



# Voters' Pamphlet

**Oregon Primary Election**  
May 19, 2026

Official Publication

This is your official 2026 Primary Election Voters' Pamphlet. It is meant to help you cast your vote by mail ballot. Ballots will be mailed to registered voters beginning April 29.

Included in this pamphlet are election deadlines, voter registration information, your rights as an Oregon voter, candidate statements, and measure information.

**Tobias Read**  
**Oregon Secretary of State**



**Oregon Secretary of State**  
Elections Division



**Oregon Secretary of State**  
Tobias Read



Dear Oregon Voters,

Two hundred fifty years ago, 13 American colonies fought for the right to choose their own leaders. Since then, we have worked to build a nation where “liberty and justice for all” is more than just an ideal by expanding the freedom to vote to all citizens. Every time we brought more citizens into the process, our country moved one step closer to that vision of a more perfect union. When you cast your ballot, you honor this great American legacy. It affirms your right to decide our shared future and hold your government accountable. **Your vote is your power as an Oregonian and an American. Thank you for using it.**

Voting in Oregon is secure and easy. Here's how to make sure your vote gets counted:

- Fill out your ballot correctly: read instructions carefully and fully fill in your choice.
- Sign your ballot envelope: your signature should match the one you used to register to vote or at the DMV.
- Return your ballot on time: mail it, or even better, use a secure drop box ([oregonvotes.gov/dropbox](https://oregonvotes.gov/dropbox)). You can also vote in person at your county clerk's office. Ballots must be postmarked by 8 PM on May 19, 2026.

*NEW FOR 2026: Due to delays at USPS, if you haven't mailed your ballot at least 7 days before Election Day, use a drop box or go directly to a post office and ask for a postmark before you place it in a collection box.*

- Track your ballot: see when it's sent to you and received by your county clerk at [oregonvotes.gov/myvote](https://oregonvotes.gov/myvote).

And once you've cast your ballot, you can trust the system that counts it. Oregon elections are among the most secure and transparent in the nation. Voter rolls are updated daily. Vote-tallying machines are certified, locked down, and never connected to the internet. Counties publicly test tally systems before and after every election. Each ballot has a unique identifier, and every signature is verified. If there's ever a question about voter intent, trained reviewers from different political parties must agree on the result. And after the election, ballots are preserved and audited by counties. That's what accountability looks like, and it's built into every step of our process.

If you ever have questions about Oregon elections, rely on trusted sources:  
the Secretary of State's office ([oregonvotes.gov](https://oregonvotes.gov)) or your county clerk ([oregonvotes.gov/counties](https://oregonvotes.gov/counties)).

**This year, your voice matters more than ever. Stand up for the Oregon and the America you believe in. Honor the generations who fought for this right. Make your plan to vote. Cast your ballot. And use your power.**

Sincerely,

**Tobias Read**  
Oregon Secretary of State



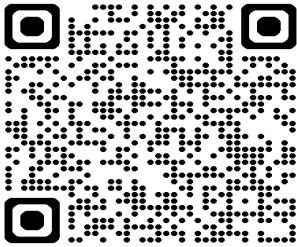
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## Voters' Pamphlet Translations Making Voting Accessible

*ORS 251.026, ORS 251.167, ORS 251.170, ORS 251.173 & ORS 251.315*

In 2021, the Oregon Legislature passed the Voter Language Access Bill (HB 3021) requiring the Secretary of State to translate portions of state and county voters' pamphlets into Oregon's most spoken languages. The law seeks to remove barriers to voting for those who are not fully proficient in English.

To help in this effort, the Translation Advisory Council was created. The Council is made up of volunteer community members who represent the ethnic, linguistic, and cultural diversity of Oregon voters. Council members make sure professional translations are accurate and retain the original tone and meaning in a culturally appropriate manner.



Selected portions of the State Voters' Pamphlet are available in Arabic, Simplified & Traditional Chinese characters, Farsi, French, German, Lu Mien, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Marshallese, Nepali, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog, Thai, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese. These translations can be found online at [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

To learn more about the Translation Advisory Council, please visit [Oregon.gov/languages](https://Oregon.gov/languages)

### Arabic

تتوفر أجزاء مختارة من كتيب الناخبين في هذه الولاية باللغة العربية. يمكن العثور على هذه الترجمات عبر الإنترنت على [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

### Chinese (Simplified characters)

州选民手册中的选定内容提供简体中文版本。请访问 [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet) 获取该版本。

### Chinese (Traditional characters)

州選民手冊的部分內容提供繁體中文版本。可造訪 [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet) 獲取該譯本。

### Farsi

بخش‌های منتخبی از بروشور رأی‌دهندگان ایالت به زبان فارسی موجود است این ترجمه‌ها را می‌توان به صورت آنلاین در وب سایت [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet) یافت

**French**

Certaines sections de cette brochures des électeurs de l'État sont disponibles en français. Ces traductions peuvent être consultées en ligne à l'adresse suivante [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**German**

Bestimmte Teile dieser bundesstaatlichen Wahlbroschüre sind auf deutsch verfügbar. Diese Übersetzungen finden Sie online unter [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**Iu Mien**

Naaiv nquenc zaangc njaux mienh ginv nyei sou-dorn maaih deix dorngx zorqv cuotv daaih faan bieqc mv deix waac –Mienh waac. Meih mv baac haaih lorz faan ziangx nyei waac yiem naaiv [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**Japanese**

この州の有権者向けのパンフレットの一部分は、日本語でもご利用いただけます。これらの翻訳は、[OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)にてオンラインでご覧いただけます。

**Khmer**

ផ្នែកដែលបានប្រើសរសេរនៃខិត្តប័ណ្ណសម្រាប់អ្នកបោះឆ្នោតខេត្តនេះ គឺអាចរកបានជាភាសាខ្មែរ។

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**Korean**

주 유권자 팜플렛의 선택된 부분은 한국어로 준비되어 있습니다. 번역은 온라인 에서 찾아볼 수 있습니다 [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**Marshallese**

Möttan melele ko emōj kelet ie ilo peba eo an ribout ilo state ewōr ilo Kajin Majol. Kwōmaron loe ukok kein online ilo [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**Nepali**

यस स्टेट मतदाता पम्प्लेटका चयन गरिएका भागहरू नेपालीमा उपलब्ध छन्। यी अनुवादहरू [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet) मा अनलाइन फेला पार्न सकिन्छ।

**Russian**

Отдельные части брошюры избирателей штата доступны на русском языке. Эти переводы можно найти в Интернете по адресу [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**Somali**

Dooro qaybaha galkaan xogta codbixiyaasha degmada ayaa lagu heli karaa af-Soomaali. Turjumaadahaan ayaan laga heli kara barta oonlaynka ah oo ah [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**Spanish**

Algunas secciones de estos folletos para votantes del estado están disponibles en español. Estas traducciones están disponibles en línea en [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**Tagalog**

Ang mga piling bahagi ng mga pamplet na ito para sa mga botante ng estado ay mababasa sa Tagalog. Makikita online ang mga pagsasaling-wikang ito sa [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**Thai**

จุลสารผู้ลงคะแนนของรัฐบางส่วนจัดทำเป็นภาษาไทย ฉบับแปลเหล่านี้สามารถพบได้ทางออนไลน์ที่เว็บไซต์ [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**Ukrainian**

Окремі частини брошури виборця штату доступні українською мовою. Ці переклади можна знайти онлайн на вебсторінці [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)

**Vietnamese**

Các phần được chọn trong tập thông tin cử tri tiểu bang này có bản ngôn ngữ tiếng Việt. Bản dịch có thể xem trực tuyến tại [OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://OregonVotes.gov/voterspamphlet)



## For questions about:

- registering to vote
- updating your registration
- elections and voting
- completing your ballot
- returning your ballot
- absentee ballots
- replacement ballots
- signature requirements



**Contact your County Election Office.**

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**For Clackamas County residents, this is a joint voters' pamphlet.**

County Voters' Pamphlet starts after page 44

To save on mailing and production costs, a county that prepares a voters' pamphlet may insert the pamphlet into the center of the state voters' pamphlet for distribution. It includes information about candidates and measures from local governments located within the county.



## It is against the law to:

- sign a ballot return envelope other than your own
- vote more than once in an election or cast a fraudulent ballot
- vote a ballot if you are not legally qualified to do so
- unduly influence another voter to vote in a particular manner
- sell, offer to sell, purchase, or offer to purchase another voter's ballot
- obstruct an entrance of a building in which a voting booth or official ballot drop site is located
- deface, remove, alter, or destroy another voter's ballot, a posted election notice, or election equipment or supplies
- attempt to collect voted ballots within 100 feet of an official ballot drop site
- establish a dropsite without displaying a sign stating "Not An Official Ballot Drop Site"

*This list is not exhaustive. Any violations of Oregon election laws or rules are subject to civil and/or criminal penalties.*

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For more information about voting in Oregon or if you think your rights as a voter have been violated, please contact the Secretary of State at:



**oregonvotes.gov**



**1 866 673 8683**

*se habla español*

**TTY**

**1 800 735 2900**

*for the hearing impaired*

# vote!

## Dates to Remember



→ **Tuesday, April 28**

Last day to register to vote or to change political party affiliation for this election.

→ **Wednesday, April 29**

First day for counties to mail ballots.

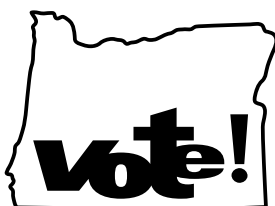


→ **Tuesday, May 19**

Election Day

Last day to return your ballot.

If you mail your ballot it must have a USPS postmark by 8 pm on Election Day. Or return your ballot to an official drop box by 8 pm on Election Day.



**[oregonvotes.gov/myvote](https://oregonvotes.gov/myvote)**

Use this online tool to check or update your registration status and track your ballot.

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## Where do I vote?

In Oregon, we vote by mail. You can vote from anywhere you choose.

If you're registered to vote by **April 28**, your ballot will be mailed between **April 29** and **May 5**. Your county elections office will mail it to the address in your voter registration record.

If you don't receive your ballot by **May 8**, call your county elections office.

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## What if I've moved?

Ballots cannot be forwarded. To receive your ballot, update your voter registration information at [oregonvotes.gov/myvote](https://oregonvotes.gov/myvote).

If Election Day is less than 5 days away, call your county elections office for instructions on how to get your ballot.

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## How can I get my ballot early?

If you will be away from your home on Election Day, update your voter registration information at [oregonvotes.gov/myvote](https://oregonvotes.gov/myvote). To request an absentee ballot, enter your absentee mailing address and how long you will be there.

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## Is the voters' pamphlet translated into other languages?

Yes. Portions of the voters' pamphlet are available online in:

Arabic, Simplified and Traditional Chinese characters, Farsi, French, German, lu Mien, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Marshallese, Nepali, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog, Thai, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese.

You can find these translations online at: [oregonvotes.gov/voterspamphlet](https://oregonvotes.gov/voterspamphlet).

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## Why don't I get to vote for major party candidates?

Oregon's primaries are closed. You must be a member of one of Oregon's two major parties, the Democratic or Republican party, to nominate that party's candidates to the General Election.

If your ballot does not include major party candidates, it means you're not registered to vote as a member of a major party.

Minor party and candidates not affiliated with a political party will appear on the General Election ballot in November, along with the major parties' nominees.

You will be able to vote for any candidate on your ballot at the General Election in November.

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## How do I complete my ballot?

Your ballot packet will include instructions on how to complete and return your ballot. Follow the instructions!

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## What if my ballot is damaged?

If your ballot is lost, destroyed, or damaged in a way that stops you from voting, call your county elections office and ask for a replacement ballot.

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## Do I have to vote on everything?

No. Your ballot will still be counted, even if you don't vote for every contest or measure on it.

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## Can I change how I voted?

If you have mailed or dropped off your ballot, your vote cannot be changed. If you still have your ballot, follow the instructions that were sent with your ballot.

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## How do I return my ballot?

You can return your ballot by mail, no stamp needed. If you mail your ballot, it must have a USPS postmark dated on or before 8 pm on May 19.

Or return your ballot to any county elections office or official drop box. You can find the nearest drop box, along with a map of how to get there, at [oregonvotes.gov/dropbox](https://oregonvotes.gov/dropbox) or by contacting your county elections office.

County elections offices are open on Election Day from 7 am to 8 pm.

## Is the secrecy sleeve required?

No. If you received a secrecy sleeve, you don't have to use it unless you want to.

If you didn't receive a secrecy sleeve, your county is one of the many that have incorporated additional security features approved by the Secretary of State's Office into the ballot return envelope and therefore no longer need the sleeve.

## Do I have to sign my ballot return envelope?

Yes. Your signature is a security measure used to verify your identity. You're the only person who can sign your ballot return envelope. Power of Attorney documents do not apply to voting.

If you cannot sign your name, contact your county elections office for more information.

Your ballot is only counted if the signature on the ballot return envelope matches signatures in your voter registration record.

If your signature does not match or you forget to sign the envelope, the county will notify you. You will have until 21 days after the election to prove you were the one who signed the envelope.

## If my name is on the ballot return envelope, is my vote really secret?

Yes. After signature verification, your ballot is separated from the ballot return envelope before it is unfolded and counted.

## Can I track my ballot?

As a registered voter, you may view updated ballot information at [oregonvotes.gov/myvote](https://oregonvotes.gov/myvote). You can see when a ballot is sent, received, or if it was returned as undeliverable.

## When will election results be known?

Initial results will be released beginning at **8 pm, May 19** and will continue to be updated through election night and the days following.

Between election night and the date the election results are certified, the unofficial results reported on [oregonvotes.gov](https://oregonvotes.gov) will change as vote counting continues.

Results are not final until the election is certified and the official abstract of votes is published. Final certified results will be available 37 days after the election.

## Do I need a provisional ballot?

If your eligibility to vote can't be determined you have the right to request a provisional ballot.

To obtain a provisional ballot, go to your county elections office in person and fill out a Provisional Ballot Request Form.

Your provisional ballot will only be counted if you are determined to be eligible to vote.

## How do I file a complaint?

If you believe Oregon election law has been violated, and are an Oregon registered voter, you can ask the Elections Division to investigate. Anonymous requests will not be investigated.

You can find more information and submit a complaint for Elections Division investigation at [sos.oregon.gov/investigation](https://sos.oregon.gov/investigation).

# Know Your Rights

## Your rights as an Oregon Voter include:

- the right to **access official ballot boxes and election offices** without interference
- the right to **keep your vote private**
- the right to **vote without intimidation or threats**

## Voter Intimidation may include:

- **Aggressive or harassing questions** about whether you are qualified to vote intended to interfere with your right to vote, scare you into voting a certain way or to intimidate you from voting, such as questions about your citizenship status, criminal record, residency, other personal information, or questions about how you intend to vote.
- **False or misleading statements or accusations** about voter fraud or related criminal penalties, designed to frighten you away from voting.
- **Verbal or physical threats** – express or implied – meant to stop you from voting or to force you to vote for a particular candidate or measure.
- **Purposefully obstructing or interfering** with your ability to vote.
- **Targeted surveillance** of specific voters or groups of voters, such as following or tracking voters, copying license plates, taking videos or photos, etc., with the intent to dissuade or obstruct them from voting.

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For accurate information about voting, or to report voter intimidation



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*for the hearing impaired*

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## Oregon



### **View unofficial election results**

starting at 8 pm on May 19

Unofficial results will continue to be updated through election night and the days following.

Between election night and the date the election results are certified, the unofficial results will change as vote counting continues.

Final certified results will be available June 25.



**[results.oregonvotes.gov](https://results.oregonvotes.gov)**



# Voters with Disabilities

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For more detailed information on accessible voting contact **your county elections office.**

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## What are the different ways I can vote?

→ **Accessible format ballot**

You mark this ballot using a computer with assistive technology, print and return it. You may also use the accessible tablets or computer stations located in every county elections office.

→ **Large print ballot**

→ **Ask for help**

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## Who can help me vote my ballot?

→ **Anyone except your employer or union**

You can get help from a friend, family member or other trusted person. Under Oregon law you cannot receive help from your employer or union.

→ **County Voting Assistance Team**

You do not have to ask for help from someone you know. County Voting Assistance Teams are available to help you vote your ballot privately and independently.

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## What if I cannot sign my ballot return envelope?

→ **You may use a signature stamp or other indicator as your signature**

You must complete a signature stamp attestation form along with a voter registration card before using the stamp or mark to sign your ballot envelope.

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## What other accessible resources are available?

→ **Statewide Voters' Pamphlet**

Available in digital audio or accessible text at [oregonvotes.gov](https://oregonvotes.gov).

## Know Your Rights

# You have the right to **vote!**

If you are a US citizen, live in Oregon, are 18 years old, and have registered to vote.

- **You have the right** to a secret vote. You do not have to tell anyone how you voted.
- **You have the right** to get a “provisional ballot”, even if you are told you are not registered to vote.
- **You have the right** to get a new ballot if you make a mistake.
- **You have the right** to vote for the person you want. You can write in someone else’s name if you don’t like the choices on your ballot.
- **You have the right** to vote “yes” or “no” on any issue on your ballot.
- **You have the right** to leave some choices blank on your ballot. The choices you do mark will still count.
- **You have the right** to use a voting system for all Federal Elections that makes it equally possible for people with disabilities to vote privately and independently.
- **You have the right** to know if your ballot, including a “provisional ballot”, was accepted for counting.
- **You have the right** to file a complaint if you think your voting rights have been denied.
- **You have the right** to vote or cast your ballot if you are in line by 8 pm on Election Day.
- **You have the right** to know if you are registered to vote.
- **You have the right** to choose whether or not you want to register as a member of a political party.
- **You have the right** to use a signature stamp or other mark but first you have to fill out a form. No one can sign for you.
- **You have the right** to ask for help from elections staff or from a friend or family member. There are some people who cannot help you vote, for example, your employer or union.
- **You have the right** to vote if you are houseless.
- **You have the right** to vote if you have been convicted of a felony but have been released from custody, even if you are on probation or parole.
- **You have the right** to vote if you have a guardian and if you need help reading or filling out your ballot.

for more information



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## Candidates

Oregon statute (ORS 254.155) requires the Secretary of State to complete a random order of the letters of the alphabet to determine the order in which the names of the candidates will appear on the ballot.

The alphabet for the **2026 Primary Election** is:

G, A, K, I, O, B, C, H, D, V, M, N, P, L, J, X, Z, S, R, E, W, F, Q, Y, U, T

Candidate statements included in the pamphlet are separated by office type and position and are further arranged in the same random order in which the names of candidates will be printed on the ballot. In the Primary Election pamphlet, partisan candidates are further separated by political parties.

Statements are arranged in the following manner:

- Democratic candidates by position, in ballot order
- Republican candidates, by position, in ballot order
- nonpartisan candidates by position, in ballot order

Candidates pay a fee or submit signatures in lieu of paying the fee for space in the State Voters' Pamphlet. The information required by law—pertaining to occupation, occupational background, educational background and prior governmental experience—has been certified as true by each candidate.

## Duties and Responsibilities of Precinct Committeepersons

Precinct Committeepersons (PCPs) encourage voter registration, vote on official party business, elect county party leadership and nominate State Representatives or State Senators when there is a vacancy in one of those offices.

PCPs are only permitted for major political parties. The Democratic Party of Oregon and the Oregon Republican Party have both chosen to elect PCPs.

Each precinct is allotted a number of PCPs based on the count of registered voters in the precinct. Individuals can only file for (or serve in) one precinct at a time. However, PCP candidates can choose whether they want to file to serve in the precinct they live in or an adjoining precinct in the same county or a precinct that is in the same county and the same state representative district as the precinct the candidate resides in.

Find more information at [oregonvotes.gov](https://oregonvotes.gov)

## Measures

Measures are proposed changes to the Oregon Constitution or to state laws. For the measures in this Voters' Pamphlet, you will find the following information:

1. the ballot title
2. the estimate of financial impact;
3. the complete text of the proposed measure;
4. the explanatory statement; and
5. arguments filed by proponents and opponents of the measure.

### Ballot Title

The ballot title is drafted by the Attorney General's office and distributed to interested parties for public comment. After review of any comments submitted, a ballot title is certified by the Attorney General's office. This certified ballot title can be appealed and may be changed by the Oregon Supreme Court.

### Estimate of Financial Impact

A special committee of legislators drafted the Financial Impact Statement for Measure 120. Committee appointment pursuant to SB 1599 (2026).

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## Complete Text of the Measure

This provides you with the actual changes that will be made by the measures to the Oregon Constitution or to state laws.

## Explanatory Statement

A special committee of legislators drafted the explanatory statement for Measure 120. Committee appointment pursuant to SB 1599 (2026).

## Measure Arguments

Any person or organization may file arguments in favor of, or in opposition to a measure on the ballot by purchasing space for \$1,200 or by submitting a petition signed by 500 voters. Arguments in favor of a measure appear first, followed by arguments in opposition to the measure, and are printed in a random order within each category.

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## Disclaimer

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**Democrat****US Senator**

Jeff Merkley  
Paul Damian Wells

**US Representative****2nd District**

Chris Beck  
Mary Doyle  
Rebecca Mueller  
Patty Snow  
Dawn Rasmussen  
Peter Quince

**3rd District**

Andrew Castilleja\*  
Maxine E Dexter  
Jessica Salas\*

**5th District**

Janelle S Bynum  
Zeva Rosenbaum

**6th District**

Andrea Salinas

**Governor**

Forest (Fora) Alexander\*  
James Atkinson IV\*  
Cal Kishawi\*  
Tina Kotek  
Donnie M Beckwith\*  
David W Beem\*  
Steve William Laible\*  
Brittany Jones\*  
Tristan Sheppard\*  
Miranda Weigler\*

**State Senator****13th District**

Courtney Neron Misslin

**19th District**

Rob Wagner

**20th District**

Mark Meek

**24th District**

Kayse Jama

**26th District**

Nicole Bassett  
Matthew Favro\*

**State Representative****18th District**

No Candidate Filed

**26th District**

Sue R Rieke Smith

**37th District**

Jules Walters

**38th District**

Daniel Loc Nguyen  
John (Waz) Wasielewski

**39th District**

April Dobson

**40th District**

Charles Gallia  
Michael W Sugar

**41st District**

Mark Gamba  
Priyesh Krishnan\*

**48th District**

Lamar Wise

**51st District**

Darla Mead  
Joseph Richards

**52nd District**

David Osborn  
Hank Sanders  
Bernard R Seeger  
Nick Walden Poulblon

**57th District**

No Candidate Filed

**Republican****US Senator**

Brent Barker  
Deborah C Brown\*  
David A Burch\*  
Russell McAlmond  
Jo Rae Perkins  
Timothy Skelton\*  
David Brock Smith

**US Representative****2nd District**

Cliff Bentz  
Andrea Carr\*  
Peter J Larson

**3rd District**

Loran Ayles\*

**5th District**

Patti Adair  
Jonathan Lockwood

**6th District**

David Russ

**Governor**

Danielle Bethell  
Hope A Dalrymple\*  
Ed Diehl  
Christine Drazan  
Chris Dudley  
Kyle M Duyck  
David Medina  
Robert Neuman\*  
Brad T Peters  
Paul J Romero Jr  
Wen Waddell\*  
Martin Ward  
Tim O Youker\*  
DeAngelo Leroy Turner\*

**State Senator****13th District**

Glenn Lancaster

**19th District**

Mary Dirksen

**20th District**

Michele Stroh

**24th District**

No Candidate Filed

**26th District**

Jeff Helfrich

**\*Candidate chose not to submit a voters' pamphlet statement.**

This is a complete listing of federal and state candidates filed for the May 19, 2026, Primary Election, as prepared by the Secretary of State for counties covered in this pamphlet. County and local government candidates are listed only if those offices are eligible to appear in this pamphlet. The ballot you receive may include additional local candidates and measures that do not appear in this pamphlet.

