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**4th Congressional District**Joe Biden Caucus

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# Candidates for District-Level Delegates to the Democratic National Convention: Joe Biden — Congressional District 4

Name	City	<b>Communities of Interest</b>
Sami Al-Abdrabbuh	Corvallis	Young Democrat
Chad Albright	Lebanon	Rural Democrat
Joseph Alongi	Eugene	Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Mark Brennan	Florence	Rural Democrat, Veterans or Active Service Members
Becca Byerley	Eugene	
Shirley Cairns	Oakland	Rural Democrat
Tony Corcoran	Cottage Grove	Rural Democrat
Kevin Cronin	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Sierra Dameron	Springfield	Young Democrat
Howard Feldman	Roseburg	Rural Democrat
Thomas Fiorelli	Eugene	Young Democrat
Austin Folnagy	Vida	Rural Democrat, People with Disabilities, Young Democrat
Michael Gaither	Albany	People with Disabilities, Veterans or Active Service Members
Mildred Gist	Coos Bay	Rural Democrat, Veterans or Active Service Members
Summer Haenny	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities, Young Democrat
Madison Hibler	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities, Young Democrat
Robert Hourigan	Eugene	1 0 011-10 1 0 1 1 1 1
Cari Howat	Albany	LGBTQ+ American
Annabelle Jaramillo	Philomath	Hispanic/Latinx American
Brandon Jordan	Springfield	Rural Democrat, Young Democrat
Quintin Kreth	Junction City	Rural Democrat, Young Democrat

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Colin Lyons	Springfield	Young Democrat
Barbara McLean	Eugene	
Brent McLean	Eugene	
Emily Mooney	Eugene	Young Democrat
Matt Moore	Eugene	Young Democrat
Stephanie Newton	Albany	LGBTQ+ American, People with Disabilities, Young Democrat
Carroll Noel	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American, Veterans or Active Service Members
Allison Olin	Springfield	LGBTQ+ American, Native American, Young Democrat
Brett Rowlett	Eugene	Domodrat
Jacob Trewe	Eugene	Young Democrat
Carla Van Der Vorst	Roseburg	Veterans or Active Service Members
James Von Hippel	Coos Bay	Rural Democrat
Logan Walker	Eugene	LGBTQ+ American, Young Democrat
Sally Webber	Eugene	
Kate White Horse	Creswell	Native American
Dorothy Yetter	Merlin	LGBTQ+ American, Rural Democrat

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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 agai 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 Democtrats in up and down the ballot.

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

http://samioregon.com/

### **Mark Brennan**

CD 4 – Male – Florence, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat, Veterans or

**Active Service Members** 



#### Statement of Candidacy:

I am a life long Democrat. I have spent my life working to inform and educate people. I am a journalist and photographer for the Siuslaw News in Florence, Oregon. I am a graduate of the University of Oregon, attaining a Bachelor of Science Degree in Communications and Journalism and I am a dedicated and highly motivated person who is anxious to work for Joe Biden for President. I know many people locally and across the state and I have a fairly high profile in our town. I am a veteran of the Air Force and I believe we need a President that is hard working, honest and respectful of all Americans, regardless of party affiliation or income level. That is not the case at this 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?

I am determined to talk with as many folks as I can in Florence. I have a wide array of acquaintances, from many walks of life. I also have a long list of friends and associates that are willing to trust my analysis in this regard.

### **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

### **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 ultright 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.

### **Thomas Fiorelli**

CD 4 – Male – Eugene, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

**Communities: Young Democrat** 



#### Statement of Candidacy:

I was raised in historic New England, finished high school on Florida's Gulf Coast, and relocated in 2009 to my permanent home in Eugene, OR. I hold a Master of Public Administration degree and a Bachelor of Science in Planning, Public Policy, and Management from the University of Oregon. Currently, I serve as a research and teaching fellow and am pursuing a Ph.D. My research is focused on the reuse of blighted and contaminated properties and the role that development plays at the intersection of ecology, land use, and environmental justice. Over the past several years I have worked and volunteered for multiple campaigns and initiatives that support Democrats and Democratic values. I believe that now, more than ever, it is imperative that we work even harder to ensure that our values are represented in Oregon and our nation's capital. The future of our State and our Country are at stake. The most vulnerable among us are counting on us to ensure there is a safe and just future for their families and communities. That is why I am asking you to count on me to carry out this important duty as a Democrat and Oregonian.

### 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 my return to Oregon from the Democratic National Convention, I will work side-by-side with party leaders and volunteers to ensure that we protect and promote our values. I will call and text voters and ask them to support experienced Democrats as well as the emerging leaders who represent our future. I will knock on doors the moment it is safe to do so. I will do everything I can to convince people that this election matters and that their vote counts.

### **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.

### **Mildred Gist**

CD 4 – Female – Coos Bay, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: Rural Democrat, Veterans or

**Active Service Members** 



### Statement of Candidacy:

Hello - I am an Army veteran and retired database designer for the USDA. My purpose in running to be a Biden Delegate is to stand for Vice President Joe Biden in his bid to become POTUS46. Joe is a good man and I trust him to create a coalition government in 2021 that speaks and works for ALL people - not just the powerful. We have a lot of work to do to make things right and we can do it together. God bless you and God bless America.

