

ABOUT STONEWALL

Tulare County Stonewall Democrats is a chartered organization of the Tulare County Democratic Central Committee and affiliated with the CADem LGBT Caucus and the CDC (California Democratic Council).

The purpose of the Tulare County Stonewall Democrats is to work within the Tulare County Democratic Party, providing a strong voice and representation within the party structure; securing full equal rights of LGBT+ citizens through affecting legislation and policies; and encouraging LGBT+ community to participate fully as Democrats at all levels of policymaking and public service.

We will help elect qualified, openly lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people to public office, as well as Democratic Party candidates that support equal rights for the LGBT+ community.

INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for your interest in Tulare County Stonewall Democrats and taking time to complete this questionnaire. In order to be considered for endorsement, candidates are required to complete this document. Answers are required for each question in Parts I and II; **Part III must be completed only if you are a school board candidate**. We encourage candidates to explain as many answers as possible. Do not make changes to any of the questions. Your answers are public information, and you must sign each page of this questionnaire, including the first. Questionnaires that are not signed on each page are considered incomplete and will disqualify you from endorsement.

Please attach your latest biography, a list of current endorsements and any campaign literature, your website, and social media information. Email completed and signed questionnaires to tcstonewalldems@gmail.com.

It is strongly encouraged for the candidate contact us and schedule time on a future meeting agenda to speak.

NOTE: Stonewall policies prohibit the Club from endorsing anyone other than a registered Democrat, even in non-partisan races. If not a registered Democrat, please do not submit.

PART I: CAMPAIGN INFORMATION [Portions of this part will be redacted]

Name:	
Occupation:	
Employer:	
Office Sought:	
Campaign Committee ID Number:(FPPC/FEC)	
Name of Campaign Committee:	
Campaign Address (including city, state, zip):	
Campaign Address <i>con't</i>	
Campaign Phone:	
Campaign Email:	
Campaign Website:	
Campaign Manager:	
Fundraising Consultant:	

CANDIDATE'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PART II: CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Goals and Purposes of Tulare County Stonewall Democrats

- *Advance equal rights for all people regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.*
- *Support public policies that advance lesbian, gay, bisexual, & transgender (LGBT) equality at all levels of government.*
- *Elect qualified, openly LGBT+ people to public office as well as other Democratic Party candidates who support LGBT+ equality.*
- *Work within the Democratic Party to advance LGBT+ equality and full recognition of LGBT+ families.*
- *Educate the public at large about LGBT+ issues and concerns.*
- *Promote the Democratic Party's message of economic justice and social equality for all.*

1. Do you support the goals and purposes of Tulare County Stonewall Democrats, as outlined above?
2. Identify one goal from the list above and elaborate on how you have helped to achieve it.
3. Are you a member of the Tulare County Stonewall Democrats? If yes, when did you join? If no, do you plan to join?
4. Have you been endorsed by Stonewall before? If yes, for what race?
5. Have you endorsed a Republican over a Democrat for an elected partisan race? If yes, when and why?
6. Are you openly LGBT+?
7. Are any of your staff or key volunteers openly LGBT+?
8. Would you support mandatory diversity training that includes LGBT+ issues for public employees?
9. If your place of employment has diversity training, did you advocate for inclusion of LGBT+ issues? Why or Why not?
10. Would you support mandatory diversity training for all law enforcement, including correctional peace officers, that includes LGBT+ issues?
11. Do you support marriage equality (laws permitting same-sex couples to marry under state law)?
12. Did you publicly oppose Proposition 8? If not, has your position evolved?

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13. Do you support laws enabling individuals, such as property owners, businesses and government officials to disregard LGBT+ rights, such as marriage, employment or housing, on the basis of personal or religious belief exemptions?
14. Do you support an age-appropriate public school curriculum that teaches awareness and sensitivity regarding sexual orientation and gender identity?
15. Do you support protections for transgender, gender non-conforming and questioning youth, regardless of sexual orientation, from discrimination in schools, foster care, juvenile justice and other institutional settings, including personnel training and zero tolerance for disparagement by peers?
16. Do you support protections for transgender individuals covering areas such as name-choice, facilities access and work place rules (e.g., non-discriminatory dress codes)?
17. Do you support requiring health insurance companies to cover medically necessary gender reassignment surgeries and follow-up care for individuals identifying as transgender?
18. Do you support allowing transgender Americans to serve in the U.S. military?
19. Do you support local funding for HIV/AIDS services, including, but not limited to, needle-exchange programs?
20. Do you support the rights of women to access reproductive healthcare, including abortion?
21. Do you support comprehensive immigration reform, including a path to citizenship?
22. Please describe your top goals, if elected to office.
23. If you receive an endorsement from Tulare County Stonewall Democrats, will you list and disclose Tulare County Stonewall Democrats as an endorsing organization?
24. Please describe how your election to this office would benefit the LGBT+ community.

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PART III: SCHOOL BOARD SUPPLEMENTAL

25. Why are you running for school board? What is your background in education?

26. Does your district have an LGBT+ Task Force to address the needs and challenges facing LGBT+ students, parents and employees in your district? If not, what do you plan to do to protect LGBT+ students, parents and employees?

27. Does your district have anti-bullying policies that include LGBT+ students?

28. What have you done to help make schools safer for LGBT+ students and staff, both classified and non-classified?

29. Do you support full implementation of the Fair Education Act, which requires California K-12 schools provide Fair, Accurate, Inclusive and Respectful representations of people with disabilities and people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender in history and social studies curriculum including recognition of Harvey Milk Day?

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