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**State Representative****18th District**

Matthew S Lawson\*  
 Bryan Starr  
 Amanda Staehely  
 Joseph Steinger  
 Ben Fisher

**26th District**

Stephanie Carkin

**37th District**

Chad Parker

**38th District**

No Candidate Filed

**39th District**

No Candidate Filed

**40th District**

Adam Baker  
 Sue Leslie

**41st District**

Elvis Clark\*

**48th District**

Andrew Morrison

**51st District**

Matt Bunch  
 Dana Hindman-Allen

**52nd District**

Scott C Hege  
 Darcy Lapiere  
 Robert M Fleming\*

**57th District**

Jim E Doherty  
 Greg Smith

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**Nonpartisan****Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries**

Chris Lynch  
 Christina E Stephenson

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**Judge of the Supreme Court****Position 4**

Christopher L Garrett

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**Judge of the Court of Appeals****Position 1**

Ryan T O'Connor

**Position 9**

Jacqueline Kamins

**Position 12**

Erin C Lagesen

**Position 13**

Doug Tookey

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**Judge of the Circuit Court****5th District, Position 13**

Michelle S Bartov  
 Thomas J Belesiu  
 Paul Neese

**5th District, Position 6**

Colleen F Gilmartin

**5th District, Position 8**

Heather L Karabeika\*

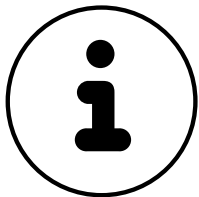
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Cierra D Brown

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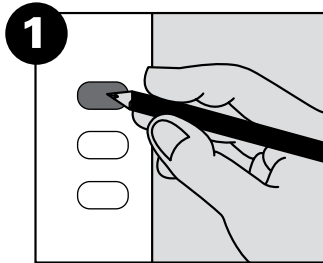
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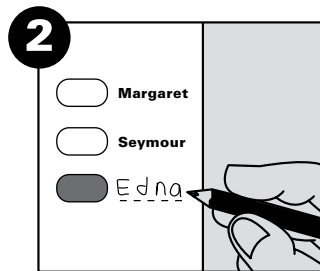
# Ballot Instructions

## Complete your ballot

Carefully read and follow all instructions printed on your ballot.



To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice.



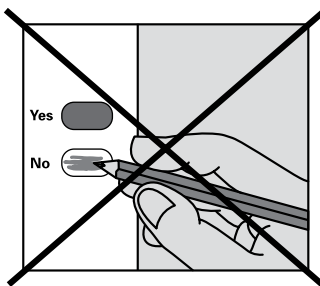
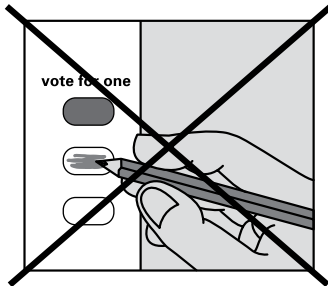
To write-in a candidate:

→ Clearly print the candidate's name on the blank line provided on the ballot  
**-and-**

→ Fill in the oval next to the name you wrote-in

## Check for errors

You do not have to vote on all contests. Those you do vote on will still count.



If you vote for more than one option, your vote **will not count** for that candidate or measure.

## ! Check your ballot carefully

You can not change your vote after you have returned your ballot.

If you need a replacement ballot, contact your County Elections Office. Contact information can be found on page 6.

**US Senator**

## Jeff Merkley

Democrat

**Occupation:** U.S. Senator for Oregon

**Occupational Background:** Habitat for Humanity; National Security Analyst; Small Business Founder

**Educational Background:** David Douglas High School; B.A., Int'l Affairs; Masters in Public Policy

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative; Oregon House Speaker

Jeff is the son of a union mechanic, attended public schools, was the first in his family to go to college, and lives in the same blue-collar neighborhood he grew up in.

**Jeff's vision:** "Families thrive, and the rich pay their fair share."

But the mega wealthy are making that vision harder to achieve. The people have the ballot box, but billionaires have lawyers and lobbyists, media campaigns, and unlimited secret campaign donations. And they have Trump, who is building a strong-man state with the mission of "families lose, billionaires win."

**There has never been a more important moment to fight back.**

**End Trump's strongman state:** No more ICE agents operating as secret police; no more operations at schools and warrantless home raids. Full accountability for every civil rights violation.

**End political corruption:** No more stock trading; no more exchanging government favors for investments in Trump's companies. The Supreme Court needs reform and a binding code of ethics.

**Save our elections:** Stop gerrymandering. Require paper ballots. End secret campaign funding. Expand vote-by-mail for all. Block Trump's election rigging.

**Strengthen the foundations for families to thrive:** Housing. Health care. Education. Good-paying jobs! Stop drug companies from price gouging. Ban hedge funds from buying single-family homes. Create affordable daycare and debt-free opportunities for trade school and college.

**Meet the climate chaos challenge:** Rapidly transition from dirty, expensive fossils to cheaper, cleaner, renewables.

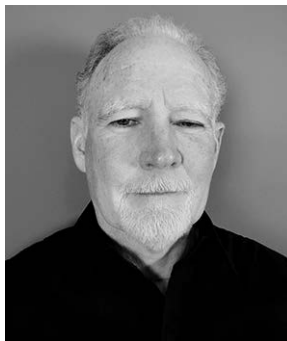
**Create opportunity across Oregon:** Jeff holds a town hall in every county, every year and champions every corner of Oregon: rural broadband; clean water; and investments in mental health, schools, ports, transportation, agriculture, and mills.

**Endorsements:** OR Labor Federation, AFL-CIO; Planned Parenthood Action Fund; Oregon League of Conservation Voters; and others.

**Let's Save Our Republic!**

[jeffmerkley.com](http://jeffmerkley.com)

*(This information furnished by Jeff Merkley for Oregon.)*

**US Senator**

## Paul Damian Wells

Democrat

**Occupation:** Retired

**Occupational Background:** Electrical Engineer

**Educational Background:** BSEE Purdue 1984

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Voting Rights Advocate since 1992

**Zionism is Racism.**

The sectarian violence in Palestine won't end until the original crime is addressed. Not all Jews are Zionists, and incredibly, not all Zionists are Jews. (or Republican)

**Since 2016, the Democrat Party has been collapsing.**

**Trump didn't win in 2016 or 2024. Democrats lost.**

Hate mongering is no substitute for leadership. I'm a working-class independent voter. We need federal legislation to counter the consolidation of power, wealth and influence by corporate oligarchs. (corporate fascism)

**Corporations don't have any civil rights. Corporations aren't persons.**

Corporations are artificial entities, created by statute, not constitutional provision. Congress can regulate, limit and even abolish them at will. The bipartisan system fails when corporate syndicates "own" both parties.

**A tariff is a sales tax that victimizes working-class families.**

Tax corporate profiteering instead. Only those corporations that create and preserve jobs should be allowed to keep their profits.

**Are Democrats defending or assaulting democracy?**

In June of 2025, support for the Independent Party (IPO) passed the 5% voter registration threshold needed to create a primary election for independents. In July of 2025, bipartisan elections were preserved when governor Kotek signed HB3908-2025. Raising the threshold to 10%.

Meanwhile, HB3166-2025 would have replaced bipartisan elections with a "unified" primary election. All candidates and voters participate equally. Five candidates advance. It died in a Democrat controlled committee.

The "Lincoln Primary" is a "unified" tracking poll for the U.S. Presidential race. Lasting from February 1st through August 31st. All candidates and voters participate equally. Five candidates advance. ([lincolnprimary.org](http://lincolnprimary.org))

**Democrats reject free and equal elections. Voters reject Democrats.**

Bipartisan elections force "voting for the lesser of two evils" and enable corporate fascism. By advancing just two candidates, "Top Two" primaries preserve bipartisan elections.

*(This information furnished by Paul Damian Wells.)*

**US Representative, 2nd District****Chris Beck**

Democrat

**Occupation:** Organization for Society and Cooperation in Europe, international elections observer, volunteer.

**Occupational Background:** USDA Rural Policy Advisor, Obama

Administration, (2010-2016); State Representative (1997-2003); Trust for Public Land, conservation professional (1990-2004).

**Educational Background:** Brown University, BA; Kennedy School of Government, Harvard, MPA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** USDA Rural Policy Advisor, Obama Administration; Oregon State Representative; Oregon Senate Clerk and Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee staff; City of Portland, Transportation Advisor.

**Community Service:** Henry Richmond Land Use Defense Fund, Trustee; Friends of the Columbia Gorge, Board Member; Hatfield School of Government, Consultant; championed establishment of Oregon Cultural Trust; led efforts to secure stable funding for Oregon State Parks

**Chris Beck Supports:**

- Stable funding for rural hospitals and emergency services.
- A thriving farm economy and local ownership.
- Building Main Street housing instead of wasteful sprawl.
- Protecting Oregon's wildlands, rivers, forests, and public lands.
- Universal Vote by Mail.
- Safeguarding Social Security, Medicare, and the Affordable Care Act.

**Join Us!**

"Chris has the experience to work across party lines and thread the needle getting Congress to do its job—on health care reform, rural economic sustainability, and enriching our daily lives."

**Dr. John Kitzhaber, former Oregon governor and architect of the Oregon Health Plan**

"As a native son who came of age in rural Oregon, Chris understands the impacts of climate change on our ranches, farms and forests. We need his voice in Washington."

**James Monteith, conservation leader, Wallowa County**

"I witnessed Chris advocate for the disenfranchised and repeatedly stand up to bullies as a state representative. That, plus three decades of working together to get Democrats elected, is how he earned my support and my vote."

**Cathy Shaw, former Mayor of Ashland (1989-2000) and author.**

"Through inaction, Congress is ceding its power, condoning the invasion of American cities, and allowing the administration to demonize wide swaths of the U.S. population. America is strongest when we work together. It's up to us. I ask for your vote."

**Chris Beck**

**[ChrisBeckforCongress.com](http://ChrisBeckforCongress.com)**

*(This information furnished by Chris Beck.)*

**US Representative, 2nd District****Mary Doyle**

Democrat

**Occupation:** Public School Teacher

**Occupational Background:** Athletic Director, Union Leader, Ski Patrol

**Educational Background:**

Eastern Oregon University (Masters); Portland State University (B.A. in International Studies; Economics minor)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** U.S. Forest Service Employee

**The cost of living is rising. Safety net programs like Medicaid are being gutted. Our president is attempting to undermine the integrity of our elections while deploying ICE to occupy U.S. cities. Many believe this to be the most consequential mid-term election in U.S. history.**

**I'm Mary Doyle, and I'm running for Congress because we deserve better. As your representative, I promise to fight for working families, defend the Constitution, and deliver solutions for rural Oregonians. To defeat Cliff Bentz, we are building a grassroots coalition and pursuing a policy platform that speaks to the lived experiences of people in our district.**

**My Priorities:**

- **Protecting Democracy.** Protecting election integrity is top priority. I pledge to file legal challenges to any improper election interference in our district. Once in office, I promise to champion an amendment to the Constitution that reduces the corrupting influence of money in politics.
- **Rural Economic Strength.** Invest in infrastructure, support family farms and small businesses.
- **Fair Tax Policy.** Working class and middle class families should not have a higher effective tax rate than billionaires and multinational corporations. We must revise our tax code to ensure that the rich pay their fair share.
- **Healthcare for All.** In an affluent country like ours, access to life-saving healthcare is a basic right that should be available to all citizens, regardless of income.
- **Accountability in Government.** If nobody is above the law, it is our duty to impeach and remove politicians who break the law.
- **Keep Public Lands in Public Hands.** While Cliff Bentz supports the sale of our public lands to private interests, I will fight to retain public ownership and promote responsible management.

Visit [www.MaryDoyleForCongress.com](http://www.MaryDoyleForCongress.com) to learn more about our coalition and its policy agenda.

*(This information furnished by Mary Doyle For Congress.)*

**US Representative, 2nd District**



**Rebecca Mueller**

Democrat

**Occupation:** Pediatrician

**Occupational Background:** Rural Pediatrician; Hospital Leadership x 4 years

**Educational Background:** MD/ MPH University of Iowa; BS

Cedarville University, Minors: Biblical Studies & Spanish

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Southern Oregon ESD Board; County Board of Health

Our democracy is facing its biggest threat in 100 years: an authoritarian president, a complacent congress, & a loss of the balance of powers. **But countering Trump is not enough.**

For 30+ years, government in Washington has been stuck in partisan gridlock & corrupted by money. While politicians make promises & blame their opponents, Americans are hurting. Rather than focusing on scotch-tape fixes, Democrats need **a new vision for the future.**

To win in our district – where Democrats average 35% of votes in the general election—our candidate needs to assure thousands of non-affiliated voters & Republicans that she will focus, not on retribution, but on **prioritizing & solving problems that unite us all.**

I AM THAT CANDIDATE.

As a rural pediatrician I have worked & led in rural hospitals for 15 years. Daily, I **build trust** with people across roles, experiences, & politics, including those who reject traditional medicine. I **collaborate** with my patients, acknowledging their commitment to their children & **empowering** them to see their strengths, even as politicians shame them for relying on government programs for food & healthcare. The struggles of my patients & their families, echoed across the district, compels me to advocate for:

1. **Strong rural economies** supported by locally-owned farms, ranches, & industries that offer family wages, benefits & growth opportunities.
2. **Medicare-for-all.** While we continue to argue about who pays, our infrastructure & workforce shrink, and rural communities suffer.
3. **Thriving public lands & healthy water, air, soil & energy systems,** where locals benefit from our investments in renewable energy, and innovation & stewardship balance the needs of resource utilization & conservation.
4. **A functioning, future-ready government,** that leads globally in science, human rights, & diplomacy.

Endorsement:

Tonya Graham, Ashland Mayor

[www.MuellerMoreThanThis.com](http://www.MuellerMoreThanThis.com).

*(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Rebecca Mueller.)*

**US Representative, 2nd District**



**Patty Snow**

Democrat

**Occupation:** Retired Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** Owner, OsteoStrong franchise; Director of International Office Services, Whittman-Hart; Marketing

Coordinator, Activision; Hospitality Management, Hotel Bel Air and Beachfront Inn

**Educational Background:** University of Idaho, BFA (1985)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None. I am an Oregonian and American citizen who knows our country can do better.

**MY FIGHT**

- **I will work to ensure everyone has access to affordable healthcare and housing** by supporting legislation that disbands corporate control over these areas and demands cost transparency. We must end big businesses getting richer while American citizens suffer.
- **I will support educational funding** so anyone wanting to improve themselves and their community can do so without going into life-long debt.
- **I will vote to reinstate environmental protections and hold corporations accountable for damage they create** so you can have clean air to breathe, safe water to drink and a healthy wilderness to enjoy.
- **I will fight for your rights and won't stop until ALL people are treated equally under the law** and afforded the same rights over their bodies, their relationships, their personal identification and their religious beliefs.
- **I will demand government transparency and legislate accountability** for any elected official not abiding by U.S. laws.
- **I will introduce legislation to create term limits for Congress** to prevent PACs and lobbyists from buying life-long government support and encourage the next generation to bring their ideas and perspectives in government.
- **I will author reformation of the Supreme Court** to increase the number of judges to 12, change the way justices are nominated and confirmed and impose term limits.

**MY PROMISE**

- **I will listen** to the concerns of the people in my district and not hide from your frustrations. You will always know your voice is being heard!
- **I will always put the needs of the people first;** not corporations or powerful donors.

**My fight is for YOU, and I appreciate your support.**

*(This information furnished by Patty Snow.)*

**US Representative, 2nd District**

## Dawn Rasmussen

Democrat

**Occupation:** Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** President, Pathfinder Writing and Career Services; workforce and career development

**Educational Background:** Pacific

University, BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Former Board Member, North Wasco County School District #21 and Former Board Member, Fort Dalles Museum

### A NEW DAWN FOR OREGON'S SECOND DISTRICT

I'm a small business owner in The Dalles—not a career politician. Through my business, I've helped people build careers and stronger futures.

I'm also a former school board member who worked to strengthen local schools.

I'm running for Congress because our district deserves a representative who shows up, does the work, and delivers for our communities.

Through my work in Oregon's tourism industry, I've traveled every corner of this state—including this district. During this campaign I've driven over 6,000 miles meeting farmers, ranchers, and working families.

Everywhere I go, I hear the same message: D.C. isn't delivering for rural Oregon.

This district is too important to represent from a distance.

That needs to change.

#### Lower Everyday Costs

Families and small businesses feel the pressure of rising prices. I support local businesses and policies that keep money in our communities and bring down costs.

#### Protect Farms, Ranches, and Water

Agriculture is the backbone of our district. I will fight for fair markets, responsible water management, and wildfire resilience so family farms and ranches can thrive.

#### Defend Rural Healthcare

Hospital closures and provider shortages threaten rural communities. I support protecting Medicare and expanding access to healthcare, mental health services, and addiction treatment.

My promise is simple:

I will show up, do the work, and bring resources home.

#### Endorsed by:

Kara Davis, Wasco County District Attorney

Scott West, Echo Rancher

Oregon Building Trades Coalition

Oregon Working Families Party

Nick Walden Poulton, HD52 Candidate, Educator

Darcy Long, former council member, The Dalles

Scott Skellenger, Last Stop Ranch

Kim Morgan, CGCC Board Director-Wasco County and Past President OCCA Board

Harriet Isom, Retired U.S. Foreign Service Officer

[www.dawnrasmussenforcongress.com](http://www.dawnrasmussenforcongress.com)

*(This information furnished by Dawn Rasmussen for Congress.)*

**US Representative, 2nd District**

## Peter Quince

Democrat

**Occupation:** Retired

**Occupational Background:** Technical Writer

**Educational Background:** Grinnell College(BA), Columbia University(graduate program)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** n/a

Let me say up front: I'm a total nerd and policy wonk - a 34-year Oregon resident, former small business owner/technical writer. I helped create an online education company where I wrote numerous classes on federal and state laws and regulations that govern taxes, mortgage lending & banking, commerce, insurance, etc. Did I say I was a nerd? I did my graduate work in Economics/International Relations at Columbia.

My first job was for a Member of Congress while my mother was his congressional-aide. That experience gave me an appreciation for constituent service – the painstaking work of advocating w/the government for everyone in my district, regardless of how they voted. Listening to and working with Republicans and Independents along w/Democrats is just who I am. I grew up in a tradition of Tikkun-Olam (heal the world). My first political campaign was LBJ's - I was just a little kid handing out flyers in a mostly Republican area. The difference between then and now; we all cared for and about each other. There were no hard partisan lines.

Now, we're in troubled times. These United States of America, our very experiment in democracy, is in jeopardy. In response, throughout the nation, average folks have stepped up; organized protests; looked out for our neighbors. The energy's been amazing and inspiring. We know it's our peace, our persistence, and our essential American-ness that is our strength.

Now we have a unique opportunity to change the narrative for rural America. We have a chance to speak with the loudest voice of any district in America and declare: "We're here, we're proud, and we're ready to stand up for our rights as Americans."

I am asking for your vote:

[www.PQNOW.net](http://www.PQNOW.net)

Your Voice Matters.

"I stand with Peter because I am confident he will amplify **all the voices** of CD2."

-Alex Spenser (2020 Nominee CD2)

*(This information furnished by Peter Quince for Congress.)*

**US Representative, 3rd District**

# Maxine E Dexter

Democrat

**Occupation:** U.S. Representative

**Occupational Background:**  
Pulmonary/Critical Care Physician,  
Grocery Worker

**Educational Background:**  
University of Washington, B.A., M.D.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative

I grew up in a working-class family--with good public schools, reliable transit, union job, affordable housing and hard work--I was able to build a better life than my parents had. That is the American story we all deserve. The one I'm fighting to make possible for every Oregonian.

For over 20 years, my patients and my children have trusted me to listen and fight for them. In Congress, I've continued to do exactly that. In my 40+ town halls, I heard you want me to get things done--so I secured \$14M in federal funding for community-led projects, helped Oregonians recover millions they were owed by the federal government, fought to get fourteen neighbors released from ICE detention, and I am the first freshman House Democrat to pass a bill into law in this Congress!

I will continue fighting for:

- **Working families, not billionaires:** Good schools, union jobs, affordable housing and childcare. Every person should get to live in a safe and affordable community.
- **Healthcare for All:** High quality, accessible, comprehensive care that every person can afford. Keep politicians out of exam rooms and let science guide our care. Abortion, vaccinations and gender-affirming care are healthcare.
- **Justice:** Impeach Trump, dismantle ICE, release the Epstein files and get dark money out of politics.
- **Peace and a healthy planet:** No more wars. Increase foreign humanitarian aid. Rapidly expand pathways to legal immigration. Clean air and water. Hold data centers accountable for resource use. Invest in clean, cheap, renewable energy.
- **Democracy:** Protect voting rights, increase government accountability, end corruption, and defend our communities from authoritarian overreach.

**Supported by:**

*Planned Parenthood Action Fund*

*U.S. Senators Jeff Merkley & Ron Wyden*

*Governor Tina Kotek*

*Attorney General Dan Rayfield*

*OR Labor Federation, AFL-CIO*

*Portland Mayor Keith Wilson*

*Gresham Mayor Travis Stovall*

*Oregon League of Conservation Voters*

And more...

[www.MaxineforOregon.com](http://www.MaxineforOregon.com)

*(This information furnished by Maxine for Congress.)*

**US Representative, 5th District**

# Janelle S Bynum

Democrat

**Occupation:** U.S. Congresswoman

**Occupational Background:** Small Business Owner, Electrical Engineer

**Educational Background:** B.S., Florida A&M University; M.B.A.,

University of Michigan

**Prior Governmental Experience:** US Congress (2024-present), State Representative (2016-2024)

A mom of four and small businesswoman, Congresswoman Janelle Bynum understands the challenges facing hard-working families in Oregon's 5th Congressional District. She has an accomplished track record of fighting for lower costs, good paying jobs, and quality schools.