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

The best and first thing is to pray that people will rise up and VOTE realizing their voice is crucial to our democracy. I will keep abreast of current events and utilize social media and other means to get out the vote and raise awareness of what VP Biden will do for our nation from day one.

### **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.

### **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!!

### **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.

### **Colin Lyons**

CD 4 – Male – Springfield, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

**Communities: Young Democrat** 



### Statement of Candidacy:

I am running as a delegate for Oregon because I will be a positive representative of my friends, neighbors, and community at large. I have worked hard this primary campaign for a local race by phone banking, writing postcards, and participating in a few online discussions— both in support of my candidate and also as someone asking hard questions of the opposition candidate. I am on the executive board of my teacher's union, and I fight hard to make sure my co-workers rights are upheld and established. Teaching early US history in local middle schools has given me a unique and insightful perspective of our history and where we need to go as a nation into the future. I stand as an advocate for women's rights, for my brothers and sisters who are minorities, and I am passionate about equity in our justice system. I am excited about this crucial election cycle, and the change that will happen as democrats come together to win in November! I am on the executive board of my teacher's union and I fight hard to make sure my co-workers rights are upheld and established. Having taught early US history in local middle schools has given me a unique view of our history and where we need to go as a nation into the 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?

After the convention, however it looks this time, I will promise to hit the ground running in preparation for November. Working as a local PCP for our state house representative, I pledge to do everything I can to see him elected. The benefit of living in Oregon is that many races can be considered 'shoe-ins', but this year we can't take that chance. We must take every opportunity afforded to us to create relationships that will lead to democratic votes on the ballot. After the convention I promise to hit the ground running through November. Working as a local PCP for our State House of Representatives candidate, I pledge to do everything I can to see him reelected. There is too much at stake; many who are suffering, who have been underrepresented, overlooked, racially offended, or blatantly exploited not to mention the destruction of our environment.

### **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

### **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.

### Stephanie Newton

CD 4 – Female – Albany, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, People

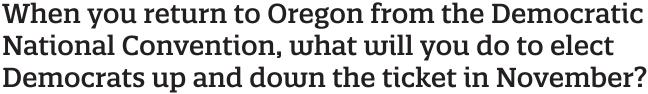
with Disabilities, Young Democrat

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 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!)



### **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!

### Carla Van Der Vorst

CD 4 – Female – Roseburg, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

**Communities: Veterans or Active Service** 

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#### **Statement of Candidacy:**

I am Carla Van der Vorst and I am committed to represent Oregon Democrats in support of Joe Biden at the State and National Conventions! I believe that Vice President Biden's policies for the future are best for our country and will restore our Democracy. I am 56 years old and after 30 years as an accountant in private industry, I retired in 2015. I am a veteran of the U.S. Navy. We moved to Oregon this year and plan to make Roseburg our final home. I am very excited to support the Democratic Party of Oregon in the party's pursuit to elect Joe Biden for President. I actively participate in Postcards to Voters, Vote Forward and Flip the Senate. I belong to an organization called Envoys for Humanity, a grassroots organization that helps to support various campaigns and voter projects. I was a volunteer for Beto O'Rourke's Presidential campaign and helped with various projects. It is my hope that the selection committee will see the value the contribution I am prepared to bring to the Oregon Delegation. I am determined and willing to do whatever I can to help all Democratic candidates for the 2020 election and beyond.

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

Currently, I am involved with many organizations geared towards Vote by Mail initiatives and reminding Democratic voters to vote for specific candidates. Additionally, I participate in phone banking and texting for targeted candidates. Upon return from the Democratic National Convention I will continue using these tools towards supporting Democratic candidates up and down the ticket in November. I plan to utilize social media to bring visibility to the 2020 election in its totality. I plan to continue making contributions to candidate campaigns both financially and with any skills or talents that might be needed. I am committed to electing Democrats in November and I will do all I can to support the Democratic Party and Democratic candidates.

### **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.

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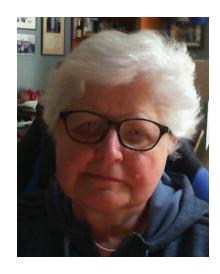
### **Dorothy Yetter**

CD 4 – Female – Merlin, OR

Candidate: Joe Biden

Communities: LGBTQ+ American, Rural

Democrat



### Statement of Candidacy:

I am 70 years old, grew up in Chicago and have lived in rural Josephine County since 2001 with my partner of 25 years. I have been active as a Precinct Committee Person, Treasurer and Vice Chair in the Josephine County Democrats since 2016 when I was elected PCP via write-in. My focus is to nominate a candidate who will restore dignity to this Country as President. A candidate who supports the working people of Oregon and not just the "1%". A candidate who will value science, tell the truth, improve the environment, and advance healthcare for all. A candidate who will respect the diversity of our Nation and have equality and humanity as guiding principles. These are the ideals I value and support, not only in our candidate, but also in our Democratic Platform.

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Following the convention, I hope to communicate the vision of our presidential candidate and platform. Currently I am involved in our website and communication strategy, which with assistance from others in our local party, can fully engage Democrats and Progressives .