

# Albany Democratic Club Endorsement Candidates Survey

Your name (as it will appear on the ballot) \*

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Office sought including jurisdiction (for example "Albany City Council" or "Alameda County Superior Court Judge, Seat 2") \*

AC Transit Board of Directors Ward 1

Party registration \*

- Democratic Party
- Republican Party
- Green Party
- Libertarian Party
- American Independent Party
- Peace and Freedom Party
- Not registered for a political party
- Other: .....

Your ballot designation as it will appear below your name on the ballot (usually occupation or current office) \*

Community Coordinator .....

List of your prominent endorsers, both organizations and individuals \*

Maria Alegria, Chair, Democratic Party of Contra Costa County; former Mayor and City Councilmember, City of Pinole; former President, League of California Cities\*

Dr. Vicki Alexander, founder, Healthy Black Families Inc.; retired Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Director & Health Officer, City of Berkeley\*

Solomon "Soli" Alpert, Commissioner, Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board, At-large\*

Judy Appel, President, Berkeley Unified School District Board of Education\*

Jesse Arreguín, Berkeley Mayor\*

Asst. Prof. Kafui Ablode Attoh, Joseph S. Murphy Institute for Worker Education at the City University of New York School of Labor and Urban Studies\*; author, Rights in Transit: Public Transportation and the Right to the City in California's East Bay

Vinnie Bacon, Fremont City Councilmember\*; former bus driver; candidate for Alameda County Board of Supervisors, District 1

Ben Bartlett, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 3\*

Yelda Bartlett, Berkeley resident and attorney

Keith Brown, President, Oakland Education Association; former classroom teacher, Bret Harte Middle School, Oakland Campus\*

Ruscal Cayangyang, former President, Vallejo City Unified School District Board of Education\*

Otheree Christian, former President, Iron Triangle Neighborhood, Richmond\*

Michael Colbruno, Oakland Port Commissioner\*

Cheryl Davila, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 2\*

Bevan Dufty, Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Board of Directors, District 9\*

John Gioia, Contra Costa County Supervisor, District 1\*

Jackie Fielder, lecturer; activist; co-founder of the San Francisco Public Bank Coalition; candidate, California State Senate, District 11\*

Carroll Fife, Director, Alliance of Californians for Community Empowerment (ACCE) – Oakland/San Francisco; founder, Black Women in Elected Leadership PAC; elected member of the Oakland NAACP's Executive Committee; candidate, Oakland City Council, District 3\*

Danny Glover, actor, film director, and political activist

Demetrio Gonzalez, former President, United Teachers of Richmond\*

Terry Harris, former Fire Marshall, City of Richmond; former President, International Association of Black Professional Firefighters\*

Kate Harrison, Berkeley City Councilmember, District 4\*

David Hildebrand, Northern Region Vice Chair, California Democratic Party Progressive Caucus\*

Dan Kalb, Oakland City Councilmember, District 1\*

Jack Kurzweil, Administrative Coordinator, Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club\*

Marilyn Langlois, community activist

Eduardo Martinez, Richmond City Councilmember, At-large\*

Gus Newport, former Berkeley Mayor (1979 - 1986)\*

Rochelle Pardue-Okimoto, El Cerrito City Councilmember, At-large\*

Robin Poindexter, former Deputy Fire Marshall, City of Richmond; member, International Association of Black Professional Firefighters\*

Lateefah Simon, Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Board of Directors, District 7\*

Igor Tregub, Berkeley Rent Board Commissioner

B.K. Williams, Chair, Richmond Progressive Alliance and Women in Politics\*; filmmaker

Mark Williams, AC Transit Board of Directors, Ward 4\*

Melvin Willis, Richmond City Councilmember, District 1\*

\*For Identification purposes only

East Bay Working Families

Green Party of Alameda County

Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club

International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) Local 16

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 302

International Brotherhood of Teamsters (IBT) Joint Council 7

IBT Local Union No. 70

IBT Local Union No. 315

IBT Local Union No. 853

IBT Local Union No. 856

Lambda Democratic Club of Contra Costa County

National Union of Healthcare Workers (NUHW)

Oakland East Bay Democratic Club

Our Revolution Contra Costa

Richmond Progressive Alliance (RPA)

San Francisco Berniecrats

Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 1021

United Teachers of Richmond, CTA, NEA (UTR)

Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club

Women in Politics

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Brief description of your campaign – include the names of any consultants or campaign managers you will use, funds you have raised to date, and how much to expect to have to raise to win. \*

Co-Managers- Nick Ratto & Katy Scott Smith

Comms Director- Nick French

Funds raised- >\$50,000

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Brief description of your history of involvement with and support for the Democratic Party and its candidates and ballot measure positions – include Democratic clubs/organizations to which you belong or which you have supported financially \*

I am member of the executive committee of the California Democratic Party Progressive Caucus. I am a member of the Wellstone Democratic Club and the Harvey Milk LGBT Dem Club. I strongly support Prop 15.

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Albany prides itself on its waterfront, public schools, small town feel in a large metro area, local shopping and restaurant scene, and our city and its bodies are often debating how to make our policies and our modest city budget meet the diverse needs of our community and the needs of the region and beyond. Please provide a brief description of any impacts you have already had on the city of Albany and its residents and how, if elected, you see yourself balancing the needs of Albany with the needs of the greater region. \*

Albany is a great city in the heart of the East Bay. I have organized and worked with many people in Albany over the years. In 2018, I earned over 3200 votes in the city of Albany. This year I hope to do even better.

On the AC Transit board of directors I promise to fight for free and accessible public transit, good union jobs, and carbon neutral transit options. In my experience, these are all things that are broadly popular in the East Bay at large, but also specifically in Albany as well.

I also know that AC Transit has proposed cuts to lines, some of which may serve residents of Albany I want to make it clear that I will oppose these cuts and make sure that the people of Albany have the quality public transportation options that they deserve.

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