In Washington, Janelle understands the serious threat Trump poses to our rights and democracy and she has been a leader in the fight against his overreach and corruption. She has proven to be a work horse, not a show horse, cutting through partisanship to deliver greater opportunities for Oregonians to get ahead.

**Janelle is delivering on the issues that matter most for our families:**

- **A "K-30" platform to ensure hard work translates to opportunity** – Janelle is fighting for young Americans through bipartisan efforts aimed at improving education, creating jobs, and lowering the cost of housing.
- **Fighting for affordability** – Janelle is focused on lowering costs, from groceries to housing to healthcare, and pushing back against the Trump administration's efforts to gut the Affordable Care Act.
- **Standing up to Trump and ICE** – Janelle has been clear that she will not tolerate a federal takeover of our communities. She has fearlessly called out the administration's lies and called out Donald Trump's version of ICE for what it is: a collection of goons who are rounding up people based on the color of their skin and kidnapping them off the streets.

**Endorsed by:**

Planned Parenthood Action Fund

Oregon League of Conservation Voters

U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley

U.S. Senator Ron Wyden

[www.JanelleBynum.com](http://www.JanelleBynum.com)

*(This information furnished by Janelle Bynum for Congress.)*

**US Representative, 5th District**

# Zeva Rosenbaum

Democrat

**Occupation:** Communications Manager

**Occupational Background:** Communications; Journalism; Marketing; Public Relations

**Educational Background:** Oregon

State University (2024)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** N/A

**FOR THE PEOPLE, NOT FOR PROFIT**

I grew up in rural farmland, 30 minutes from the nearest grocery store. I'm an artist, a journalist, and a small business owner. I'm a working-class woman who put myself through college in the face of illness, full-time work, and the death of my mother.

Something is very wrong in our government; it is filled with leaders who prioritize their largest donors over the needs of their constituents. I will be the working-class representative who will do the work to set things right, even when others won't.

My policies will always benefit YOU, because I work for the people. That's why I'm rejecting money from corporate PACs and foreign lobbies, like AIPAC.

Help me fight back against a system that has forgotten a very important fact: the government works for The People.

**HOW I'LL FIGHT FOR OREGONIANS**

- Regulate Artificial Intelligence

While AI has important uses from medicine to automation, it also requires regulation to protect our privacy, our intellectual property, and our environment from the impact of data centers.

- Make America Affordable and Livable

The working class has been left to struggle while billionaires hoard wealth and resources. Americans deserve equal rights for all, including women, LGBTQIA+ and BIPOC communities. Americans also deserve the services that other developed nations get, like universal healthcare, free education, and fair taxes.

- Get Corruption Out of Government

We need to not only overturn Citizens United and get dark money out of elections, but also abolish ICE and fight for justice for everyone harmed by this administration.

- Protect Rural and Indigenous Communities

America's rural and Indigenous communities are often left to fend for themselves without adequate access to resources like medical care, high speed internet, public transportation, and more. Let's change that.

Endorsements: Democratic Party of Clackamas County; Courage for Democracy

[www.zevaforcongress.com](http://www.zevaforcongress.com)

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**US Representative, 6th District**



# Andrea Salinas

Democrat

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**Occupation:** U.S. Congresswoman

**Occupational Background:** Environmental, Health Care Advocate

**Educational Background:**

University of California, Berkeley, BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon State Representative, Oregon Complete Count Committee, PEBB Member, Oregon Commission on Hispanic Affairs

As the daughter of a Mexican immigrant who worked in the fields before serving in the military, Andrea knows that change can happen in a generation through hard work. Her family's story is the American dream, and she is running for Congress to defend that dream for future generations.

Andrea is ready to tackle the challenges facing us head on:

**Addressing the cost of living crisis** - From healthcare to housing, groceries to utility bills and child care, Andrea knows too many Oregonians are struggling with expenses. Instead of giving tax breaks to billionaires, she fought to secure federal funding for housing projects, voted to pass the Housing for the 21st Century Act, expanded access and affordability of mental health care, and supported tax relief to farmers and middle-class families.

**Fixing our immigration system** - Like most Americans, Andrea is horrified by the recent unconstitutional and violent overreach of ICE. She is focused on legislation to humanely secure our border, expand legal immigration pathways, and hold immigration enforcement agencies accountable.

**Defending our democracy and the rule of law** - The paramount responsibility of members of Congress is to defend American rights and freedoms. She is committed to protecting free speech and voting rights, fighting executive overreach, and expanding government transparency and citizen privacy.

**Fighting for reproductive freedom and LGBTQ+ rights** - Andrea will always fight to protect abortion access and LGBTQ+ rights. She helped pass the nation's strongest reproductive rights law in Oregon and has sponsored legislation in Congress to protect the LGBTQ+ community from discrimination.

Endorsed by:

Planned Parenthood Action Fund

Oregon League of Conservation Voters

Oregon Nurses Association

OR Labor Federation, AFL-CIO

Senator Ron Wyden

U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley

And more!

[AndreaSalinasForOregon.com](http://AndreaSalinasForOregon.com)

*(This information furnished by U.S. Congresswoman Andrea Salinas.)*

**Governor**

# Tina Kotek

Democrat

**Occupation:** Governor

**Occupational Background:** State Legislator, Children First for Oregon, Oregon Food Bank

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon, University of

Washington

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon State Representative 2007-2022, Speaker of the House 2013-2022

### Working for a Better Oregon

Tina started her career at Oregon Food Bank because she believes no one should go hungry. As Speaker of the House, she invested in Oregon's public schools, passed the nation's strongest abortion access law, put Oregon on a path to 100% clean electricity, and passed landmark laws to raise the minimum wage and guarantee paid sick leave and paid family leave.

Oregon faces huge challenges, from the rising cost of living to President Trump's attempts to threaten our communities and take away healthcare and food assistance.

### Tina Stands Up to Trump to Protect Oregonians

- She resisted Trump's illegal attempt to deploy the Oregon National Guard on our streets.
- When Trump tried to take away SNAP benefits from Oregon families, she fought back and won, delivering food assistance to hard-working Oregonians.
- Tina supports enforcing the law, but Trump's ICE has gone too far, putting all of us in danger. Tina fights to protect Oregonians and keep our communities safe.

**While Trump's tariff taxes raise prices, Tina is working to address the cost of living for Oregon families.** Tina canceled proposed freeway tolls, called for a three-year pause on new local taxes in the Portland area, took action to lower utility bills, increased access to affordable childcare, and made prescription drugs more affordable.

**There is a lot more work ahead. Tina is tireless, focused, and won't stop fighting for Oregon's future.**

### Endorsed by:

U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley  
 U.S. Senator Ron Wyden  
 Alliance for a Safe Oregon  
 Basic Rights Oregon PAC  
 North Coast States Carpenters Union  
 Oregon AFSCME  
 Oregon State Building & Construction Trades Council  
 OR Labor Federation, AFL-CIO  
 Oregon Nurses Association  
 Planned Parenthood Action Oregon  
 The Mother PAC

*(This information furnished by Friends of Tina Kotek.)*

**State Senator, 13th District**

## Courtney Neron Misslin

Democrat

**Occupation:** State Senator

**Occupational Background:** French/Spanish Teacher

**Educational Background:** Pacific Univ, MAT; Univ of Oregon, BA; Tigard High

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative (2019-2025), State Senator (2025-current)

*When it comes to defending our voting rights and our democracy, I won't back down. As your State Senator, I am pushing back against federal overreach and policies that benefit only the ultra-wealthy.*

*I'm focusing on the real problems Oregonians face, successfully advocating for consumer protections, immigrant family justice, community safety, and housing affordability. I'm dedicated to improving education, preventing gun violence, protecting our natural resources, and ensuring healthcare for all.*

**Safeguarding access to care and services is essential to well-being.**

I will keep fighting for what Oregonians need to stabilize and thrive, including:

- Comprehensive reproductive healthcare and patient-provider privacy
- Access to affordable childcare
- Lower prescription drug costs
- Disability services and caregiving workforce needs
- Tenant protections, food assistance, and homeless services
- Addiction treatment

**Preparing students for the jobs of tomorrow requires investment in strong schools.**

I am committed to fully funding our education system and prioritizing:

- Special education reforms and funding
- Safety for students and school staff
- Retaining great teachers
- Affordable higher education
- Apprenticeships pathways to family-wage jobs

**Everyone deserves a safe and affordable place to call home.**

I'm standing up for our communities and delivering results for our district:

- \$3 million for Tigard's Police and Public Works facility
- \$4 million for the Sherwood Pedestrian Bridge
- \$1 million for local broadband infrastructure
- \$1 million for I-5 Bridge improvements in Wilsonville
- \$3 million for sewer lines to support local housing

*"Courtney brings the perspective of an educator and parent, listening to our communities and championing Oregon's children and future."*

—Maureen Wolf, Tigard City Council President and Former Tigard-Tualatin School Board Chair

**We Stand with Courtney**

Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
Sierra Club Oregon

North Coast States Carpenters Union

Oregon Nurses Association

Basic Rights Oregon PAC

Humane Voters Oregon

U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley

U.S. Congresswoman Andrea Salinas

**(more at [www.CourtneyForOregon.com](http://www.CourtneyForOregon.com))**

*(This information furnished by Friends of Courtney Neron.)*

**State Senator, 19th District**

## Rob Wagner

Democrat

**Occupation:** President of the Oregon Senate

**Occupational Background:** Portland Community College (Associate Vice President), American Federation of Teachers-

Oregon (Legislative Affairs Director)

**Educational Background:** George Washington University (MA), Portland State University (BA), Lake Oswego High School

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Senator, Lake Oswego School Board

**Our State, Our Future**

Having grown up in Lake Oswego and raised my four kids here, the future of Oregon is personal for me. As your State Senator, I have prioritized the things that are most important to our community: education, workforce training, the environment, health care, public safety, housing and quality of life.

**Defending our Environment**

I strongly support defending our environment and natural resources as we face the reality of a changing climate. That's why I'm proud to have passed new, permanent ongoing funding for conservation and made sure data centers pay their fair share of energy costs.

**Access to Health Care**

Protecting reproductive freedom in Oregon will continue to be a priority for me. When Republicans in Congress singled out Planned Parenthood for cuts to preventive health care services like screenings, we responded and made sure those services will still have funding.

**Investing in Oregon**

We've balanced the budget while protecting funding for health care, K-12 and higher education, and public safety. Additionally, we've made strategic investments in every corner of Oregon to boost economic development.

**Pushing Back on Federal Overreach**

Supporting our immigrant and refugee neighbors is as important now as ever. That's why I've been strongly supportive of new laws that will make a real impact in ensuring the Constitutional rights of all Oregonians are protected.

**Endorsements include:**

U.S. Senator Ron Wyden

U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley

Governor Tina Kotek

Attorney General Dan Rayfield

Clackamas County Chair Craig Roberts

Lake Oswego Mayor Joe Buck

West Linn Mayor Rory Bialostosky

Oregon State Fire Fighters Council

Portland Metro Chamber

Oregon Nurses Association

Basic Rights Oregon PAC

Oregon Labor Federation, AFL-CIO

[robwagnerfororegon.com](http://robwagnerfororegon.com)

*(This information furnished by Rob Wagner.)*

**State Senator, 20th District****Mark Meek**

Democrat

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner; State Senator**Occupational Background:** Owner, Avid Real Estate Executives, LLC**Educational Background:** B.S.

Management/CIS - Park College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon House of Representatives; Clackamas County Planning Commission; Clackamas County Economic Development Commission; Oregon Public Lands Advisory Committee**Military Experience:** Staff Sergeant (Security Police), U.S. Air Force (1983-1990)**Senator Mark Meek is a father, veteran, and small business owner who is dedicated to serving our community.** From coaching local youth sports, to serving our country in the Air Force, to making a difference for families as our State Senator - Mark is rooted in service to others.**Lowering Costs for Families and Seniors**Mark understands the struggles facing Oregon families because he experienced them growing up. That's why he's working to lower costs and make life more affordable. As our Senator, **Mark successfully ended ODOT's plans to toll I-205, passed Oregon's Child Tax Credit, invested in education, and protected the Oregon Health Plan** for over one million Oregonians.**Defending the Rights of Oregonians**As a military veteran who served our country, Mark is committed to protecting the civil rights of everyone who calls Oregon home. He has passed legislation to **hold ICE accountable** and will push back **against federal overreach.****An Independent Voice for All of Us**Mark is dedicated to serving his neighbors and the families of our community with heart and integrity. He helped pass **major campaign finance reform to take big money out of politics** and make government more accountable.**Proudly Endorsed By:****U.S. Senator Ron Wyden & U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley  
Congresswoman Janelle Bynum & Congresswoman Maxine  
Dexter****State Representatives Annessa Hartman & April Dobson  
Clackamas County Chair Craig Roberts  
Clackamas County Sheriff Angela Brandenburg  
Oregon City Mayor Denyse McGriff  
Gladstone Mayor Michael Milch  
Happy Valley Mayor Tom Ellis  
Oregon Nurses Association  
Oregon State Fire Fighters Council  
Oregon Chiefs of Police Association  
North Clackamas Chamber of Commerce  
North Coast States Carpenters Union  
Democratic Party of Clackamas County****[www.VoteMarkMeek.com](http://www.VoteMarkMeek.com)***(This information furnished by Friends of Mark Meek.)***State Senator, 24th District****Kayse Jama**

Democrat

**Occupation:** State Senator**Occupational Background:** Nonprofit Leader**Educational Background:** Marylhurst University, B.A.**Prior Governmental Experience:** Senate Majority Leader; Chair, Senate Committee on Housing & Development; Oregon Commission on Black Affairs**Kayse Jama: Delivering Opportunity for All**

For more than twenty years, I've worked alongside East Portland and Clackamas County communities as an organizer, advocate, nonprofit leader, and now as your State Senator. I bring that experience to the legislature, delivering real results and expanding opportunity across Oregon.

**Delivering Results for Our Community**

- Invested millions in district housing and economic development initiatives
- Expanded access to free and low-cost childcare
- Fought to lower energy costs for Oregon families
- Protected our immigrant and refugee neighbors from federal overreach
- Stood with workers fighting for fair wages

**Lowering the Cost of Living**

Too often, our economy works better for wealthy corporations than for working families. I'm focused on lowering everyday costs, building more affordable housing, expanding access to healthcare, and investing in clean energy that preserves Oregon's environment.

**Protecting Our Communities**

Oregon should be a place where everyone can thrive. I will continue defending access to reproductive healthcare, protecting LGBTQ+ rights, and ensuring Oregon remains a welcoming home for immigrants and refugees.

**Strong Public Schools**

As the parent of two students in the David Douglas School District, I know great public schools are the foundation of healthy communities. I will keep fighting for classroom investment, support for educators, and opportunity for every student.

**It's an honor to represent our community, and I would be grateful to earn your vote.****Proudly endorsed by community leaders, labor organizations, and Democratic leaders, including:**Basic Rights Oregon PAC  
Democratic Party of Clackamas County  
North Coast States Carpenters Union  
Oregon Nurses Association  
OR Labor Federation, AFL-CIO  
Oregon State Fire Fighters Council  
Oregon Working Families Party  
U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley  
U.S. Senator Ron Wyden**Learn more at [www.kaysejama.com](http://www.kaysejama.com)***(This information furnished by Kayse Jama for Oregon.)*

**State Senator, 26th District**

# Nicole Bassett

Democrat

**Occupation:** Business owner, sustainability and circular economy leader (15+ years). Board member non-profits focused on reuse and zero waste.

**Occupational Background:**

Co-Founder and CEO, The Renewal Workshop, Cascade Locks, OR. Past roles at Patagonia, prAna, and Specialized.

**Educational Background:** Masters Environmental Studies and Business, York University BA Women's Studies and Film, Simon Fraser University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

I'm running for Senate District 26 because I love this place and I believe in its future. But too many of our families and communities are facing real challenges. The systems that should be helping are not keeping up. We can do better.

I have spent twenty years building businesses and changing systems from the inside. I helped bring Fair Trade to the apparel industry so garment workers earn a living wage. I co-founded a company in Cascade Locks that created local jobs by giving apparel a second life. That is the work I can do for our district - find where systems are struggling and build something better.

My priorities include:

**BUILDING AN ECONOMY THAT WORKS FOR ALL**

- A plan to bring good-paying, local jobs to our district, including vocational training
- Taking on the corporate consolidation and policies driving up rent, groceries, and prescriptions
- Supporting small businesses and local entrepreneurs

**TACKLING THE CLIMATE CRISIS**

- Prioritizing wildfire prevention and emergency preparedness
- Protecting our water resources
- Investing in renewable energy, efficiency, recycling

**KEEPING RURAL COMMUNITIES LIVABLE**

- Protecting our land use laws and supporting local farmers, orchardists, nurseries
- Advocating for affordable housing, transportation, quality rural health care
- Fighting for well-funded schools

"Nicole is the best person to represent our communities. Her history of entrepreneurship, sustainable development, and community leadership show me she's got what it takes to be a leader for us in Salem." — Anna Williams, Former HD52 Rep

Endorsed by Oregon League of Conservation Voters, Hood River County Democrats, Jen Bayer (Hood River County Library Foundation), Raz Mason (Former SD26 Candidate 2022), Anna Williams

More at [www.bassettforeregon.com](http://www.bassettforeregon.com)

*(This information furnished by Bassett for Oregon.)*



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- replacement ballots
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Elections  
Office.**

**State Representative, 26th District**

## Sue R Rieke Smith

Democrat

**Occupation:** State Representative House District 26

**Occupational Background:** Nurse. Teacher, Superintendent

**Educational Background:** BS, Nursing; MA Teaching; Doctorate in

Education Policy

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Educators Benefits Board; Educator Advancement Council.

Sue Rieke Smith began her career in nursing, caring for patients and working closely with communities most impacted by poverty and health disparities. As a nurse, she also helped lead efforts to unionize her workplace, fighting for fair wages and safe working conditions for healthcare workers and better care for patients. She later spent more than 25 years in public education, including serving as superintendent in multiple school districts. In these roles, Sue worked alongside teachers, families, and community leaders to improve student outcomes, strengthen neighborhood schools, and ensure every child had access to opportunity.

In the legislature, Sue is committed to being an:

### EDUCATION CHAMPION

Strengthening public education and supporting students, educators, and families

### WORKING FAMILIES CHAMPION

Supporting legislation to ensure working families are a priority in Oregon

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CHAMPION

Supporting small businesses and local economic development

### AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE CHAMPION

Expanding access to affordable healthcare and behavioral health services

### **SUPPORT**

Congresswoman Andrea Salinas  
U.S. Senator Ron Wyden, U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley  
Senators Courtney Neron Misslin, Janeen Sollman  
Representatives Ben Bowman, Lamar Wise, Daniel Nguyen, Hai Pham, Rob Nosse  
Mayor Shawn O'Neil, Mayor of Wilsonville, Yi-Kang Hu, Mayor of Tigard  
City Council Members Maureen Wolf, Jake Schlack, Ashley Hartmeier- Prigg.  
Washington County DA Kevin Barton, Becky Tymchuk  
Past President Oregon School Board Association Betty Reynolds,  
Past Tigard Tualatin School Board Director Karen Emerson  
East County Dems Carol Greenough

### **ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT**

Oregon AFSCME  
OR Labor Federation, AFL-CIO  
Ironworkers Local 29  
North Coast States Carpenters Union  
Oregon State Fire Fighters Council  
UA Local 290  
Democratic Party of Clackamas County

[votesueriekesmith.com](http://votesueriekesmith.com)

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Sue Rieke Smith.)

**State Representative, 37th District**

## Jules Walters

Democrat

**Occupation:** State Representative, House District 37

**Occupational Background:** Small business owner

**Educational Background:** University of San Francisco,

University of Oregon

**Prior Governmental Experience:** West Linn Mayor and City Councilor; State Representative, HD 37

**“Jules is a trusted leader in our community who has built robust regional and statewide partnerships to tackle the important issues facing the district. She has my full confidence and support.”** –Senate President Rob Wagner.

### **Protecting Oregon Values:**

As your State Representative, Jules votes for economic development, affordability, and investment in students. She advocates strongly for access to high-quality education, public safety, and health care. She fights for LGBTQ+, immigrant, and BIPOC rights. She protects Oregonians' right to reproductive care.

Jules is helping navigate state budget shortfalls brought about by HR1. She's voting to support Oregon's natural resources and wildlife, fast-track clean energy siting facilities, and streamline renewable energy.

### **Jules stopped ODOT's flawed I-205 tolling plan.**

### **Lifting-Up Oregon Families:**

As a mom and Representative, she fights for Oregon families. Jules is improving access to child care and fixing our foster care system, creating better childhood outcomes. She introduced legislation to establish the CHIPS Child Care Fund and directed agencies to collaborate to ensure early learning and child care resources are easier to access. She championed legislation to establish the first K-12 primary prevention program, enabling our students to make informed choices and achieve better social and behavioral outcomes.

### **Endorsed by:**

U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley  
US Senator Ron Wyden  
Oregon Senate President Rob Wagner  
Speaker of the House Julie Fahey  
Majority Leader Ben Bowman  
West Linn Mayor Rory Bialostosky  
Tualatin Mayor Frank Bubenik  
Lake Oswego Mayor Joe Buck  
Basic Rights Oregon PAC  
Democratic Party of Clackamas County  
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555  
Oregon State Fire Fighters Council  
Oregon Working Families Party

**Learn more:** [www.votejules.com](http://www.votejules.com)

(This information furnished by Friends of Jules Walters #19369.)

**State Representative, 38th District**

## Daniel Loc Nguyen

Democrat

**Occupation:** Local Business Owner, State Legislator

**Occupational Background:** Restaurant Owner/Worker

**Educational Background:** BA, University of Puget Sound, MBA,

Marylhurst University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative, Lake Oswego City Councilor, Oregon Innovation Council, Oregon Retirement Savings Board

"Now more than ever, Oregon needs leaders like Rep. Daniel Nguyen to fight against Trump's dangerous agenda. Daniel led efforts to protect Oregonians from ICE and stand up to Trump's tariffs, providing needed financial relief for small business owners and Oregon families."

