm asking you to select me as a delegate to shape the future of the party and our state and country. Joe has promised to bring a diverse group into his administration. The delegates have a major task in achieving this vision in selecting a vice presidential nominee. We must also ensure that the convention platform is influenced by the progressive base of the party, and that the Democratic Party of Oregon continues to reflect this base. Thank you for your support.

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 it is unlikely that door-to-door campaigning will be feasible this year, the two areas I can best help in are data entry and a strong social media presence. I will provide information on Twitter and Facebook, in addition to Joe Biden, about candidates up and down the ballot, such as Jeff Merkley, Shemia Fagan, Courtney Neron, and Nafisa Fai. I will also perform data entry and analysis tasks as needed by the DPO. I will also, assuming that I was successful in my write-in campaign, begin work as a precinct committeeperson and use the tools available to me through that position.

Kevin Weitemier

CD 3 – Male – Portland, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden



Statement of Candidacy:

2020 represents the most important election of our lifetimes, it is imperative we work as hard as we can to elect Joe Biden as president. My name is Kevin Weitemier. I'm a proud Democrat, and I'm ready to elect an administration that will lead America's recovery, both from our current emergency and from the past four years. I am a scientist with Oregon State University. I know we need to elect an administration that will--and I can't believe we're at a point where this controversial--listen to and act on quality scientific evidence. I am a former Vice President with the American Federation of Teachers-Oregon. As a proud union member I know the benefits of labor unions to both their members and their communities. I'm ready to elect an administration that will allow all workers to exercise their right to organize and join unions. I'm ready to elect Joe Biden for President of the United States. I'm asking you to join me, and I'm asking for your vote to represent you at the Democratic National Convention, to let me tell the country that Oregon is ready to fight for our 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?

When I return from Milwaukee I will knock doors, write letters, register voters, and encourage voters from battleground states to elect Joe Biden.

Kate White Horse

CD 4 – Female – Creswell, OR
Candidate: Joe Biden
Communities: Native American



Statement of Candidacy:

I want to participate. I feel that we will should at some point. It was time.

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

Grass Roots mobility for Oregon!

Veronica Williams

CD 1 – Female – Tualatin, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

PLEO: Treasurer, Washington County

Democratic Central Committee

Donor: President's Council



Statement of Candidacy:

A life-long dedicated, passionate Democrat. First active in 2004 upon retiring after 34 years of Federal Service with the VA, Treasury & Energy Departments. I volunteered on my Congressman's campaign and joined the Washington County Democrats. For 16 years I have worked to help turn our county Blue. I led the Blue Horizon Fund, raising the dollars needed to create and support our permanent office; chaired our Contributions and Endorsements Committee to support and publicize Democratic candidates up and down the ticket – helping turn school boards, city councils, Mayor's, and last year our County Commission majority Democrat; currently serve as Treasurer of the WashCoDems and as treasurer for candidates; served as Finance Chair for Tobias Read for 8 years. I'm a State Central Committee member, DPO Budget Committee member, and President's Council Member. A PCP and Neighborhood Leader, I have knocked doors and called voters in my House District, raising voter awareness and turnout. In 2018 I worked to elect Rachel Prusak, defeating an incumbent R. In 2016 I was an alternate delegate, attending the National Convention for the 1st time. This year I would be honored to attend as a delegate for Joe Biden. I ask for 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?

This summer and fall I will be hosting conversations with legislative and local candidates on Zoom, as President of the Willamette Women Democrats. I will be assisting our PAC to raise and contribute funds to state and local candidates. I will be working with my fellow elected officers in Washington County to grow and train our Neighborhood Leader program. I will specifically be assisting the re-election campaign for Rachel Prusak and helping on Nafisa Fai's County Commissioner race and the Metro race. As I do every election, I will be actively engaged in the GOTV effort in my neighborhood. And lastly, as a member of SuperMajority, I will be making voter engagement and GOTV calls to other states with important Senate races, such as Arizona.

Steven Yarosh

CD 1 – Male – Portland, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Veterans or Active Service Members



Statement of Candidacy:

I seek to be part of the delegation so I can connect with and influence other decision makers. A dangerous polarity has taken hold of American politics, and working families & small businesses are being squeezed hard by it. Instead of trying to displace the other party and impose super-majority rule — all elected officials should be working hand-in-hand with each other, coming up with smart, common-sense solutions that support working families and small businesses. That isn't happening enough — so I want to join the delegation and make representation of working families & small businesses a greater priority. I'm a trial attorney with a strong background representing workers in civil rights and wage disputes. I'm also a former prosecutor (Washington D.C.) and was a leading trial attorney for the United States Department of Justice in the Waco, Texas case involving David Koresh and the Branch Davidians. I've worked as a sports writer and newspaper photographer - and also served 7 years active duty in the U.S. Navy, including 3 years on board the Battleship New Jersey (BB-62) and one year with the U.N. Peacekeeping Force in Beirut, Lebanon. I live in Portland, Oregon with my wife and teen-age son.

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 actively support Democratic candidates who possess two vital qualifications: 1. They've raised a child. Having to navigate the pitfalls of prenatal care, preschool, daycare, public school, pediatric care, etc. is vital to understanding whether certain governmental rules and policies are smart and helpful, or foolish and burdening. and 2. They've operated a small business. It's easy to talk about budgets, funding and the economy — especially when you're insulated from the impact of your own decisions. But it's a whole different game when you have to figure out permitting, sales, inventory, employment laws, leasing — and everything else small businesses struggle with every day. Good leaders understand this. That's why I will work hard to elect Democratic candidates who possess these two vital qualifications.

For additional information about the candidate, visit:
amazon.com/author/steveyarosh