- U.S. SENATOR RON WYDEN

### Experience, Determination, Results

As the son of refugees, I learned early on the value of freedom and access to opportunity in creating safe, thriving communities – **that's why I'm paying it forward by building opportunities for all Oregonians to get ahead.**

As your voice in Salem, I will continue to fight for our "right now" and future success. **Our actions now, and in the next few years, are critical to Oregon's future.**

In 2026 Daniel led efforts to:

- **Grow jobs** and our economy
- **Strengthen laws protecting Oregonians from ICE** at the door, in hospitals, and on the street
- Balance the state budget to **protect education and avoid agency cuts and mass layoffs**
- **Stop corporations from driving up housing costs**
- **Streamline behavioral health and invest in public safety**
- **Beat back** Trump's attacks on healthcare and reproductive freedom

### Join Us in Proudly Supporting Daniel Nguyen

U.S. Senator Ron Wyden

U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley

Governor Tina Kotek

Attorney General Dan Rayfield

Congresswoman Janelle Bynum

Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici

Congresswoman Maxine Dexter

Congresswoman Andrea Salinas

Senators Rob Wagner & Kate Lieber

Representative Tawna Sanchez

Multnomah County Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards

Mayor Keith Wilson

Mayor Joe Buck

City Councilor Olivia Clark

Riverdale School Board Member Ali Lanenga

Oregon AFSCME

Oregon State Building & Construction Trades Council

Multifamily NW

Teamsters Joint Council No. 37

UFCW 555

See website for more.

[www.DanielForOregon.com](http://www.DanielForOregon.com)

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**State Representative, 38th District**

## John (Waz) Wasielewski

Democrat

**Occupation:** Middle School Teacher; Track & Cross Country Coach

**Occupational Background:** Teaching; Afterschool Program Coordinator

**Educational Background:** Masters of Education, University at Buffalo

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Precinct Committee Person

**Community Involvement:** Board Member: Lake Oswego Schools Foundation, LO For Love

### Fighting for Our Kids, Our Community, Our Future

Teaching and coaching at Lake Oswego Middle School is a privilege, and a wake-up call. My students face hunger, mental health crises, housing instability, and fear of ICE, and they're calling for adults to show up for them. If our representatives won't deliver it's time to replace them. Our kids know what's right; now we need leaders that represent them. **I'll bring their urgency and vision to Salem.**

**Keeping Us Safe:** The South Waterfront neighborhood, part of our district, is being brutalized nightly by ICE. Our leaders haven't done enough. You deserve a government that supports you in resisting injustice. **I stand with those who fight for safety and justice in our communities, and I'll be their advocate in Salem.**

**Families Over Profits:** Rents, mortgages, utilities, health care costs, and childcare are crushing working families while corporations and data centers pocket tax breaks. **I will redirect those resources toward lowering costs, housing that's affordable, and healthcare for everyone.**

**Invest in Our Future:** Every Oregon student deserves a great education without having to fight for it. **I'll push to fully fund our schools from Pre-K through higher education:** smaller class sizes, qualified support staff including behavioral and mental health services, and a safe, welcoming learning environment for all.

### Community Endorsements

Representative Lesly Muñoz

Portland Councilors Tiffany Koyama-Lane and Mitch Green

LOSD Board Kirsten Aird

LOSD Board Neelam Gupta

Oregon Working Families Party

Democratic Party of Clackamas County

Oregon Education Association-PAC

AFT-Oregon

Ironworkers Local 29

PCC Faculty Union PAC

Next Up Action Fund

The Mother PAC

Basic Rights Oregon PAC

Sierra Club

Steph Routh, Community Advocate

Jorge Sanchez Bautista, Youth Leader

Join your leaders & friends at [www.wazfororegon.com](http://www.wazfororegon.com)

(This information furnished by WAZPAC #24446.)

**State Representative, 39th District**

# April Dobson

Democrat

**Occupation:** State Representative and Mom

**Occupational Background:** Non-profit Program Management

**Educational Background:** Scappoose High School; B.A.,

University of Oregon

**Prior Governmental Experience:** North Clackamas School Board

**Volunteer Experience:** Adrienne Nelson HS PTA

### **APRIL DOBSON: Fighting For Clackamas County**

Oregon is facing some of the toughest challenges in a generation. Dramatic cuts from Washington, DC politicians will leave Oregonians holding the bill, kicking thousands off their health insurance, defunding Planned Parenthood, and raising tariffs that lead to higher prices. In Salem, I'm proud to be working hard to bridge these federal cuts and help Oregon families and small businesses make ends meet. I'm running for reelection because there's more work to do for Clackamas County.

As your State Representative, I've focused on:

- **Lowering taxes for working families** and passing targeted relief for small-businesses impacted by tariffs.
- **Putting homeownership in reach of young families** and preventing hedge funds from buying homes before Oregonians have a chance to make an offer.
- **Standing up for Oregon values** and protecting sensitive places, like schools and hospitals, from chaotic immigration enforcement.
- **Restoring funding for Oregon Planned Parenthood** clinics and preserving access to safe and legal abortion.
- **Closing corporate loopholes** that let insurance companies off the hook when they unfairly delay or deny claims and allow out of state banks to charge Oregonians more than 100% interest.
- **Passing new accountability measures** for school districts to raise student achievement.
- **Improving affordability** by forcing big data centers to pay their fair share for electricity and not pass the cost on to consumers.
- **Fighting for sensible gun safety legislation**, justice for victims of violent crimes, and to strengthen and reform our addiction-treatment and homeless services.
- **Securing a complete repeal of legislation allowing tolling in Clackamas County.**

### **Endorsed By**

U.S. Senator Ron Wyden

Clackamas County Chair Craig Roberts

State Senator Mark Meek

North Clackamas School Board Chair Jena Benologa

Oregon State Fire Fighters Council

North Coast States Carpenters Union

Learn more: [www.aprildobson.com](http://www.aprildobson.com)

*(This information furnished by Committee to Elect April Dobson (22699).)*

**State Representative, 40th District**

## Charles Gallia

Democrat

**Occupation:** Health Policy Consultant

**Occupational Background:** Healthcare policy, evaluation, and public budgeting.

**Educational Background:** B.S.,

Political Science; Ph.D., Public Administration, Portland State University.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Volunteer: Clackamas County Community Health Council (Treasurer); Clackamas County Public Safety Coordinating Council; Clackamas County Economic Development Commission; Citizens Review Board; Clackamas Fire District #1, Budget Committee.

**Additional Community Service:** Chair, Clackamas County Democratic Party; President, Clackamas ESD Classified Employees, CERT coordinator; EMT; Co-founder Oregon Pediatric Improvement Partnership.

"I've led Oregon through major health reforms, and I know how high the stakes are in 2027. Charles Gallia has the expertise and judgment to get it right. I strongly urge HD 40 to send him to the House." **Former Governor John Kitzhaber**

**Fixing Healthcare** Our healthcare system is in turmoil. I understand Oregon's healthcare system—and how to fix it. I will work to stabilize the Oregon Health Plan, expand behavioral health access, and protect care for seniors, working families, and vulnerable Oregonians.

**Experienced Community Leadership** The challenges Oregon faces requires a leader who has delivered results. My focus is on practical, community-centered solutions that help families, strengthen schools, and support local businesses.

**Action on Housing** Talk is cheap. We need tangible action. As your State Representative, I will make sure housing investments produce real results-homes people can afford.

**Our Values, Responsibly** We must defend our schools and public safety while budgeting wisely. I support transparent spending tied to measurable outcomes. Our state budget should reflect our values. We must protect our neighbors and hold State Agencies accountable. I believe the best Representative starts with a strong connection to the community.

"Why do I support Charles? It's because he is locked in with the community. He is everywhere! He values authentic connection with the people he represents. Charles gets the assignment and I am behind him 1,000%." **Mandy Dexter, community leader and educator**

**ENDORSED BY:**

Clackamas County Democrats, Oregon Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, Oregon AFSCME, UFCW 555 & more at [charlesgallia.com](http://charlesgallia.com)

*(This information furnished by Charles Gallia.)*

**State Representative, 40th District**

## Michael W Sugar

Democrat

**Occupation:** High School History Teacher

**Occupational Background:** Department chair, debate coach

**Educational Background:** Johns Hopkins University (M.Ed.);

University of Oregon (B.A., Theatre Arts, History)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Political Action Chair, WWEA. 15+ years political campaign volunteer

**MICHAEL SUGAR: CONNECTING COMMUNITIES FOR A STRONGER OREGON**

I'm running because it's time to unite for action. Oregon's statewide problems have persisted for decades, and they are impacting our community: homelessness, aging infrastructure, education funding, cost of living, and now, federal threats to our democracy & rights. I will stand up for our community and collaborate with leaders across Oregon to tackle our statewide challenges, and I will fight to ensure we have safe communities, exciting downtowns, great jobs, and a healthy environment.

**I WILL STAND UP FOR OUR COMMUNITY.**

I love small businesses, historic areas, libraries, parks, and the arts. **NO TOLLS**, and **NO ICE!** I will fight for housing & development policies that actually work for us. I'll protect **reproductive freedom** and survivors of domestic violence, and support **green energy to lower utility costs** & protect the environment.

We deserve affordable healthcare, especially for seniors and kids. I support well-funded schools with robust early childhood, **literacy**, and trades programs that prepare students for **great jobs** and futures. I value **accessible leadership** that stands up for our community.

**ENDORSED BY:**

All three mayors in our House District 40:

**Denyse McGriff**, Oregon City Mayor

**Michael Milch**, Gladstone Mayor

**Vincent Whitehead**, Johnson City Mayor

**And:**

**Democratic Party of Clackamas County**

Oregon Education Association - PAC

Oregon Working Families Party

Sierra Club Oregon

SEIU 503

UA 290

**Scott Wilson**, Oregon City Commission President

**Rocky Smith**, Oregon City Commissioner

Gladstone City Council President **Vanessa Huckaby**

Gladstone School Board Members **Nicole Quackenbush, Charlie**

**Chu, Stacie Moncrief**

**Cierra Cook:** Owner, Spoke & Word Books

**Tim Powell**, Fmr. Oregon City Commissioner

State Representatives **April Dobson & Lesly Muñoz**

**Edward Lindquist**, Fmr. Clackamas County Commissioner & House Majority Leader

**And many more! Visit: [www.sugarfororegon.com](http://www.sugarfororegon.com)**

*(This information furnished by Sugar for Oregon.)*

**State Representative, 41st District**

## Mark Gamba

Democrat

**Occupation:** State Representative, small business owner

**Occupational Background:** National Geographic Photographer

**Educational Background:** AAS-CMC

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Milwaukie Mayor, City Councilor

### Mark Gamba Prioritizes Real Climate Action

Climate change is the main reason Mark first ran for office. It remains his top priority. He will continue to drive policy to modernize how we build out our electrical transmission systems to enable a more rapid transition to clean energy. He is focusing on modernizing our land use system to speed permitting of clean energy and reducing GHGs from our transportation system.

### Mark Gamba Champions Solutions to the Housing Crisis

Homeownership is the traditional way of building generational wealth and stabilizing housing costs. It is increasingly out of reach for working Oregonians. Mark has led the charge on reforming how we finance affordable housing, on renter protections, and on lowering the cost to construct new housing. He is now working to kick off a massive program to build thousands of new affordable homes to be purchased by working families, through a public/private partnership.

### Mark Gamba Fights to Rebalance the Scales of Wealth Inequality

Nearly all of our societal ills may be traced back to the diminishing share of wealth held by the middle and lower classes. From diseases of despair like drug addiction, to rampant unsheltered homelessness, the concentration of wealth into the hands of a relative few has left the rest of us increasingly struggling to survive. Oregon's failure to provide high quality education, mental healthcare and affordable housing can be traced back to two republican-led constitutional changes – the kicker and property tax limits. Both predominantly benefit the richest Oregonians. Mark is unafraid of taking on monied interests and pushing for bold, transformative change. We need an undaunted voice like his fighting for us in the legislature.

### Some of Mark's Endorsements:

Sierra Club

OLCV

SEIU

OR Labor Federation, AFL-CIO

Oregon State Fire Fighters Council

Oregon Nurses Association

Portland Association of Teachers PAC

Working Families Party

*(This information furnished by Mark Gamba for Oregon.)*

**State Representative, 48th District**

## Lamar Wise

Democrat

**Occupation:** State Representative; Project Director, Oregon AFSCME

**Occupational Background:** Political Director, Oregon AFSCME; Executive Director, Oregon Student Association

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Commissioner: Higher Education Coordinating Commission; Independent Districting Commission, City of Portland

I'm running because government has failed to live up to its promise to provide opportunity and prosperity to all Oregonians. Our government should work for everyday people, including working families, our students in the K-12 system, and those who have historically been left out of decision-making. My personal experiences with food and housing insecurity is what drives me to deliver real results for HD 48. I will bring my lived experiences of struggling with affordability and my track record of advocating for workers and students to Salem with me to move Oregon forward.

Before serving in the legislature, I spent years advocating for students and working families across Oregon. As Executive Director of the Oregon Student Association, I worked with student leaders to expand college affordability and access to higher education. As Political Director for Oregon AFSCME, I partnered with workers to strengthen the services that keep our communities running.

### **Fighting For:**

#### **Stable and Affordable Communities**

- Expanding housing options and address homelessness
- Investing in safe neighborhoods and community infrastructure
- Supporting small businesses and local economic growth

#### **Strong Schools and Workforce Opportunities**

- Fully funding public schools and supporting student success
- Expanding access to higher education and job training
- Strengthening apprenticeships and workforce development

#### **Families Here in Oregon**

- Protecting essential public services families rely on
- Implementing policies to protect our immigrant neighbors
- Connecting education to family-wage career opportunities

### **We Stand with Lamar**

Oregon AFSCME

OR Labor Federation AFL-CIO

SEIU 503

Oregon Nurses Association

North Coast States Carpenters Union

The Mother PAC

PCUN

East County Rising

Sierra Club

Clackamas County Democrats

Oregon State Fire Fighters Council

U.S. Senator Merkley

Congresswoman Dexter

Attorney General Dan Rayfield

City of Portland Councilor Candace Avalos

Multnomah County Commissioner Meghan Moyer

Clackamas County Chair Craig Roberts

*(This information furnished by Furnished by WISE PAC - PAC ID #21694.)*

**State Representative, 51st District****Darla Mead**

Democrat

**Occupation:** Oncology Nurse Navigator**Occupational Background:** Bedside RN, Infusion RN, Clinical Nursing Instructor, Accounts Receivable**Educational Background:** Oregon Health & Science University Nursing School, Bachelor of Science in Nursing; Clackamas Community College, Associates in Nursing**Prior Governmental Experience:** None**CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY, STRENGTHENING OUR FUTURE****As a lifelong resident** of Clackamas County, I truly value the heart of small communities and know how quickly they can change.**As a woodland homeowner** who experienced the destructive 2020 wildfires, I am profoundly concerned about climate change, its devastating environmental consequences, and increasing risk for catastrophic natural disasters.**As a mother, adoptive mother, and grandmother,** I have witnessed how inadequate resources and support, lack of opportunity, generational poverty and drug addiction impact families in our small communities.**As a registered nurse,** I see the financial strain and adverse health consequences resulting from inequitable care, delayed care and insufficient insurance coverage.**I AM COMMITTED TO:****Creating Local Economic Opportunity:** Ensuring our families thrive in safe, nurturing communities with access to education, housing, and employment. Balancing growth with preserving our **unique small-town cultures** ensuring we don't transform them into mini versions of Portland. Addressing water and sewer infrastructure challenges to support expansion, and keeping new construction affordable for current residents. Resolving educational budget deficits.**Advocating for Healthcare:** Fighting for **accessible** and **affordable** medical and mental healthcare for **ALL** Oregonians, because healthcare—including **reproductive and gender-affirming care**—is a fundamental human right.**Enforcing Environmental Protections:** Implementing robust measures to shield our communities from national interests aiming to exploit our resources. It's critical that we implement **sustainable practices** to preserve our ecosystems, safeguard air and water quality and protect our communities from future disasters. We must keep our air and water clean, reduce toxins and waste, and protect the land, water, and wildlife that make Oregon an extraordinary place to live.**TOGETHER, LETS BUILD A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR OUR COMMUNITIES AND GENERATIONS TO COME.****Endorsements:****Clackamas County Democrats****Oregon Nurses Association***(This information furnished by Darla Mead for Oregon.)***State Representative, 51st District****Joseph Richards**

Democrat

**Occupation:** Workforce Data & Analytics Consultant, Kaiser Permanente**Occupational Background:** Labor Economist, International Brotherhood of Teamsters; Labor

Economist, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; Labor Analyst, Safeway

**Educational Background:** MA Economics, Johns Hopkins University**Prior Governmental Experience:** n/a**Oregon's economy has stalled.** The cost of living continues to rise and many communities feel like opportunity is harder to find. I believe our district has extraordinary opportunities for economic growth.District 51 – Canby, rural Oregon City, Sandy, Estacada, Beavercreek, Eagle Creek, and Mulino – **is where cities give way to farmland, forests, and rivers.** Many of us choose to live here because we value community, space, and access to the outdoors.

The Clackamas River corridor could become a major outdoor recreation destination for the Portland region, supporting local businesses and tourism in Estacada, Beavercreek, Eagle Creek, and rural Oregon City, much like the Deschutes River supports Bend's economy.

In Sandy, already the gateway to Mount Hood, we should help more of the millions of visitors who pass through town stop and support local shops and restaurants.

In Canby, expanding regional events at the fairgrounds and supporting local agriculture and small businesses can strengthen one of Oregon's most vibrant rural communities.

**My name is Joseph Richards, and I am running for Oregon House District 51 because I believe in the opportunity our region possesses.** What we need now is a clear strategy to grow that opportunity.

My professional background is in workforce and economic policy. I have worked as a labor economist and workforce analyst helping organizations understand how jobs, wages, and economic growth are connected.

As a Beavercreek resident and father of four daughters, I care deeply about how the next few decades unfold for our district and what opportunities are available to the next generation of Oregonians.

To learn more about my ideas for District 51 and Oregon's economic future, please visit **[OregonRainmakers.com](http://OregonRainmakers.com)**.

I would be honored to earn your vote in the Democratic primary.

*(This information furnished by Joseph Richards.)*

**State Representative, 52nd District**

## David Osborn

Democrat

**Occupation:** Professor

**Occupational Background:** Non-profit leader; anti-poverty advocate; facilitator; farmer

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon, BA; London School of Economics, MS; Portland State University, PhD

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Vice-chair, Corbett School Board; Faculty Senator, PSU; Budget Committee, CSD

David has spent twenty years in the Gorge and the Mt. Hood region working, exploring, and organizing. **As an educator, non-profit leader, union member, and School Board member** he is committed to taking on billionaires and greedy corporations to secure the resources working people and their families deserve.

**As a father of two, David understands the rising cost of groceries, healthcare, housing, and childcare.** In Salem, he will work to lower costs and keep our communities safe by fighting back against Trump and ICE's attacks.

**"David is the best choice to serve our district and provide our community with the resources we need. His background and experience are what our district needs in Salem."**

- *Anna Williams, former HD 52 Rep*

### Lowering the Cost of Living

Despite working hard, too many are struggling. David will make life more affordable and free up money for families by fully funding housing, healthcare, education, and childcare. He will close tax loopholes and make sure the ultra-wealthy pay their fair share.

### Supporting Education, Kids, and Families

Parents, teachers and kids deserve better. As an experienced educator, David will stop cuts and fully fund our schools, lower class sizes, and implement universal and fully-funded preschool.

### Protecting Oregon's Natural Legacy

As a farmer, conservationist, and environmental leader David will do more to prevent wildfire, invest in home hardening, help farmers, support forest and watershed restoration, and tackle climate change by reducing emissions.

### Endorsements:

Anna Williams  
American Federation of Teachers  
Sierra Club  
Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council  
Communication Workers of America  
Working Families Party  
East County Rising  
Clackamas Democrats  
Senator Khanh Pham  
Representative Mark Gamba  
Anna Cavaleri, HR Councilor  
Raz Mason  
Leah Fredericks, Chair CSD Board

[osbornfororegon.com](http://osbornfororegon.com)

(This information furnished by Friends of David Osborn.)

**State Representative, 52nd District**

## Hank Sanders

Democrat

**Occupation:** Legislative Staff, Journalist

**Occupational Background:** Political Director, Congresswoman Maxine Dexter; Reporter, The New York Times, Chicago Tribune,

Willamette Week, NBC News

**Educational Background:** BA (Economics), University of Chicago

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Senate Legislative Staff

**Service:** Secretary, Hood River County Democrats; Founder, CardsCook, nonprofit feeding homeless youth

### Vote Hank Sanders for State Representative!

"Salem needs Hank's energy, creativity, vision and political experience to preserve what's best about Oregon and chart a brighter future for generations."

- **John Kitzhaber, Former Governor of Oregon**

"As a New York Times reporter covering Trump's tyranny, Hank showed that he will stand up to federal overreach. ¡Vota por Hank!"

- **Leti Moretti, Hood River County Commissioner**

Growing up in rural Oregon, Hank knows that many of us are settling for rent that is unaffordable, insurance and childcare that are inaccessible, and hours-long commutes. It does not have to be this way.

We can build more housing, reduce fire risk, invest in childcare, and attract jobs that create stable futures for all.

"Hank knows we must have responsible fiscal and economic development policies to ensure our communities thrive. That's why he has my support."

- **Bill Lennox, Former Wasco County Commissioner**

**As a reporter, Hank listens. In Salem, Hank fights for his community.**

### Hank's Priorities:

- **Lower housing costs** by building more affordable housing
- **Defend our home from fires**
- **Childcare tax credits**
- **Support small businesses**
- **Make healthcare affordable** for everyone
- **Protect our environment**

### Community Leaders Trust Hank:

Democratic Party of Clackamas County  
Humane Voters Oregon  
Former Governor John Kitzhaber  
Hood River County Commissioner Leti Moretti  
Former Wasco County Commissioner, Bill Lennox  
Hood River City Council President Gladys Rivera  
State Senator Lisa Reynolds  
State Representatives Tom Andersen and Emerson Levy  
Vicky Stifter, Pastor, Riverside Church  
Lach Litwer, Workforce Housing Developer  
Mike McCarthy, Farmer  
Seth Tibbott, Founder of Tofurky  
Marcus Swift, Dalles Community Leader  
Buck Parker, Environmental Activist  
Rick Metsger, Former State Senator  
Kristen Dillon, Rural Healthcare Expert

More at [HankForOregon.com](http://HankForOregon.com)

(This information furnished by Friends of Hank Sanders.)

**State Representative, 52nd District**

## Bernard R Seeger

Democrat

**Occupation:** 1st Generation American, City Councilor, Local Government Leader, Veteran US Army

**Occupational Background:** City and County Professional

Manager(19 years), US Army Officer(8 years)

**Educational Background:** US Military Academy, West Point, B.S. University of Kansas, M.P.A, OSU, Forestry

**Prior Governmental Experience:** City Councilor(18 months), Finance Director, Gresham(96 months), City Administrator Cascade Locks(44 months), Policy Analyst, Lewis County, WA, Planning Commissioner

### Resilience, Grit, Proven Leader

I'm a great fit for this job because I have a resume built for this work. I've spent the last 20 years creating and delivering public policy to improve communities and the lives of citizens. Whether building a fire station, negotiating an affordable housing project, or improving funding systems, I have the experience to improve the issues we will face at the State. I know how to build relationships, create trust, and solve problems.

My **governing philosophy** is simple.

1. **Govern with integrity**—honesty, empathy, curiosity, and grace.
2. **Be responsive** to the challenges our citizens face and **responsible** for the foundational systems we all rely on: roads, schools, healthcare, etc.
3. **Understand Our Roles** — Government should solve what people can't solve alone, and empower people to solve what they can.

### I will fight for:

**Affordability/Housing.** Reduce barriers to development, create codes for co-housing developments, and innovative solutions like housing over big box stores.

**Economic Development.** Leverage Oregon's abundant clean energy resources: wind, water, solar, geothermal to create cheap plentiful energy to attract business. Adopt tourism/consumption tax to reduce income taxes to make us more competitive with WA.

**Youth Support/Development.** Education funding that supports kids regardless of skill level. Get kids outside - free from devices. No social media for kids under 16.

### Great Leaders Endorse Seeger

Clackamas County Democrats

Arthur Babitz, HR County Commissioner

Beach Pace, Mayor of Hillsborough

Dave Meriwether, Former HR County Administrator

Diane McKeel, Former Multnomah County Commissioner

Barbara Briggs, Former HR County Commissioners

Pete Happy, Council President, Cascade Locks

Arlene Burns, Former Mayor of Mosier

And more...[www.seegerHD52.com](http://www.seegerHD52.com)

(This information furnished by Seeger HD52.)

**State Representative, 52nd District**

## Nick Walden Poublon

Democrat

**Occupation:** Healthcare Policy, educator

**Occupational Background:** Student Health Advisor, Portland State University; Youth Alcohol & Drug Prevention Services

**Educational Background:** Portland State University, BA History

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Legislative Aide, House District 52

Nick Walden Poublon **grew up on a dairy farm and worked his way through college and graduate school** at Portland State University. He has spent his career working in healthcare policy, education, and youth prevention programs.

Nick serves on the board of **Health Care for All Oregon**, working to expand access and lower healthcare costs. For over a decade he worked as the Student Health Advisor at PSU, ensuring students and university employees had access to quality healthcare.

**As a former legislative aide for House District 52, Nick understands how to turn ideas into policy that delivers results for this district.**

In 2024, **Nick nearly flipped this seat**, earning support from voters across the district, including outside his party.

### Affordable Housing

Housing costs are squeezing families and making it harder for businesses to grow. **Expand affordable housing and help people stay in their homes while protecting Urban Growth Boundaries.**

### Healthcare

People still struggle to access healthcare. Lower healthcare costs, expand access, and **protect the freedom to make personal medical decisions.**

### Strong Local Economy

Invest in community colleges, apprenticeships, and workforce training so more **can build stable careers close to home.**

### Resources

Clean air, water, and forests are essential. **Protect Oregon's natural resources** while supporting the farmers, workers, and communities that depend on them.

Endorsements:

Working Families Party

American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees

United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555

Basic Rights Oregon PAC

East County Rising

Clackamas County Democrats

Paul Blackburn, Hood River Mayor

Doug Stepina, Hood River City Council

Matt Ellis, Hood River County District Attorney

Kara Davis, Wasco County District Attorney

Lori Kuechler, former H52 State Representative

Linda Malone, former Sandy Mayor

Betty Reynolds, former OSBA President

State Representatives:

Zach Hudson

Travis Nelson

Thuy Tran

Leslie Munoz

(This information furnished by Team NWP.)

**US Senator****Brent Barker**

Republican

**Occupation:** Mediation and Dispute Resolution, Investment Real Estate Principal Broker and Business Owner.

**Occupational Background:** Worked in the trades to pay for

higher education. Nationally Accredited health practitioner and entrepreneur; to become a television spokesperson. National Finance Business Development Manager, Small Business owner, commercial real estate investment professional.

**Educational Background:** Bachelor of Science (BS) Administration and Master of Arts (MA) Health at California State University. • Leadership Institute International Division - Vienna, Austria. • FINRA. • Pepperdine University Business School. • Pepperdine University School of Law – Mediation, Arbitration & Dispute Resolution.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** • 2009 - US-Asia Ambassador Economic Council International Trade Council. • 2015 Commendation Award for Public Service by Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. • Since 2019-2026 Precinct Committee Person. • Oregon Delegate. • 2015- 2020 White House Executive Office of the President (EOP) Office of Advance. • 2022 Candidate for Oregon Commissioner of Labor and Industries (BOLI). • 2024 Candidate for Oregon Secretary of State. Membership Organizations: Multnomah Bar Association, Oregon Mediation Association, NRA, TCGC, Heritage Foundation & Professional

**HAD ENOUGH?**

As Oregon's United States Senator, I will restore **\*\*Integrity\*\*** and **\*\*Respect\*\*** to our **Beautiful State**.

I will end sanctuary crime laws, support election reformers (**SAVE ACT**), forge business alliances for new jobs, secure federal infrastructure funds, reduce the high cost of living, and limit hedge fund housing investments that inflate median home prices.

**My campaign strongly supports the **\*\*AMERICA FIRST AGENDA\*\*****

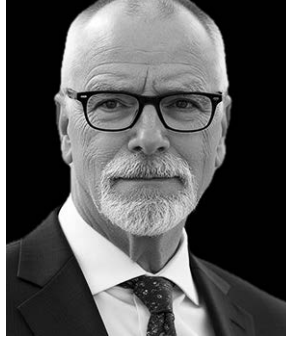
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*(This information furnished by Brent Barker for Oregon.)*

**US Senator****Russell McAlmond**

Republican

**Occupation:** Executive Director and Founder of the Center for Human Equality (CHE) in Oregon, Chief Investment Officer Rogue Russell Investments in Southern Oregon

**Occupational Background:** CEO and Senior Financial Advisor Evergreen Capital Management - Portland, Oregon, Bank of America - Vice President - Portland, Oregon, US Bank - Vice President - Portland, Oregon

**Educational Background:** MBA - Master of Business - CCU, MSFS - Master of Financial Services - The American College, Management and Organizational Leadership - Bachelor - George Fox University, Business Administration - Bachelor - CCU, Certified Financial Planner (CFP). Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC), Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Josephine County Public Safety Budget Committee

**Russ McAlmond is an Oregonian with deep family roots in our beautiful state that desperately needs new management.**

As a US Marine veteran and human rights activist with strong conservative values Russ knows how to fight for all Oregonians, not only the extreme few on either the left or the right. He is the only fresh Republican candidate who can bring the majority of voters in Oregon together to stop the hate and polarization. Most Oregonians are not extremists, but want safety and stability for our state and families.

As a financial expert, he is in favor of reducing taxes in Oregon and nationally. Oregonians are too heavily taxed and regulated by the current political management. He is in favor of term limits and Voter ID. He pledges to voluntarily serve no more than two terms as your new US Senator. He is opposed to men competing in women's sports and a strong 2nd Amendment supporter as an important constitutional right that needs to be protected for everyone.

Russ desires a Human Rights Act to be passed that is based on the Declaration of Independence where it proclaims that we are "all created equal with unalienable rights" so that every American is only judged as a unique individual. He would be honored to have your vote!

*(This information furnished by Friends of McAlmond for US Senate.)*

**US Senator**



**Jo Rae Perkins**

Republican

**Occupation:** Health Insurance Producer, Essential Needs Distributor

**Occupational Background:** Insurance Producer, Financial Advisor, Banker, Realtor, Office

Mgmt.

**Educational Background:** Oregon State University, Bachelor of Science, Political Science, minor Speech Comm; University of Portland, Executive Certificate in Financial Planning; Linn Benton Community College, Associates Business Management.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Republican Party State Secretary 2022 and 2020 U.S. Senator Nominee, 2024 and 2016 Presidential Elector, ORP State Convention, Delegate/Bonus Delegate; Linn County GOP, Chairwoman, Vice-Chairwoman, Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Precinct Committee Woman 2008 – Present; Linn County Republican Women, President, 1st & 2nd VP; ASOLBCC Business Manager; Albany Visitors Association, President/Vice-President; Commissioner, Albany Human Relations Commission 2019-2021

Following are issues sent to me by voters around Oregon that need to be addressed and changed by the U.S. House and Senate.

- Reform the Health Insurance Industry. Natural treatments, cover Naturopaths as Primary Doctor.
- Reform Medicare, Medicare Advantage and reduce control of CMS.
- Secure the border with changing unlawful immigration from civil to felony!
- End abuse of the Supremacy Clause by Cities and States.
- End Anchor Baby loophole.
- Tighten up budget oversite to End Waste, Fraud, Abuse.
- Reduce/end Continuing Resolutions. Pass a solid budget.
- Reform/reduce taxation at all levels.
- Stop supporting enemies of the State, NGOs, Non-Profits.
- Cap Interest Rates per the National Bank Act, close loopholes.
- Term Limits - Maximum of 12 years combined between both Houses of Congress!
- Provide housing for our Veterans!

I have traveled Oregon multiple times and have a broad understanding of Oregon's diverse culture and believe we have more in common than we realize.

**Jo Rae:**

Will stand firm to save **your** Constitutional Rights.

Is 100% Pro-Life as all life begins at conception.

Is a follower of Jesus Christ.

Is Committed to fiscal stewardship of your tax dollars!

Married Geoge March 18, 1978, two adult children, eleven grandchildren!

Humbly I ask for your prayers, **boldly** I ask for your vote.

**“For Oregon, For America, For Such A Time As This”**

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*(This information furnished by Jo Rae Perkins.)*

**US Senator**



**David Brock Smith**

Republican

**Occupation:** State Senator, Small Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** State Representative, County Commissioner, Small Business Owner/Business Manager, Director-

Economic Development

**Educational Background:** Pacific High School, SOCC, SOU

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Senator-Deputy Leader, State Representative-Assistant Leader, Legislative Committees-Vice Chair-Energy & Environment-Natural Resources-Agriculture, Land Use & Water-Education-Economic Development & Trade-Veterans, Emergency Management Federal/World Affairs-Joint Ways & Means-Sub-Public Safety/Natural Resources, Legislative Task Forces/Workgroups-Sudden Oak Death-Opioid-Maritime Workforce Development-Invasive Species-Agricultural Ditches-Salmon & Habitat Enhancement, Pacific Northwest Economic Region-Delegate, Council of State Governments West-Co-Chair Wildfire & Disaster Preparedness/Public Safety Committees, Senate Board Member-Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority/Oregon Environmental Restoration Council, Co-Chair-Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus, Co-Chair-Legislative Wine Caucus

**Working For You! Serving Oregon First!**

As a third-generation resident and small businessman from Southwest Oregon, David has spent his life serving his community and standing up for the people who live and work here. Our beloved Oregon is in peril, and as he continues to help lead the efforts for real solutions for our working families, their communities and the businesses that support them, more can and will be done. He's fought for you in the Oregon State Capitol in Salem, and he will continue to put you first in the U.S. Capitol in Washington.

- **Making Oregon Affordable:** We need common sense solutions that incentivize job growth in our communities. That means no new taxes, more support for our local businesses, eliminating fraud and reducing unnecessary government spending.
- **Ending the Homelessness Crisis:** We need drug and mental health treatment that works! David has and will continue to fight for treatment and accountability, and bring an end to permanent street camping. We need strong elected leaders who will represent the homeowners, businesses and residents in Portland and across Oregon.
- **Wildfire Prevention Policy:** David has led the state in wildfire prevention, and as your United States Senator, he will continue our fight to make sure federal regulations prioritize the jobs, needs and safety of the people who live here in Oregon, not political extremists.

More Information:

[www.DavidBrockSmithforOregon.com](http://www.DavidBrockSmithforOregon.com)

[www.OregonLegislature.gov/smithd](http://www.OregonLegislature.gov/smithd)

*(This information furnished by David Brock Smith for Oregon.)*

**US Representative, 2nd District**



**Cliff Bentz**

Republican

**Occupation:** U.S. Congressman, Farmer, Businessman

**Occupational Background:** U.S. Congressman, Farmer, Legislator, Rancher, Attorney (water, business law)

**Educational Background:** J.D. Lewis and Clark College, B.S. Eastern Oregon State College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** U.S. Congressman (2021-present), Oregon State Senator, (2018-2020), Oregon State Representative (2008-2018), School Board Member (Ontario 8C School District (2005-2008). Oregon Water Resources Commission (1988-1995)

**Cliff Bentz** endorsed President Trump, is PRO-2nd Amendment, PRO-Life, PRO-Business, & PRO Veteran.

**Cliff Bentz** as a member of the House Water and Wildlife Fisheries Subcommittee, is fighting for reservoir storage, additional hydro-power, retention of dams, water for irrigation, delisting of the wolf, and increased timber harvest.

**Cliff Bentz** supports veterans, more energy generation, lower taxes, a secure border, private property rights, personal freedom and rural Healthcare.

**CHAIRMAN BRUCE WESTERMAN  
HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

*"A strong conservative, Cliff Bentz is exactly who the 2nd District of Oregon needs representing them in Washington. As a leader on the House Natural Resources Committee, Cliff defends conservative values and works hard to represent Oregon."*

**CHAIRMAN JIM JORDAN  
HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

*"I have known Cliff for years and now work him as a County Commissioner. As a retired Marine, I know he consistently places the needs of our veterans at the forefront of all he does"*

**RANDY SPARACINO  
JACKSON COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

*"During my time as both Mayor of Medford and Commissioner, Congressman Bentz has always been a strong advocate for Jackson County and CD2."*

**Cliff Bentz endorsements:**

- Oregon Right to Life PAC
- Oregon Cattlemen's Association
- Oregon Farm Bureau Federation
- American Forest Resource Council
- Associated Oregon Loggers
- Oregon Rural Electric Cooperative Association
- AgPac
- Oregonians for Food & Shelter
- Young Republicans of Oregon

*(This information furnished by Cliff Bentz for Congress.)*

**US Representative, 2nd District**



**Peter J Larson**

Republican

**Occupation:** Admissions Counselor

**Occupational Background:** Admissions Counselor, Teacher

**Educational Background:** M.A.T., Western Oregon University, B.A.,

Oregon State University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

Are you better off than you were two years ago?

Has Cliff Bentz made your life better?

Eastern & Southern Oregon deserves leadership that listens, shows up, and delivers results. It's time for accountable representation that puts our communities first, not party politics.

Rep. Cliff Bentz has:

- **Refused** to hold regular public town halls.
- Voted to **increase** the national debt by over \$3 trillion.
- **Spent over \$20,000** in taxpayer funds on restaurants and luxury hotels surrounding the inauguration, the highest reported in Congress.
- Voted **against** expanding veterans' education benefits.
- Supported policies that **restrict** energy production in our region.
- Admitted tariffs **increase costs** for everyday goods while failing to oppose policies that raise prices on Oregon families, farmers, and ranchers.

I promise to:

**Government Accountability**

- Hold public town halls in every county in our district.
- Introduce legislation to fully release the Epstein Files, ensure transparency, and hold wrongdoers accountable.
- Advance serious, responsible solutions to reduce the national debt while improving government efficiency.

**Health Care**

- Work to lower the cost of health insurance in Oregon and pursue nationwide reforms that increase competition and transparency, as well as break up monopolies that drive up drug prices and force pharmacy closures in our communities.

**Affordability & Cost of Living**

- Ensure A.I. data centers do not increase electricity costs for local residents.
- Work to eliminate tariffs that harm Oregon agriculture and increase consumer prices.
- Take on monopolistic practices in the meat industry, housing markets, Big Tech, and healthcare.

**Education & Jobs**

- Expand apprenticeships, trade schools, and workforce training programs to create career paths without requiring four-year degrees.
- Support higher education opportunities that prepare our students for high-demand local jobs.
- Advocate for responsible public lands management that supports the hardworking men and women who depend on those lands for their livelihoods.

*"Serving the People of Oregon. Upholding the Constitution."*

*(This information furnished by Peter Larson for Congress.)*

**US Representative, 5th District**



**Patti Adair**

Republican

**Occupation:** Deschutes County Commissioner, Small Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** Accountant

**Educational Background:** BA,

History- University of Oregon, BS, Accounting- Central Washington University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Deschutes County Commissioner (2019-Present)

"I am a proud mother, wife, businesswoman, philanthropist, and Deschutes County Commissioner who has spent her entire life in the service of others. From being involved in 4-H growing up, to raising millions of dollars for charity, to representing my neighbors on the Deschutes County Commission, I have always cared deeply about my community and improving people's lives. That is why I am running for U.S. Congress: because District 5 deserves a Representative that will actually listen and deliver real results."

**A Proven Track Record**

As a Deschutes County Commissioner, Patti has consistently delivered. She has stood up for our veterans, worked alongside law enforcement to improve public safety, supported small businesses, fought to eliminate wasteful spending, and promoted fiscal responsibility.

She spearheaded Deschutes County's veterans' village, a program that helps struggling veterans get back on their feet. She also helped secure two new circuit judges for Deschutes County and saved Worrell Wayside Park in Bend from becoming the county headquarters parking lot.

**An Oregon-First Fighter**

Unlike Janelle Bynum, Patti is not going to Congress to become a career politician. Patti is going to Congress because working-class Oregonians need results.

Patti will fight to increase affordability, lower the cost of living, address rising energy costs, support law and order, lower taxes, stand against wasteful spending, and always put Oregonians first - not politics or special interests.

We deserve better than Janelle Bynum's far-left extremism. Patti Adair is the proven leader we can trust to flip District 5 and fight for us in Congress.

**Endorsements**

Former Oregon Secretary of State Bev Clarno

State Senator Christine Drazan

State Senator Mike McLane

State Representative Matt Bunch

Oregon Farm Bureau

Molalla Mayor Scott Keyser

Deschutes County Treasurer Bill Kuhn

Marion County Commissioner Danielle Bethell

Linn County Commissioner Will Tucker

*(This information furnished by Patti Adair.)*

**US Representative, 5th District**



**Jonathan Lockwood**

Republican

**Occupation:** Public Relations Consultant; Legal Extern; J.D. Candidate

**Occupational Background:** Senate Republican Spokesperson and Communications Director;

Advisor and Consultant for Republican House and Senate Members; Public Relations Consultant and Spokesperson for Attorneys; VP of Communications; Executive Director of Numerous Conservative Organizations; National Board of Policy Advisors; Nonprofit Fundraiser

**Educational Background:** J.D. Candidate, Santa Clara University; Georgetown University, Public Relations, Master's; MSU Denver, Journalism, Bachelor's; Visiting Student, University of Cambridge

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Senate Republican Spokesperson and Communications Director, including Kim Thatcher and Fred Girod; Former Press Secretary for 28 Republicans

*"While some were willing to lay down on the tracks, Jonathan stood up to stop the big government train. He's a fighter and I know he will be a strong advocate for CD5"*

-Evan Bryan, Former Republican Legislative Director, Oregon Senate

**FIGHTING FOR OREGON FAMILIES**

Under leftist rule in Salem, I successfully fought alongside Republican lawmakers to protect taxpayers and defend parental rights. I will never forget letters from parents, children, and religious leaders thanking me for helping defeat HB 3063, a bill that would have stripped parental rights and scrapped the Hippocratic Oath, forcing children to take over THIRTY VACCINATIONS.

**ADAIR SUPPORTED THIS FORCIBLE INJECTION ACT**

I will continue fighting for Oregonians in D.C by:

- Slashing taxes, investigating fraud & waste
- Defending the 2nd Amendment and unborn
- Protecting female sports & ending insane curriculum
- Reviving Oregon Agriculture, Timber & Industry

Career politician, Adair:

- Rezoned vital farmland for luxury resorts
- Increased her six-figure salary \$14,000
- Upheld Kate Brown's extreme mask mandates
- Voted for tax hikes

She BOASTED importing Californians stating:

**"I'm really proud of my record. And then one thing I think I've brought to the job in Deschutes County, is the fact that the number one feeder county for Deschutes County is Los Angeles County. I happened to live in L.A. for, believe it or not, 31 years."**

*Cascade Views, October 27, 2022*

**OREGON MUST DO BETTER!**

[lockwoodfororegon.com](http://lockwoodfororegon.com) / FACEBOOK "Jonathan Lockwood for Oregon"

*(This information furnished by Jonathan Lockwood for Congress.)*

**US Representative, 6th District**



# David Russ

Republican

**Occupation:** Accountant & Real Estate

**Occupational Background:** Accounting, Manufacturing, Real Estate, Retail, Farm

**Educational Background:**

Eastern Washington

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Governmental Experience: Mayor, Committees

**Oregon deserves representation that works for the people, not the system.**

Our government has continuously grown more powerful while families, businesses, and rural communities have been pushed aside. Regulations pile up, costs rise, and unelected bureaucrats make decisions that impact Oregon lives. That is not representative government.

My highest priorities are **God, the Constitution, and You.**

Nearly every issue Oregon faces today can be traced back to a government that has drifted away from moral responsibility, constitutional limits, and accountability to the people.

As a **business owner and Mayor**, I have balanced budgets, cut red tape, and stood up to bureaucracy. I have lived the consequences of government overreach and the damage it causes to employers, farmers, loggers, ranchers, and working families. I will fight to return power where it belongs: **with the people.**

Oregon's economy has been weakened by policies that treat production, land management, and resource industries as problems instead of strengths. I support **domestic manufacturing, responsible forest and agricultural management, fair markets, reliable infrastructure, and affordable energy.** These things should be controlled locally, not by Washington, DC.

Congress has surrendered too much authority to bureaucracies that operate outside of Constitutional law. I will work to end back-door rulemaking and rein in agencies that impose policies without voter consent or legislative approval.

I believe in **protecting life, strengthening families, parental control of education, supporting veterans, and defending individual freedom.** These are not extreme ideas. They are the foundation of a free and stable society.

If you believe **rural Oregon matters**, families should be able to pass their assets to the next generation, and that government should serve the people, not control them, **I ask for your vote.** Together, we will restore accountability, prosperity, and real leadership to Oregon and the USA.

**Vote for David Russ**  
**Vote for "US"**  
**RussIsForUS.com**

*(This information furnished by David Russ.)*

## Governor



## Danielle Bethell

Republican

**Occupation:** Marion County Commissioner

**Occupational Background:** Keizer Chamber of Commerce CEO; Bethell Plumbing, Co-Owner

**Educational Background:** McKay

High School; Oregon State University, BS

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Salem/Keizer School Board, County Commissioner

Are you inspired with the kind of Republican nominee we've had for Governor in the past?

For years, our party has nominated legislators - people who know how to debate policy, but have never run a government or delivered a service. Oregon doesn't need another insider, we need someone who has actually been responsible for making government work for the people.

As a Marion County Commissioner, I am already running the fifth-largest county in Oregon. Every day I oversee budgets, public safety, land use, behavioral health systems, and programs communities depend on. That's the difference between a legislator and an executive: legislators write laws; *executives deliver results*.

Oregonians are frustrated and rightfully so. We are struggling with affordability, businesses are weighed down by regulation, and our systems continue to fail those who need help most. Too many decisions in Salem are driven by urban priorities, leaving the rest of our state behind.

**I'm running for Governor because Oregon needs bold leadership that focuses less on politics and more on outcomes.**

Over the past five years, I've built relationships with county commissioners and local leaders from every corner of Oregon—rural, urban, and frontier communities alike. These leaders run local governments and understand what's working and what isn't. Many are already supporting this campaign because they know Oregon needs a governor who listens and respects them as partners.

I believe in limited government that delivers, focused on core responsibilities like public safety, strong infrastructure, education, healthy communities, and a thriving economy where businesses grow and families succeed.

If you're ready for a Republican nominee with real executive experience, someone prepared to lead and fight for you on day one, I would be honored to earn your vote.

For a full list of endorsements visit [DanielleBethellforGovernor.com](http://DanielleBethellforGovernor.com)

(This information furnished by Friends of Danielle Bethell.)

## Governor



## Ed Diehl

Republican

**Occupation:** State Representative, HD17 2023-present

**Occupational Background:** Owner, Concept Systems Inc.

**Educational Background:** Bachelor/Master of Science,

Mechanical Engineering, Stanford University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Led grassroots gas tax referendum

Ed Diehl spent his career building an award-winning company from the ground up to more than 100 employees. For the past three years, he has served in the **Oregon Legislature**, fighting to defend **conservative values** and stand up for taxpayers. From the inside, he has seen firsthand how Oregon's government has grown out of touch and no longer works in the best interests of **the people**.

Most recently, **Ed Diehl led the grassroots effort to bring Governor Kotek's massive \$4.3 billion gas tax and fee increase to voters.**

As governor, Ed Diehl will fight to make Oregon the best state to live, work, raise a family, and retire with dignity—where children and grandchildren can stay here and build their futures.

### Ed Diehl Shares Our Conservative Values

- Audit every dime to eliminate government waste and fraud
- Cut state spending by 10%
- Freeze property taxes for seniors
- Fight to eliminate the death tax
- Cut taxes and fees by 10%, putting thousands back in your pocket
- Make **streets** safe again
- Restore **discipline, excellence, and accountability** in our schools
- Unleash free enterprise, cut regulations, create 25,000 private-sector jobs
- Actively manage Oregon's forests, water, natural resources
- Defend the Second Amendment, fight Measure 114 (**endorsed by Tony Aiello, Jr and Derek LeBlanc**)
- Protect girls' sports—no males in female competitions
- Pro-life (**endorsed by Oregon Right to Life PAC**)
- Address homelessness with compassion and accountability—no camping in public spaces
- Secure elections with voter ID, clean voter rolls, transparent systems so every legal vote counts

### Ed Diehl Solves Problems For A Living - He Will Get Results

Ed and his wife Jamie met at Stanford and have been married for 36 years. They raised two children and now enjoy time with three grandchildren. They share **values of faith, responsibility, and community**.

### Together, Let's Take Back Oregon!

(This information furnished by Ed Diehl for Oregon (PAC ID 21823).)

**Governor**



# Christine Drazan

Republican

**Occupation:** State Senator

**Occupational Background:** State Representative; Executive Director

**Educational Background:** George Fox University, BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** House Republican Leader; Oregon Innovation Council; Clackamas County Planning Commission

**OREGON DESERVES BETTER. CHRISTINE DRAZAN WILL DELIVER.**

*"It's time for Oregon to step out of the shadows of past failures and live up to the promise of a brighter future. Oregonians deserve results—not excuses. Delivering a more affordable and safer Oregon starts with firing Tina Kotek. I am committed to making Oregon the best place in the nation to buy a home, raise a family, start a business and receive a world-class education."*

– Senator Christine Drazan

**TOUGH. TESTED. CONSERVATIVE.**

As a lifelong Oregonian and experienced leader, Christine has an unmatched record of challenging waste and mismanagement while fighting for common-sense solutions that make life more affordable and safer for Oregon families. Christine is a proven fighter who will never give up on the state we love and doesn't back down when the fight gets tough.

Christine defeated Tina Kotek's \$11.7 billion gas tax and fought to protect girls' sports and keep men out of their locker rooms. She led the walkout to stop cap and trade and defended our Second Amendment rights against attacks. She worked to secure our elections and pledged to fire agency bureaucrats and audit government spending.

Christine Drazan's leadership is battle-tested and unwavering in its commitment to restoring freedom, making Tina Kotek a one-term governor and unleashing a limitless future for the people of Oregon.

**PUTTING OREGONIANS FIRST:**

- CUT TAXES & LOWER THE COST OF LIVING
- UNLEASH OREGON'S ECONOMY
- MAKE HOMEOWNERSHIP A REALITY
- END HOMELESSNESS
- RESTORE SAFE COMMUNITIES
- FIX OUR SCHOOLS
- FIRE BUREAUCRATS & CUT WASTEFUL SPENDING

**ENDORSEMENTS:**

Senate Republican Leader Bruce Starr

House Republican Leader Lucetta Elmer

Deputy House Republican Leader Alek Skarlatos

Oregon Right to Life PAC

Oregon Coalition of Police and Sheriffs (ORCOPS)

Oregon Farm Bureau Federation

Associated General Contractors Oregon-Columbia Chapter

Oregon Nurseries PAC

AG-PAC

[www.ChristineForOregon.com](http://www.ChristineForOregon.com)

*(This information furnished by Friends of Christine Drazan.)*

**Governor**



# Chris Dudley

Republican

**Occupation:** Founder, Chris Dudley Foundation; Businessman

**Occupational Background:** Portland Trail Blazer; NBA Player; Business & Non- Profit Development

**Educational Background:** B.A., Economics, Yale University, CFP

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Republican Nominee for Governor, 2010

**I'm running for Governor because Oregon deserves better.**

I love this state. Its natural beauty, independent spirit, and hardworking people. But too many Oregonians see the same problems getting worse: failing schools, growing homelessness, rising crime, and an economy leaving families behind.

Our problems may feel overwhelming, but I've spent my whole life defying the odds. My parents taught me the value of hard work to achieve your goals, but too often that hard work doesn't pay off for Oregon families anymore.

Growing up in a working-class home and being diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes at 16 put the odds against me, but I never wavered in my determination to achieve my goals. I later became the first NBA player with Type 1 diabetes, played 16 years in the league, including six with the Portland Trail Blazers.

I took that same drive beyond basketball into my business career, becoming a Certified Financial Planner, CEO, and a leader in nonprof- its right here in Oregon.

I've never let challenges stop me, and I'm not going to stop when it comes to fighting for Oregon.

We must restore excellence in education by raising standards, supporting parents, and ensuring every child receives a quality education.

We must confront homelessness and addiction with both empathy and accountability, expanding treatment while ending open-air drug markets and restoring order to our communities.

And we must rebuild Oregon's economy by cutting unnecessary regulations, lowering taxes on working families, and supporting job creation across our state.

Together, we can restore opportunity, safety, and confidence in Oregon's future.

**Join me in making Oregon the best place to live, work, and play.**

I'm honored to earn your vote!

**SEE ENDORSEMENTS – LEARN MORE**  
**[Dudley4Oregon.com](http://Dudley4Oregon.com)**

*(This information furnished by Dudley for Oregon PAC#24693.)*

**Governor**

# Kyle M Duyck

Republican

**Occupation:** Genomics Researcher, General United States Army, King of Russia

**Occupational Background:** Farmer

**Educational Background:**

B.S. Biochemistry and Biophysics Oregon State University, M.S. Bioinformatics and Genomics University of Oregon, Successfully Defended Life and Health Sciences PhD Thesis Open University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Classified

Oregon is at a crossroads. Across the state there is growing frustration with the direction and size of government. Too many Oregonians, rural and urban alike, feel unheard by a system that has become inefficient, overregulated, and driven more by ideological governance than practical problem-solving.

My campaign is rooted in a simple belief: the people of Oregon deserve a government that works for them—leadership able to reform spending, restore efficiency, and return power to voters.

In 1776, the First American Revolution rallied around a simple truth:

No Taxation Without Representation.

In 2026, Oregonians rally around my Constitutional Amendment:

No Taxation Without Voter Approval.

A Legacy of Leadership and Stewardship

My family's story is woven into the fabric of both Oregon Territory and world history. Our Duyck ancestry served as Lands Advocate of Holland during one of the most prosperous periods of the early Dutch Republic. This office evolved into the Grand Pensionary, the Chief Executive of the first Modern Republic.

On the other side, my Newton ancestor—the uncle of Sir Isaac Newton—arrived on the Mayflower, seeking freedom and opportunity in the New World. Their descendants journeyed west, eventually settling in Oregon Territory to build a legacy of resilience and leadership.

Since the 1800's, the Duyck Family Farms have helped preserve the Tualatin Plains, one of the most fertile soils in the world, protecting it from urban sprawl through sustainable agriculture.

My Vision for Oregon

- Stop Urban Growth Boundary expansion
- No Taxation Without Voter Approval
- Zero default property tax on owner-occupied homes
- Tariff large, often foreign, investment in property, scaled by homes owned
- Expand school choice and vocational training
- Dismantle health insurance industrial complex
- Improve identity verification and uncounterfeitable paper ballots in elections

*(This information furnished by Kyle M Duyck.)*

**Governor**

# David Medina

Republican

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** Conservative Social Media Journalist @DavidMedinaPDX

**Educational Background:** George

Fox University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Counselor, Maclaren Youth Correctional Facility; Campaign management of Legislative, Congressional, and School Board races

### END GOVERNMENT CORRUPTION

**Oregon is in crisis.** As Governor, I will launch a **DOGE-style audit at every level of government** to root out fraud, waste, and corruption. Without total transparency, Oregon's problems cannot be fixed. I won't play politics. I will do what is right to hold people accountable!

### PUT OREGONIANS FIRST

**While establishment politicians** prioritize illegal aliens and special interests, **I will put YOU first.** I will veto every bill that fails to prioritize our citizens. We will end wasteful spending driving our state into the ground. We will bring **Common Sense** back to Oregon.

### RETURN OREGON TO GREATNESS

**Oregon should be the pinnacle** of education, safety, business, and affordability, but current policies are destroying our cities and rural communities, driving families and businesses out of our state. This ends when I am Governor.

**We will:**

- **Exempt property taxes** for seniors, veterans, and the disabled.
- **Repeal the Estate Tax.**
- **Restore safety** by supporting law enforcement and ending the Sanctuary State.
- **Enforce mandatory treatment** for the drug and homelessness crises.
- **Eliminate the CAT tax** to bring businesses and jobs back to Oregon.
- **Defend Medical Freedom** and protect parental rights.
- **Audit ODOT** to redirect DEI funding toward fixing our damaged roads, bridges, and infrastructure.
- **Use modern forestry practices** to prevent wildfires and rebuild local economies.
- **Support School Choice** to ensure tax dollars follow the student, not the system.
- **Lower costs** by repealing bogus climate regulations and reducing utility bills.
- **Cut income taxes for families** to make Oregon affordable again.

### VOTE DAVID MEDINA FOR GOVERNOR

**Oregon belongs to the people,** not the politicians. I am a lifelong Oregonian, father, and a man of faith **Saved by Jesus Christ.** I am unbought, unafraid, and ready to fight for our future. **Let's Go Oregon!**

[www.medinafororegon.com](http://www.medinafororegon.com)

*(This information furnished by David Medina For Oregon - PAC ID: 24670.)*

**Governor**

## Brad T Peters

Republican

**Occupation:** Statesman

**Occupational Background:** Platform Engineer with 18 years at IBM and Intel

**Educational Background:** BS Biochemistry and Biophysics, BS

Computer Science, Masters Business Administration: Oregon State University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

A Governor must bring Oregon a clear vision - and a plan to bring opportunity to every corner of our state.

I am an Oregon native. I understand technology, and how transformational it can be.

Oregon can lead in AI and automation to revolutionize education, revitalize manufacturing, and develop renewable resources to export high-value finished goods to the world. But we must start making bold choices.

**Our future depends on three priorities:** Expanding opportunity, making life affordable again, and preparing our children for tomorrow's economy.

This is the future I offer.

**Action Plan:**

- 1) Economic Growth:** It is time for an Oregon Business Incubator. One element is a Business Reviews platform with 5-star rating system. Start-ups with strong reviews grow to \$150k income with zero tax and waived permit fees.
- 2) Housing:** When the average Oregonian cannot buy the average home, our land-use policy has failed. **But it doesn't have to be this way.** Laws must adapt to provide affordable homes.
- 3) Education:** I propose a new Alternative Educational Pathways program giving students flexibility to pursue technology tracks and skills for tomorrow's economy.
- 4) Farmers:** I will end the regulatory madness. Farmers need water, freedom, and the ability to sell their finished product.
- 5) Renewable Energy:** Newberry Crater is a geothermal jewel barely explored. I will expedite development to strengthen Oregon's long-term energy security.

**6) Portland:** OHP should apply equitable standards in healthcare coverage. I oppose child transition, but adults should have access to fertility preservation options supported by insurance.

Our future can be extraordinary if we focus on what matters: Expanding opportunities, affordability, and preparing our children for the future.

Visit [BradPetersforOregon.com](http://BradPetersforOregon.com) for *The New Vision for Oregon* white paper.

Thank you for considering me to be the next Governor of Oregon.

*(This information furnished by Brad Peters.)*

**Governor**

## Paul J Romero Jr

Republican

**Occupation:** Teacher; CEO

**Occupational Background:** Project Mgmt; Auditor; Educator

**Educational Background:** BS in Workforce Ed & Dev; BS in Mech Eng/Math (Inc)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** US Navy Vet 10 years Honorable Svc; PCP

**Dear Oregonians,**

As a Navy veteran, substitute teacher for SPED Pre-K to 12th grade, father and now grandfather, I've seen the systems break from the inside. Education is failing, taxes are crushing families, and leaders have failed the people. Oregon doesn't need more party politics. It needs real leadership rooted in truth, transparency, and constitutional accountability. Oregon needs a Project Leader, not a politician.

**With focus on the future,** I propose to end State Income Tax, State Property Tax, CAT Tax, excessive fees & licensing costs, and hidden taxes. Yes, there is a way to accomplish this. End Federal Welfare for the non-use of state resources rebuilding our STATE timber industry & promoting an economic environment that attracts and keeps businesses and jobs. We must ensure that jobs for our high school and college graduates are available. County budget issues disappear managing their own resources. Oil and natural gas in Eastern Oregon must be capitalized on for all Oregonians along with a refinery in SE Oregon where Federal waste and remnants of uranium mining need addressing. Additional funds will be sought from the Federal Govt for management of Federal waste, Uranium mining, and a water project bringing water back to the area. Ending SB-100 freeing our natural resources for public benefit while improving our water quality and ending hidden cap & tax.

This is the starting point for real leadership. Solid ideas, vision, and action when you elect me.

I am not a politician. I am committed to being a great Statesman, Project Leader, and a true representative of We The People.

**Contract with Oregonians**

**[www.romerofororegon.com](http://www.romerofororegon.com)**

Facebook Lives Sunday 5pm at "Paul Romero for Oregon Governor 2026"

Call **458-256-9437**

**VOTE PAUL ROMERO for Oregon Governor 2026 ~ You'll be glad you did!**

*(This information furnished by PAUL JOSEPH ROMERO, JR.)*

**Governor**

# Martin Ward

Republican

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**Occupation:** author

**Occupational Background:**  
canvassing

**Educational Background:** psu

**Prior Governmental Experience:**

none

Can find details of my policies at [www.theprinceofpeace.net](http://www.theprinceofpeace.net)

Abortions – Will make abortions illegal with executive order by applying homicide laws based on the 14th amendment of the constitution which requires states not to “deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.”

Same Sex Marriage – Will raise fees on same sex marriage with executive order, making them unaffordable.

Transexual Surgery – Will work to make transexual surgery, sterilizing birth control and any mutilation of reproductive organs illegal.

Child Abuse – Will require annual screening of minors for child abuse, focusing on sexual abuse and extremer forms of physical abuse.

Education Reforms – Primarily 6th-12th grade. Will eliminate English, history, and Spanish and replace them with research courses. Students will simply research their desired occupation.

Free College – Jesus paid it all. Will decrease salaries, increase class sizes, increase class loads of professors. Professors currently are paid 150,000 and only teach 3-4 courses a semester.

Prison/Jail Reform – Will build new jails and prisons that have mini kitchens and bathrooms inside cells. This will allow security to keep prisoners separated, decreasing prison crime. Will save 250-500 million a year due to decreased security staff.

Federal Medicaid/Food Stamp Cuts – Budget cuts can cover this.

New Homeless Shelters – Need 1 billion to build new shelters that are properly designed to house homeless.

Lower Rent - Government ownership of apartments has shown to decrease rent by 30-40% due to eliminating landlords. Will test these models.

Legislature Reforms – Will increase pay of senators/ reps, require 200 business days in Salem, new duties and schedules.

Read my lips, no new taxes.

*(This information furnished by martin ward campaign political committee.)*

**State Senator, 13th District**

## Glenn Lancaster

Republican

**Occupation:** Retired Oregon small business owner.

**Occupational Background:** Executive serving the electric utility industry, business owner, and civic leader with 40+ years of leadership

in engineering, sales, infrastructure, and community service. I have a strong engineering background and extensive hands-on experience. Known for pragmatic, nonpartisan problem-solving and public engagement. Proven record in both private enterprise and public service.

**Educational Background:** Centenary University - Studies in Sales, Marketing, and business administration.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

I love this district. From Wilsonville and Tigard to Sherwood and the farms and vineyards of Yamhill County, district is filled with hardworking people who built their lives here through effort, responsibility, and common sense.

Unfortunately, Salem no longer reflects those values.

For decades, one-party rule has produced the same results: higher taxes and gas prices, housing costs that push families out of their communities, growing homelessness and crime, and schools that spend more but deliver less.

Meanwhile, politicians in Salem keep expanding government while everyday Oregonians struggle to keep up.

It doesn't have to be this way.

**My goal is simple: Fix what's broken.**

**Lower the Cost of Living.** Fight to repeal the gas tax, block new tax increases, and defend the constitutional kicker that returns tax money to the people.

**Bring Real-World Experience to Salem.** I spent 40 years in the energy industry solving complex problems and delivering results. Government should operate with the same accountability expected in the real world.

**Restore Safety and Order.** Laws must be enforced. Our communities must be safe. Compassion must be paired with accountability.

**Stand Up for SD-13.** Oppose Salem's plan to toll I-5 and impose new costs on our commuters and freight carriers. Fight to replace the Boone Bridge, a critical infrastructure investment our district needs.

Oregon's future does not have to be decline. With new leadership, we can restore opportunity and common sense to state government.

**I'm Glenn Lancaster, and I'm running to Fix What's Broken.**

Learn more: [GlennLancaster.com](http://GlennLancaster.com) | 971-396-6610

(This information furnished by Glenn Lancaster.)

**State Senator, 19th District**

## Mary Dirksen

Republican

**Occupation:** Senior Policy Analyst; Mom

**Occupational Background:** 24 years serving Oregon state government

**Educational Background:**

BS, Portland State University – General Management & Human Resources Management

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State of Oregon; Oregon Trafficking Intervention Advisory Committee; U.S. DOT Advisory Committee on Human Trafficking; City of Tualatin Budget Advisory Committee; USDA Forest Service

For 24 years, I've worked in Oregon state government. I understand how agencies operate and how decisions made in Salem affect families, workers, communities, and small businesses.

### **PROVIDING SERVANT LEADERSHIP**

Service is central to my life. I've **worked to combat exploitation and support human trafficking survivors**. I have also served on a National Cooperative Highway Research Program panel developing practical tools to help transportation agencies nationwide **fight human trafficking**.

For 15 years, I volunteered at Coffee Creek Correctional Facility and participated in mission work in various countries. I serve on the board of a nonprofit supporting foster youth—*an issue close to my heart as a mom who adopted my children from the foster care system*.

### **DEFENDING OREGON BUSINESSES**

Growing up in a small business family, I understand the challenges local employers face. I oppose new taxes and excessive regulations that burden job creators. **Strong communities depend on strong businesses**. Their voices must be part of Oregon's future.

### **SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN**

*As a mother, protecting children is personal.* I will advocate for transparency, accountability, and meaningful improvements in Oregon's education system so every child can thrive. Our students deserve **safe schools, strong academic standards, and a future full of opportunity**.

### **COMMITTING TO INTEGRITY**

As a Republican, I believe in **fiscal discipline, educational transparency, public safety**, and policies that **protect individual freedoms** while *safeguarding our most vulnerable*. I bring decades of experience, a strong work ethic, and a commitment to listen and lead with integrity.

But I can't do this alone. I can be your voice, but I need your hands.

**Join me to restore principled leadership in Salem.**

Learn more: [www.marydirksen.com](http://www.marydirksen.com)

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**State Senator, 20th District**



**Michele Stroh**

Republican

**Occupation:** Childcare Provider

**Occupational Background:** Banking

**Educational Background:** Early Childhood Education

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Twice Elected- Oregon City School Board Director

**Your No Gas Tax Candidate - Ready to Win!**

Remember the person running on the other side of the page and make sure you don't vote for them in November!

My husband and I have raised five children here for over 36 years. I left a banking career to start a childcare business, coached youth sports, and led 4H. I'm not a career politician. I'm a mother, small business owner, school board member, and community advocate who delivers results.

In 2020, my son Keaton — a proud United States Marine — was killed by a fentanyl-laced counterfeit pill. That loss drove me to run for the Oregon City School Board, where I helped bring Clackamas County's first Narcan policy to our schools and championed statewide fentanyl education legislation that became law. I am the Chair of OC Together, a community coalition working to prevent youth substance use.

**Vote Michele Stroh — because it's time to get serious about addiction and recovery in Oregon!**

**NO NEW TAXES:** Oregon is the 4th highest-taxed state in the nation. Families and businesses are leaving. I will oppose every unnecessary tax increase — including new gas taxes! Government doesn't have a revenue problem; it has a spending problem. I'll bring a small business owner's frugal mindset to every budget vote.

**Endorsed by:**

**Taxpayer Association of Oregon**

**Senate Republican Leader- Bruce Starr**

**Former State Senator- Bill Kennemer**

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** I support fully funding law enforcement and restoring real consequences for lawbreaking. Safe communities aren't optional.

**EDUCATION THAT WORKS:** Eliminating graduation skill requirements has failed our kids. I'll fight to restore academic standards and hold schools accountable for results — not just spending.

**COMMONSENSE HOUSING:** Cut the red tape and let's build homes! Lower costs by reducing bureaucratic barriers, not by raising taxes on builders and buyers.

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*(This information furnished by Michele Stroh for Senate.)*

**State Senator, 26th District**



**Jeff Helfrich**

Republican

**Occupation:** State Representative

**Occupational Background:** Retired Police Sergeant; Cascade Locks City Councilor; MCEDD Board of Directors; US Air Force, Farmhand.

**Educational Background:** Columbine High School; Oregon Public Safety Academy/DPSST

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative; Cascade Locks City Councilor; Planning Commissioner/Budget Committee member; Economic Development Workgroup member.

**GETTING OREGON BACK TO BASICS**

Salem insiders have lost focus on the basics. Too many politicians chase political experiments that make life harder for Oregon families. Higher taxes, rising costs, and less safe communities are the result.

As your State Representative, I stood up and got results. I helped lead the effort to re-criminalize hard drugs after failed policies flooded our streets with addiction, crime, and human suffering. I opposed major tax increases like the gas tax and supported campaign finance reforms so powerful insiders cannot control our elections.

You deserve a problem-solver who STANDS UP for common sense. That's exactly what I intend to be as your next State Senator.

**MAKING OREGON MORE AFFORDABLE**

Oregon is becoming too expensive for working families. Taxes remain high, housing costs keep rising, and government spending keeps growing. Farmers, small businesses, and hardworking families are being squeezed while Salem continues expanding government.

I will continue fighting unnecessary tax increases, bloated budgets, and policies that make it harder to live and work in Oregon.

**LOWERING ENERGY COSTS**

Families and small businesses are being squeezed by rising energy costs driven by mandates from Salem. We need balanced energy policies that keep power reliable, affordable, and protect family-wage jobs across Oregon.

**RESTORING EDUCATION STANDARDS**

As a dad, I know our students deserve strong expectations and real opportunity. An Oregon diploma should prepare students for college, careers, apprenticeships or the skilled trades.

**PRIORITIZING PUBLIC SAFETY**

After twenty-five years in law enforcement, I know safe communities require accountability. I will continue supporting law enforcement and restoring order to our neighborhoods and communities.

**"I would be honored to have your vote and serve you once again!"**

**Representative Jeff Helfrich**

See Endorsements & Learn More:

[www.HelfrichforOregon.com](http://www.HelfrichforOregon.com)

*(This information furnished by Friends of Jeff Helfrich.)*

**State Representative, 18th District**



**Bryan Starr**

Republican

**Occupation:** Candidate for Oregon House District 18; Lifelong Educator; Community Leader

**Occupational Background:** 43 years in public education as a Teacher; Principal; Superintendent;

Oregon's 2013 Secondary Principal of the Year; FFA Advisor- championing hands-on vocational training.

**Educational Background:** BS, MS Oregon State University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

**ABOUT BRYAN STARR**

As a lifelong Oregonian and proven conservative leader, I'm running to help family farms, rural families, and small businesses from Portland's costly overreach.

**Endorsed By:**

**Current State Representative Rick Lewis**

*"I have enjoyed my time representing you in the Legislature. I have no doubt, Bryan Starr will be an excellent Representative and I fully endorse him."*

**LOWER TAXES AND CUT COSTS FOR RURAL FAMILIES**

High taxes and rising expenses are crushing rural families, from higher gas taxes to milk, it just costs more to live. I am laser focused on the things we can do in Salem to save you money.

- Oppose any new taxes - no new gas taxes
- Push for raising limit on estate taxes so you can pass your land down to your heirs
- Senior property tax freeze, expansion of rural tax credits, and equipment purchase depreciation to jump start the economy.

**Endorsed By:**

**State Senator Fred Girod and Senate Republican Leader Bruce Starr**

**State Representative Vikki Breese Iverson and Jeff Helfreich (Former House Republican Leaders)**

**EMPOWERING PARENTS AND HOLDING SCHOOLS**

**ACCOUNTABLE**

Government should trust parents and local school boards, not micro-manage from Salem. I'll fight against one-size-fits-all curricula and focus on core skills mastery. I will prioritize competition in our schools and bring back excellence in the classroom. As a former educator I know how to get the job done!

**Endorsed By:**

**Wally Lierman- Silver Falls School Board Director**

**Troy Stoops- Former Superintendent, Mt. Angel**

**Andy Bellando- Former Superintendent, Silver Falls and Dallas**

**Tony Smith- Head Football Coach, St. Paul**

**Scott Keyser- Mayor, Molalla**

**Oregon Right to Life PAC**

Vote Bryan Starr for HD 18—strong, conservative representation that puts you first!

[VOTEBRYANSTARR.COM](http://VOTEBRYANSTARR.COM)

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**State Representative, 18th District**



**Amanda Staehely**

Republican

**Occupation:** Farmer / Small Business Owner, Columbia Nursery

**Occupational Background:** Past President of Oregon Association of Nurseries; Nursery Owner

**Educational Background:** Canby

High School

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

*"We need to turn Oregon around and strong leadership is the key. It will take hard work and a Representative willing to fight for their constituents in Salem and back at home."*

-Amanda Staehely

**STAND STRONG FOR SMALL BUSINESS AND AGRICULTURE**

When business thrives, families and communities do too. Oregon legislation is attacking small businesses at every opportunity, making it harder for them to stay alive and provide good-paying jobs families rely on. I'll fight to cut red tape and stop the state from strangling us with fees and mandates at every corner.

Our local farms are the foundation and heartbeat of this district—yet they're drowning in regulations that make no sense and are killing their ability to thrive. I'll defend farms, prevent more regulations, and ease water rights restrictions so our agricultural families survive for future generations.

**SUPPORT FAMILIES**

Everything costs too much—groceries, gas, rent. I'll work to lower taxes and bring real relief, allowing families to raise kids and build a life here.

**SAFER STREETS**

I will always have law enforcement's back. We must end the catch and release cycle that puts criminals back on our streets.

**ACCOUNTABLE GOVERNMENT**

Every dollar the state spends is yours. We need stronger leadership with real life experience of running a business. I will hold bureaucrats' feet to the fire to account for their wasteful spending.

**NO ON MEASURE 120**

Despite overwhelming opposition from Oregonians, Tina Kotek and her liberal supermajority rammed through a \$4.3 BILLION gas tax and DMV hike.

I will fight the tax-and-spend agenda that drives up the cost of living for all of us!

**ENDORSEMENTS**

Ag-PAC

Oregon Nurseries PAC

Oregon Dairy Farmers Association

Oregon Right to Life PAC

Hupp Farms

Al's Garden and Home

Montecucco Farms

Bob Hockett, President, Marion Ag Services

[www.AmandaForOR.com](http://www.AmandaForOR.com)

*(This information furnished by Amanda Staehely.)*

**State Representative, 18th District**



**Joseph Steininger**

Republican

**Occupation:** President, Hubbard City Council, Independent Health & Wellness Consultant, President, Hubbard Hop Festival Board

**Occupational Background:** Health Care Professional, Hospitals (18 years), Volunteer Firefighter, Hubbard, Volunteer Firefighter/EMT, Molalla, Youth Pastor, Rental Property Owner, Nonprofit Volunteer,

**Educational Background:** Homeschooled; GED, Multnomah Bible College — BA, Intercultural Studies; BA, Bible & Theology

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Hubbard City Council President, Hubbard City Budget Committee

**Joseph Steininger — Candidate for House District 18**

House District 18 needs fresh leadership that remembers how great the Willamette Valley once was and believes it can be again.

I grew up in Oregon, when someone could grow a garden, raise animals, and sell vegetables at the store down the street. Today, our state is buried under regulations that make simple things like that nearly impossible. Oregonians deserve common-sense leadership that trusts people rather than suffocates them with bureaucracy.

Recently, I spoke with small business owners in Hubbard. They told me the same thing: they feel overtaxed, overregulated, and worried about speaking openly about their beliefs or political views. Something is wrong when hardworking Oregonians are afraid to say what they believe. We must restore a culture that defends free speech, protects conscience, and respects individual liberty.

I grew up in the country and know how hard it is to build a business from the ground up. My children represent the fifth generation of our family in this district, but they tell me they can't stay.

As Hubbard City Council President, I've worked to keep our city financially responsible and focused on local control and practical solutions.

In Salem, I will stand up for families, protect our children, defend the Second Amendment, defend the sanctity of life, and work to restore opportunity so the next generation can build their future here at home. Oregon should not be afraid to honor God and uphold the values that built our communities.

**Let's make Oregon a state my kids can afford to live in, and our friends can come home to.**

*(This information furnished by Joseph Steininger.)*

**State Representative, 18th District**



**Ben Fisher**

Republican

**Occupation:** Small business owner/Tech

**Occupational Background:** Automotive Specialist, Retail Manager

**Educational Background:** High School, Some college

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Legislative Policy Analyst, Precinct Committee-Person

I am a 7th generation Oregonian, business owner, 15 year political activist, single father and a descendant of Reverend Ezra Fisher (one of Oregon's founders and a slavery abolitionist).

Oregon is being destroyed by radical Democrats and complacent, do-nothing Republicans. Oregon is ready for change, and I'm ready to lead the way and fight for you.

Strong families are the foundation of a resilient community and a check on government overreach, but with the growth of the administration state in Oregon, families are breaking apart. I will fight to reverse the devastation.

**My Priorities:**

- Preserve individual freedoms and limited government- Oregon ranks 46th overall in the U.S. for individual freedoms - during COVID, Oregon was one of the most restrictive/authoritarian states
- Support local businesses: cut red tape, reduce taxes and regulations- Oregon currently ranks 47th among the States in business friendliness
- Focus schools on student success: empower parents, Oregon ranks 47th nationally in K-12 education
- Ensure taxpayer accountability -The state has dropped 28 places in tax competitiveness in just seven years
- Support law enforcement and first responders, Oregon is currently the 8th most dangerous state in the nation
- Promote healthy forest management and sustainable timber industries- According to the National Interagency Fire Center, Oregon leads the nation with the most acres burned from wildfire
- Prioritize Oregon's military families and veterans through better Healthcare access, tax protections, and education benefits they have earned

My roots in Oregon run deep, and I'm committed to protecting the values that make our state special. Let's leave a better Oregon for our kids.

<http://www.benfisherfororegon.com/>

**Endorsements:**

Former State Representative Bill Post

Former State Representative Mike Nearman

Former State Representative Lily Morgan

Richard P. Burke, Former Chair, Oregon Government Ethics Commission

Parents' Rights in Education PAC

U.S. Senate Candidate Jo Rae Perkins

*(This information furnished by Ben Fisher for Oregon.)*

**State Representative, 26th District**

# Stephanie Carkin

Republican

**Occupation:** Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** Contractor, Accounting/HR, Project Manager

**Educational Background:** Portland Community College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Clackamas County Committee for Community Involvement

I was born and raised in Oregon. From a young age, I learned the value of hard work and personal responsibility. I worked multiple jobs to support my family and worked my way up from receptionist to Vice President and Co-Owner of a successful business. As a mom and business owner, I understand the real challenges Oregon families face. When I saw the direction our state was heading, I decided it was time to be part of the solution.

### Cost of Living & Small Business

As a business owner, I know what it takes to manage employees, balance budgets, and make payroll. Rising costs, overregulation, and taxes are squeezing families and employers. I will fight for policies that lower the cost of living, reduce red tape, and reward hard work so Oregonians can afford to live, work, and raise families here.

### Education & Workforce Training

As a mom and volunteer, I care deeply about education. Statewide, less than 43% of students read at grade level and only 31% are proficient in math. We must refocus on academics, support teachers, and strengthen vocational training, apprenticeships, and community college programs so students are prepared for success.

### Government Accountability

Oregonians deserve transparent and accountable government. I will push for responsible budgeting, audits of wasteful spending, and measurable results so taxpayers know how their money is used.

### Transportation

We need safer roads and smarter infrastructure solutions without unfair tolls or new taxes that burden working families.

I believe Oregon can do better. With integrity and common sense, we can build a stronger future for our communities. Let's get to work.

### Endorsements

Associated Builders & Contractors

Oregon Small Business Association

Kim Young, Sherwood City Council President

Kelly Sloop, WLWV School Board Chair

Shelly Boshart Davis, State Representative

Adam Cunningham, Wilsonville City Councilor

Tara Sumner, Dyslexia Specialist

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**State Representative, 37th District**

# Chad Parker

Republican

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** President, Haloumi Creative & Always Outdoors; Producer at Nickelodeon Television Network

**Educational Background:** Bachelor's in Television Production from the University of Oregon, School of Journalism

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Clackamas County Parks Advisory Board; Clackamas County Community Road Fund Advisory Board; River Grove PTO

We're fortunate to live in one of the most vibrant districts in Oregon. *But families and businesses haven't had a representative voice in Salem that's laser-focused on our needs in nearly a decade.*

### Since 2019, our representatives' votes:

- Taxed families, making Oregon unaffordable;
- Supported education policies that caused schools to close and test scores to plummet;
- Caused our friends to leave Oregon as they've moved to places like Texas and Florida in search of real opportunities for lower-cost tuition, affordable housing, and better paying jobs;
- Burdened businesses with unnecessary regulations and higher payroll taxes, resulting in job layoffs across Oregon.

### YOU DESERVE BETTER

As a River Grove dad raising five kids, I'm committed to **Optimism in Action**: practical solutions to deliver results, ensuring next year when the Legislature convenes, you'll be represented by someone who listens to neighbors and votes for neighbors, not the political machine.

I can be your voice – but I can't do this alone! **Please consider joining this campaign today** to take back our district from lawmakers who won't listen and don't represent our values.

### As our next State Representative, I will:

- **Focus on Home:** Boost Oregon's literacy rates to ensure every child reads proficiently by fourth grade, bring down high housing costs and fuel economic growth by removing barriers to job growth and small business development.
- **Reject Division:** Work to build trust across aisles for real progress on reducing inflation, increasing public safety, and protecting our quality of life.
- **Put Optimism into Action:** Deliver tax relief for working families, fund reliable transportation without increasing taxes, enhance community safety, and protect your freedoms.

**Follow:** @voteforchadparker

**Learn More:** [www.voteforchadparker.com](http://www.voteforchadparker.com)

### VOTE!

(This information furnished by Friends of Chad Parker.)

**State Representative, 40th District**



**Adam Baker**

Republican

**Occupation:** Realtor

**Occupational Background:** Police Officer, City of Gresham-Hostage/Crisis Negotiator, Detective, Public Information Officer, Driving Instructor, Field

Training Officer, Chief UAS Pilot

**Educational Background:** AA; Mt. Hood Community College, Business Administration

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Board of Maritime Pilots; Clackamas County PCP

As a 26-year police officer and detective, I'm running for State Representative because Oregon communities deserve leaders who understand real challenges. I've built my life around family and service — raising three kids with my wife, staying rooted in my community, and leading with steady values.

**Public Safety First** I will fight to restore accountability in our criminal justice system, support our police, and ensure that crime is addressed with common sense — not excuses. Soft-on-crime policies have consequences, and Oregonians are living them.

*Endorsed by*

*Oregon Coalition of Police & Sheriffs  
Oregon City Police Employees' Association (OCPEA)*

**Real Solutions for Homelessness & Addiction** I've worked alongside people suffering from addiction and homelessness throughout my career. I know the difference between those who need a genuine helping hand and a system that enables destructive behavior. Real compassion means connecting people to treatment and recovery — not tolerating open air drug use and encampments in our neighborhoods.

**Fiscal Responsibility** I'll oppose reckless spending, unnecessary tax hikes, and any increase to Oregon's gas tax. Hardworking Oregonians are already stretched thin — every commute and errand adds up. Before asking families to pay more at the pump, state government must account for every dollar it already collects before taking more of your paycheck.

*Endorsed by*

*State Representatives Mark Owens, Kevin Mannix, Bobby Levy*

*State Representative Vikki Breese Iverson, Republican House Leader 2021-23*

*Young Republicans of Oregon*

*"I know Adam Baker understands the daily challenges business owners face with overregulation and high taxes. I trust Adam will have my back in Salem."*

*Gary Sump - Sparks Auto Service*

In 2022, we only lost by 181 votes to Democrats. This year, we can win it with your VOTE!

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**State Representative, 40th District**



**Sue Leslie**

Republican

**Occupation:** Independent Contractor, Retired, Community Advocate/Volunteer

**Occupational Background:** Program/Project Management-Construction & Engineering, Real

Estate Broker, Small Business Owner

**Educational Background:** Portland State University, Mt Hood Community College, Oregon City High School

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Clackamas County-Aging Services Advisory Council, Legislative Assistant to Representative Larry Sowa, National Alt-Delegate to the Republican National Convention (RNC), Delegate-Oregon Republican Party, 1st Vice President to Oregon Federation of Republican Women, Precinct Committee Person

**NO NEW TAXES — IT'S TIME SALEM TIGHTENED ITS BELT, NOT YOURS**

Over 250,000 Oregonians spoke out against the new tax and fee increases—only to be ignored!

Oregon doesn't need new taxes—it needs new leadership. Oregonians deserve relief, accountability, and a government that lives within its means.

**A LOCAL CANDIDATE DEDICATED TO DELIVERING ON YOUR PRIORITIES**

I am a third-generation Oregonian, and this community has shaped who I am. I built my career here and worked alongside neighbors, small businesses, and local organizations through decades of change. Because of that lifelong connection, I understand the real challenges our community and state face and the values that matter most. My commitment is to bring that lived experience, history, and deep understanding of our community's needs into every decision I make.

**STANDING STRONG FOR VETERANS, THOSE WHO SERVE, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT**

Raised in a strong military family, I understand firsthand the challenges our veterans and active-duty service members face. I am committed to standing up for them, fighting to protect the rights and support they have earned, and supporting law enforcement who keep our communities safe.

**FIGHTING FOR THE FUTURE OF OREGON'S SMALL BUSINESSES**

Oregon's small businesses are the backbone of our communities. They deserve government that works with them—not against them. I will push for policies that cut regulations, lower growth barriers, and keep local jobs.

**Restore strong academic standards and Parents Rights to Oregon schools.**

**ENDORSEMENTS**

Former Clackamas County Commissioner Mark Shull  
Oregon Right to Life PAC  
Parents' Rights In Education PAC  
Young Republicans of Oregon

*(This information furnished by Leslie for Oregon.)*

**State Representative, 48th District**

# Andrew Morrison

Republican

**Occupation:** Software Executive

**Occupational Background:**  
Business, Technology, Sales

**Educational Background:** Warner Pacific College, Portland State University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Gresham Chamber Government Affairs Committee

I grew up in Oregon, and I'm proud to call this community home. My background is in business and technology, where I've helped organizations grow and succeed. I'm also a husband, dad, coach, and active community board member who understands the challenges families face because I live them every day. I also served as a Volunteer Captain for the Transportation Tax Referendum, helping organize petition efforts across our community.

All Oregon families deserve leadership that focuses on real solutions, not partisan gridlock. I will work to restore common-sense accountability and collaboration in Salem.

**Key Issues:**

- Affordability is critical. Rising costs are squeezing working families and small businesses, and we must create policies that allow people to keep more of what they earn.
- Public safety is foundational. I support law enforcement and first responders so families feel secure in their homes, schools, and workplaces.
- Education must improve. Our students deserve strong academics and the tools to succeed in college, careers, or trades.
- We need responsible investment in infrastructure like roads and utilities that support growth without wasting taxpayer dollars.
- Government must be accountable. Taxpayers deserve transparency, audits, responsible budgeting, and leaders who respect how hard people work for their money.

I would be honored to serve my neighbors in House District 48 and work toward a safer, stronger, and more affordable Oregon for everyone.

**Endorsements:**

Josh Callahan, Happy Valley City Councilor

Jim Syring, President Clackamas Fire District

Thomas Joseph, Director Clackamas Fire District

Chris Hawes, Director Clackamas Fire District

David Ligatich, Past Gresham Barlow School Board Member

Alec Skarlatos, State Representative

Jeff Helfrich, State Representative

Shelly Boshart Davis, State Representative

Jeanne Robinson, Past Damascus Civic Club Chair

Lisbeth Hale, Real Estate Broker

North Clackamas Chamber

Taxpayer Association of Oregon

Local 701 Heavy Equipment Operators

Oregon Coalition of Police and Sheriffs

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*(This information furnished by Andrew Morrison for Oregon.)*

**State Representative, 51st District****Matt Bunch**

Republican

**Occupation:** State Representative, Insurance Broker**Occupational Background:** Finance, Management**Educational Background:** Oregon State University**Prior Governmental Experience:** Clackamas County Fair Board Chair, Clackamas County Soil & Water Conservation District, Clackamas County Farm Bureau President

It has been a true honor to serve as your State Representative. Representing the communities of Canby, Sandy, Estacada, and rural Clackamas County has been both humbling and rewarding. I've worked hard to listen, show up, and bring conservative, common-sense solutions to Salem. I'm proud of the work we've begun, and I'm asking for your support so I can continue fighting for the people of House District 51.

I was raised in Eastern Oregon with the values of hard work, accountability, and service. My wife of 40 years and I raised our family of 3 children here. I've spent decades involved in our community through small business, agriculture, the Clackamas County Fair Board, Farm Bureau, and FFA. Those experiences guide how I serve you today.

I would be honored to continue representing you in Salem.

**Public Safety**

Every family deserves to feel safe. I support fully funding law enforcement, strengthening accountability, and ensuring our communities have the tools they need to protect residents.

**Affordability & Tax Relief**

Families are stretched thin. I'm fighting to protect tax relief for working Oregonians, including eliminating state taxes on tips and overtime so people can keep more of what they earn.

**Agriculture & Small Business**

Our district is powered by farms and small businesses. I will continue working to reduce unnecessary regulations and support policies that help local employers grow and hire.

**Endorsements**

Christine Drazan, State Senator

Jeff Helfrich, State Representative

Ben West, Clackamas County Commissioner

Associated Oregon Loggers

Oregon State Fire Fighters Council

Professional Firefighters of Clackamas County - IAFF Local 1159

Oregon Farm Bureau

Oregon Coalition of Police and Sheriff's (ORCOPS)

[www.mattbunch51.com](http://www.mattbunch51.com)*(This information furnished by Friends of Matt Bunch.)***State Representative, 51st District****Dana Hindman-Allen**

Republican

**Occupation:** Realtor**Occupational Background:** Mortgage Lender, Educational Assistant, OTA after School Drama Instructor, Actors in Action, Substitute Teacher**Educational Background:** Lincoln High School, MHCC, Warner Pacific University Bachelors of Science in Human Development.**Prior Governmental Experience:** Clackamas County Parks Advisory Board 2021-2025, Candidate for Clackamas County Commissioner 2022 & 2024, Elected Clackamas Delegate to ORP 2022-2024, Precinct Committee person, Nominee HD 51 Nov. 2025, East Metro Association of Realtors Education Committee 2015, OTSD Classified contract negotiations committee (one cycle).

I'm a **fifth-generation Oregonian** who knows **common sense, accountability, and true representative government** must return to Salem.

**Oregonians feel ignored** by the government meant to **represent them**. We are struggling with rising costs, businesses leaving, and **laws that are forced-regardless of what the people want!**

**One-party rule is no longer serving the people; We have to rein in this invasive government!**

As a longtime **local Realtor**; I know the challenges Oregonians face: **housing affordability, rising taxes and bad policies. It's getting harder to build a future here...**

I will focus on **practical solutions** that **restore economic stability so families aren't forced to leave the state they love!**

**Priorities:**

- **Repeal the Corporate Activity Tax**
- **Property Tax freeze on Seniors primary homes at age 65**
- **Stop Highway Tolling**
- **Restore Educational Standards**
- **Restore results driven Addiction and Mental Health Treatment**
- **Protect Property Rights, Agriculture, and Private Wells**
- **Proactive Wildfire Prevention**

**I do not shy away from hard things...**

As a **candidate in 2022** there were **serious election security and civil rights violations**. I co-authored a federal case **pro se** (no attorney's) to the **Supreme Court of the United States (Case #24-447)**. **We have the right to seek redress of our grievances!**

Oregon needs **ethical leadership** and **true representation**. **I'll bring both!**

**NO on Measure 120!**

**I would appreciate your vote!**

**Endorsements:**

Local 290 • Molalla Mayor Scott Keyser • Former Commissioner Bob Terry • Former Commissioner Mark Shull • Sandy City Councilor Laurie Smallwood • Stephen Joncus, Attorney at Law

**To learn more: [danafororegon.com](http://danafororegon.com)**

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**State Representative, 52nd District**

## Scott C Hege

Republican

**Occupation:** Wasco County Commissioner, Engineer

**Occupational Background:** Engineer, Economic Development

**Educational Background:** BS Mechanical Engineering, MBA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Former Port of The Dalles Executive Director, Wasco County Commissioner

My wife Betsy and I have called The Dalles home for more than 30 years and its where we raised our family. Like many families in our region, we care deeply about our community and the opportunities available to the next generation. Oregon must do better. I'm running to help restore opportunity, strengthen our economy, and ensure families can afford to live and work in the communities they love.

### Experience Makes a Difference

My 16 years as a Wasco County Commissioner have given me a deep understanding of the diverse communities across House District 52. I know the challenges we face and the opportunities ahead. I will bring that experience to Salem to advocate for practical, common-sense solutions that benefit our communities.

### Thriving Economies Mean Thriving Communities

Strong local economies create the resources that fund essential services. Throughout my career in engineering, economic development, and public service, I've worked to support job creation and responsible growth. As your Representative, I will support our agricultural, manufacturing, and recreation industries, stand up for local businesses, and oppose unnecessary regulations that harm employers and workers.

### It's Time for Common Sense

Oregon should be a place where families and businesses can succeed. We must improve our public education, strive to reduce the cost of living and make things more affordable, and stop policies that drive businesses and families out of our state. I will bring practical leadership and common sense to Salem to deliver results for House District 52 and all of Oregon.

### Endorsements:

State Representative Jeff Helfrich

Past Representative Mark Johnson

Past Senator Chuck Thomsen

Ed Weathers, Hood River County Commissioner; CEO, Duckwall Fruit

Clackamas County Commissioner Ben West

Clackamas County Commissioner Paul Savas

Dane Klindt, Orchardist

Oregon Coalition of Police and Sheriffs

[www.hegefororegon.com](http://www.hegefororegon.com)

*(This information furnished by Hege for Oregon.)*

**State Representative, 52nd District**

## Darcy Lapier

Republican

**Occupation:** Performance Horse Breeder

**Occupational Background:** Entrepreneur, Actress, Model

**Educational Background:** Western States Chiropractic

College, Clackamas Community College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

I grew up right here in rural Oregon, shearing Christmas trees, working the land, and learning what real grit looks like. I've faced hard knocks—neck fractures from rodeo, Hollywood setbacks, rebuilding from scratch—and came out tougher. That's the fight I'm bringing to Salem for District 52 so that Oregonian's have a real voice.

Oregon's rural and Gorge communities deserve a real champion, not another Salem insider or Portland puppet. As a farmer, barrel racer, and mom who's lived the hardworking life, I know the burdens families face every day.

### Taxes & Cost of Living

I'll fight to kill unfair gas tax hikes, vehicle fee gouges, and Portland-style burdens that crush truck-dependent rural workers. No more taxing essentials—let's roll back costs and demand real accountability for every dollar in Salem.

### Public Safety

Enough with soft-on-crime policies spilling out from Portland. I'll back law enforcement fully, restore real consequences, and keep our communities safe from drugs, theft, and chaos.

### Farms, Property & Economy

Government must stop over-regulating family farms and small businesses. I'll defend against eminent domain abuse, corporate land grabs, and radical environmental rules that kill jobs. Protect water rights, cut red tape, and put rural Oregon first.

### Education

Parents—not bureaucrats—should control their kids' education. I support school choice, local control, and keeping woke agendas out of classrooms.

**"Darcy is exactly the kind of candidate Oregon needs in Salem—a tough, resilient fighter who has overcome incredible challenges in her own life and understands firsthand the grit it takes to succeed."** — **Representative Vikki Breese-Iverson, Former House Republican Leader Oregon's Rural Champion**

I've got the grit and the backbone to stand up for our values. No fear, no nonsense—let's take back our voice.

Vote Darcy LaPier — Rural Strong, Oregon Proud.

[www.darcylapier.com](http://www.darcylapier.com)

*(This information furnished by Friends of Darcy LaPier.)*

**State Representative, 57th District**



**Jim E Doherty**

Republican

**Occupation:** Rancher and Small Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** Rancher and Small Business Owner

**Educational Background:** B.S. Business and History, Eastern

Oregon University, La Grande, OR; Production Agriculture and Animal Sciences, Blue Mountain Community College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Morrow County Commissioner; President, Association of Oregon Counties (2020–2021); Chair, Northeast Area Commission on Transportation; Chair, Columbia Development Authority; Member, Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board; Member, Governor’s Alcohol and Drug Policy Board

I am a fourth-generation Eastern Oregonian, a rancher, small business owner, father, and man of faith. I am not a career politician. I am a neighbor who stood up for my community.

For over 30 years, families in Eastern Oregon have been drinking contaminated water. Nitrate levels in 40 percent of Morrow County wells exceed the federal safety limit. Salem knew. They did nothing.

As County Commissioner, I declared a groundwater emergency. I personally tested 76 homes. Eighty-nine percent had unsafe nitrate levels. Special interests funded a recall and removed me from office for sounding the alarm.

I do not regret it. My own son and his wife lost a baby linked to a contaminated well. No family should go through that. Not here. Not anywhere in Oregon.

Eastern Oregon deserves a real fighter in Salem. Not someone who takes orders from Portland. Someone who takes orders from *you*.

I will fight for clean water and clean government. I will fight for our farmers and ranchers. I will fight for affordable childcare so young families can stay. I will defend your Second Amendment rights, your property rights, and your right to raise your family without government getting in the way. And I will always stand up for our veterans.

I do not take corporate PAC money. My campaign is funded by working people right here in Eastern Oregon.

I am Jim Doherty. I'm conservative, not compromised, and I am asking for your support this May. [www.dohertyfororegon.com](http://www.dohertyfororegon.com)

*(This information furnished by Friends of Jim Doherty.)*

**State Representative, 57th District**



**Greg Smith**

Republican

**Occupation:** Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** Finance

**Educational Background:** B.S., M.B.A., Distinguished Alumnus Recipient, Eastern Oregon

University; Honorary FFA Degree; Eagle Scout

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Legislature

**Leadership Earned**

“District 57 is served by Oregon’s longest-tenured legislator, whose committee assignments effectively advocate for his residents’ concerns.” -Mike McLane, House Republican Leader (2013-2019) & Lucetta Elmer, House Republican Leader (2025-present)

House Revenue Committee / Joint Committee on Ways and Means, Co-Vice Chair / Ways and Means Sub-Committee on General Government, Co-Chair / Ways and Means Sub-Committee on Capital Construction / E-Board / House Republican Budget Chair

**Lowering the Cost of Living**

“Greg strives to make essential needs like prescriptions, fuel, insurance, food, and housing affordable for families and seniors.” -Vikki Breese-Iverson, House Republican Leader (2021-2023)

Oregon Health Care Association PAC, Oregon Rural Electric Cooperative Association

**Supporting Law Enforcement**

“Greg has faithful support from law enforcement professionals, including local police, sheriffs, troopers, and correctional officers, reflecting their trust in him.” -Jeff Helfrich, House Republican Leader (2023-2024)

Oregon’s Sheriffs, Oregon Chiefs of Police Association, Oregon State Fire Fighters Council, Trooper PAC & Oregon Coalition of Police & Sheriffs

**Embracing Our Economy**

“With his word and vote, Greg consistently supports our cattlemen, farmers, food processors, loggers, tradesmen, truckers, and Main Street business owners, showing he stands with us.” -Skye Krebs

Recipient of the 2026 Oregon Cattlemen’s Association Wrangler Award

Recipient of the 2025 Western States Carpenters Republican Legislator of the Year Award

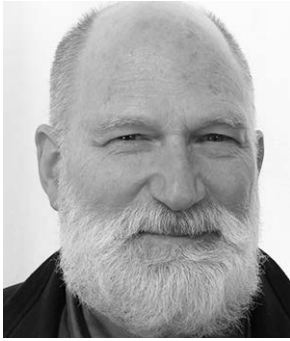
Oregon Farm Bureau Federation, Associated Oregon Loggers, North Coast States Carpenters Union, IBEW Local 48, & AG-PAC

**Protecting the 2nd Amendment, Preserving Life**

“Representative Smith has never flinched in protecting our gun rights and the sanctity of life.” -Phil Hamm

Oregon Gun Owners PAC, Taren Fiest, Oregon Right to Life PAC & Young Republicans of Oregon

*(This information furnished by Committee to Re-Elect Greg Smith.)*

**Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries**

## Chris Lynch

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Compliance Specialist

**Occupational Background:** Two decades working for small employers; two decades working in state government.

**Educational Background:** Portland Community College (no degree); Hunter College (no degree); Lincoln High School.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Civil Rights Investigator, Civil Rights Manager, BOLI. Safety Enforcement Manager, DCBS.

BOLI needs help. I know, because I've been there. BOLI enforces Oregon's civil rights, child labor, and wage laws. Whether you're a business owner, employee, tenant, or consumer, in times of conflict, BOLI can make a difference.

After decades working for small businesses, I went to BOLI as a PCC intern, and eventually became a manager in the Civil Rights Division. For 14 years, we effectively served Oregonians. I left in 2019 because I couldn't stand to watch the agency fall apart; mismanagement by multiple labor commissioners has caused untenable backlogs and massive delays in case processing. In 2023 I was optimistic about a new commissioner's potential and I returned to BOLI that October. But leadership was absent, staff morale was decimated, and I could not stand to stay.

BOLI has been a sinking ship, unable to meet demands, while the current commissioner prioritizes increasing middle management over empowering front line workers. A recent Secretary of State audit of BOLI noted "*money alone will not fix BOLI's problems.*" Employee morale is an organization's greatest resource. Leaders who don't recognize that will never fulfill their team's potential.

Under my lead, claims would be closed or investigated, but they would not linger in limbo for years on end. Our priority would be fair, effective, and efficient processing of cases without a partisan agenda. Often, Republicans will believe BOLI is too aggressive, while Democrats will think BOLI isn't doing enough. I am not a Democrat or a Republican, or even a politician. I would be honored to lead BOLI forward for all Oregonians.

More at [CL4LC.com](http://CL4LC.com)

(This information furnished by Chris Lynch for Oregon.)

**Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries**

## Christina E Stephenson

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Labor Commissioner

**Occupational Background:** Small Business Owner, Civil Rights Attorney

**Educational Background:** Hillsboro High School; American University, B.A.; University of Oregon School of Law, J.D.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Legislative Workgroup on lowering prescription drug prices

Christina Stephenson is a mom, civil rights attorney, and former small business owner who grew up in rural Oregon and spent her career protecting workers and families. Voters elected Christina to fix a broken state agency, and that's exactly what she's doing as our Labor Commissioner.

**Christina is making Oregon's economy work for families and small businesses, not special interests.**

### Protecting Oregonians

Christina secured over \$17 million back to workers who had their wages stolen or rights violated on the job. She also helped pass bipartisan legislation to protect children by closing a loophole in child labor law.

### Expanding Job Training

Christina knows college isn't for everyone. That's why she strengthened registered apprenticeship programs so everyone can find a good paying job and keep up with the cost of living.

*"Christina listens to both sides and has impeccable integrity. She has proven herself as a Labor Commissioner who stands up for all workers and our small businesses."* - Abby Kellner-Rode, Owner, Boundless Farmstead

### Holding Government Accountable

Christina eliminated bureaucracy and reduced backlogs that were decades in the making, launched a mediation program to help Oregonians get results faster, and helped pass a bipartisan law to make BOLI work better for everyone.

### Lowering Costs for Small Businesses

Christina created a toolkit and advisory council to level the playing field for small businesses, lower their costs, and cut unnecessary red tape.

### **We support Christina!**

U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley

Oregon State Fire Fighters Council

Oregon Working Families Party

Oregon Nurses Association

American Federation of Teachers Oregon

Basic Rights Oregon PAC

Service Employees International Union - Oregon

OR Labor Federation, AFL-CIO

Oregon State Building & Construction Trades Council

Oregon & Southern Idaho District Council of Laborers

And many more: [www.ChristinaforOregon.com](http://www.ChristinaforOregon.com)

(This information furnished by CS for OR PAC ID 18555.)

**Judge of the Supreme Court, Position 4****Christopher L. Garrett**

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Justice, Oregon Supreme Court**Occupational Background:** Justice, Oregon Supreme Court (2019-present); Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals (2014-2018);

Oregon House of Representatives (2009-2013); Private law practice (2000-2001, 2002-2013); Law Clerk, United States Court of Appeals (2001-2002)

**Educational Background:** J.D., University of Chicago Law School (2000); B.A., Reed College (1996)**Prior Governmental Experience:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals; State Representative; Speaker Pro Tempore, Oregon House of Representatives; Law Clerk, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Oregon Senate President**Experienced. Principled. Fair.**

A native Oregonian, Justice Garrett attended his local public schools, graduating from what was then Wilson High School (now Ida B. Wells) in Portland.

He began his public service career as a legislative staffer and a law clerk for a federal judge. As a lawyer in private practice, he represented businesses and nonprofit organizations, and provided pro bono services to people in need. In 2008, he was elected to the Oregon House of Representatives, where he earned a reputation for working effectively with people from across the political spectrum.

In addition to his judicial service, Justice Garrett has taught law school courses on legislation and regulation, serves on the Oregon Council on Court Procedures, and co-chaired the Futures Task Force for the Oregon State Bar.

Justice Garrett understands that a judge must approach every case with an open mind, listen carefully, and apply the law to the facts without fear or favor. Our system depends on judges with the integrity to decide cases based on the law, not personal preferences. These principles will continue to guide Justice Garrett's service on the Oregon Supreme Court.

*(This information furnished by Committee to Retain Justice Christopher Garrett.)*

**Judge of the Court of Appeals, Position 1**

## Ryan T O'Connor

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals

**Occupational Background:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals (2025-2026); Partner, O'Connor Weber (2012-2025); Co-Executive

Director, Equal Justice Law (2023-2025); Deputy Public Defender, Oregon Office of Public Defense Services (2005-2011)

**Educational Background:** J.D., University of Notre Dame Law School (2005); B.A., University of Portland (2001); Capital High School, Olympia, WA (1997)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals (2025-2026); Deputy Public Defender, Oregon Office of Public Defense Services (2005-2011)

Judge O'Connor has served on the Oregon Court of Appeals since March 2025. He has heard dozens of appeals and authored dozens of opinions. Before that, Judge O'Connor represented hundreds of clients at trial, before administrative agencies, and on appeal in Oregon state courts and in federal courts. His clients included individuals and small businesses. He helped exonerate two people who had been wrongfully convicted of crimes. Throughout his legal career, Judge O'Connor has been known for his collegiality and legal ability.

Judge O'Connor grew up in Olympia, Washington. He moved to Oregon for college and has lived in Oregon for more than 20 years. Judge O'Connor and his family enjoy hiking, camping, and playing sports. He volunteers on the board of the local little league and as a youth softball coach. Judge O'Connor is an active member of the Oregon State Bar and has served on the advisory boards of nonprofit organizations.

"I am honored to serve Oregonians as a judge on the Oregon Court of Appeals. I am committed to making sure that every party that appears before me is treated respectfully, fairly, and according to the rule of law. I will keep working to ensure that Oregon's courts are transparent, accessible, and fair. I ask you to retain me as Judge on the Oregon Court of Appeals." - Judge Ryan T. O'Connor

*(This information furnished by Elect Judge Ryan O'Connor.)*

**Judge of the Court of Appeals, Position 9**

## Jacqueline Kamins

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals, 2020-present.

**Occupational Background:** Of Counsel, Markowitz Herbold PC, 2019-2020. Senior Assistant County Attorney, Multnomah

County Attorney's Office, 2015-2019. Senior Assistant Attorney General, Oregon Department of Justice, 2006-2015. Adjunct Professor of Law, Lewis & Clark Law School, 2009-2019. Associate, Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP, 2004-2006. Judicial Clerk, Honorable Kim McLane Wardlaw, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, 2002-2003.

**Educational Background:** University of Virginia School of Law, J.D. 2002. Columbia University, B.A. 1997.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Court of Appeals, Judge. Multnomah County Arbitration Panel, Arbitrator. Positions listed above with the Oregon Department of Justice, Multnomah County Attorney's Office, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

**Professional service:** ORAP Committee (voting member). Federal Bar Association (member, executive board, president). Oregon Women Lawyers Society (member). OGALLA (member). Multnomah Bar Association (member). American Bar Association (member).

**Community Service:** Dougy Center for Grieving Children and Families (Volunteer Facilitator) 2013-present. Path Home (Shelter Volunteer) 2018-present. ACCESS Academy (Volunteer Drama Club Instructor) 2022-present.

Judge Kamins is committed to treating each litigant with dignity and respect and working tirelessly toward reaching the correct result in each case. Knowing how critical the cases before the Oregon Court of Appeals are to the litigants, Judge Kamins prioritizes issuing fair decisions in a timely fashion and has devoted her time on the bench to finding ways to reduce the amount of time that litigants are waiting for decisions. Outside the courtroom, Judge Kamins and her family volunteer with organizations that reflect her deep commitment to supporting marginalized communities and those impacted by the deaths of close family members.

### Statement

"I am honored to serve Oregonians as a judge on the Court of Appeals. I take the trust that voters have placed in me extremely seriously and I am committed to earning that trust each day on the job."

*(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Judge Jackie Kamins.)*

**Judge of the Court of Appeals, Position 12**

## Erin C Lagesen

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals

**Occupational Background:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals, November 12, 2013-Present, including as Chief Judge, January

1, 2022-Present; Senior Assistant Attorney General and Assistant Attorney General, Oregon Department of Justice; Associate, Stoel Rives LLP; Judicial Clerk to the Hon. Susan P. Graber, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit; Mathematics Teacher, Milwaukie High School

**Educational Background:** Willamette University College of Law, JD, summa cum laude (2000); Harvard University Graduate School of Education, EdM (1994); University of Oregon, MS, Mathematics (1993); Williams College, BA, English and Mathematics, cum laude (1991); Portland Public Schools, K-12.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Court of Appeals, Judge; positions listed above with the Oregon Department of Justice and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

### EXPERIENCED

Judge Lagesen has served on the Oregon Court of Appeals since November 12, 2013, and has served as the court's Chief Judge since January 1, 2022. She is an elected member of the American Law Institute. In 2025, she was one of the recipients of the Oregon State Bar's Wallace P. Carson, Jr. Award for Judicial Excellence.

### DEDICATED

Judge Lagesen regularly presents at legal education programs, has authored chapters on state constitutional law and appellate practice for state bar publications, and is a past chair of the state bar Constitutional Law section. She also is a long-time volunteer coach for the high school "We the People" constitutional law program.

### FAIR

Judge Lagesen is proud to serve the people of Oregon on the Oregon Court of Appeals. She is committed to improving the administration of justice in that court to the best of her ability. She will handle each case before her with care, treat those who appear before the court with respect and impartiality, and work to ensure that the rule of law applies the same way to all people, no matter who they are or where they are from.

*(This information furnished by Committee to Retain Judge Lagesen.)*

**Judge of the Court of Appeals, Position 13**

## Doug Tookey

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals

**Occupational Background:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals; Senior Deputy and Deputy Legislative Counsel, Office of the

Legislative Counsel; Adjunct Professor of Law, Willamette University College of Law (Fall 2009 and 2010); overseas experience through a variety of initiatives to improve access to justice and respect for the rule of law, including Fulbright Scholarships in Singapore and Kazakhstan.

**Educational Background:** National University of Singapore, Faculty of Law, LL.M.; Cornell Law School, J.D.; University of Chicago, B.A. (English Language and Literature); Oregon State University (freshman, sophomore years); McNary High School, Keizer, High School Diploma.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Office of the Legislative Counsel, Senior Deputy and Deputy Legislative Counsel; United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, Judicial Law Clerk; United States District Court, District of Colorado, Judicial Law Clerk.

**Other Experience:** Oregon State Bar, Public Service Advisory Committee (2006-2011); Council on Court Procedures (2017-2021); Oregon Bench and Bar Commission on Professionalism (2018-2022); current member, Tribal, State, and Federal Court Forum. In 2021, he was one of the recipients of the Oregon State Bar's Wallace P. Carson Jr. Award for Judicial Excellence.

*(This information furnished by Judge Doug Tookey for Oregon Court of Appeals.)*

**Judge of the Circuit Court, 5th District, Position 13**



**Michelle S Bartov**

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Judge, Clackamas County Circuit Court

**Occupational Background:** Deputy Executive Director, Clackamas Indigent Defense Corporation

**Educational Background:** St. John's University, JD; University of Wisconsin, BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Chief Justice's Criminal Justice Advisory Committee; Governor's Advisory Committee on DUII

**Community Experience:** Faculty, Oregon Forensic Evaluator Certification Program; Chair, Oregon New Lawyers Division

*"Clackamas County needs proven, capable judges who can deliver justice fairly, and that's Judge Bartov. Her experience set her up to hear cases on just her second day, and she's already made a great impact on the court."*

**Clackamas County Judge Michael Wetzel Retain Judge Bartov**

Judge Bartov has worked on thousands of cases including felonies, family law, and juvenile justice. She's been a small business owner and Deputy Executive Director of Clackamas County's public defense consortium.

**Committed to Clackamas**

In addition to serving as a Clackamas County judge, Michelle is the only candidate who is both raising her family here and has spent the last several years trying cases in our courts.

**Dedicated to Justice**

Judge Bartov has dedicated her career to defending the constitution, representing individuals with addiction and mental health challenges, defending children who are victims of abuse, and finalizing adoptions for children in foster care.

**Proven Leader**

Across her career, Judge Bartov has:

- Worked with the DA and community partners to improve access to justice.
- Trained mental health professionals to participate in the justice process.
- Expanded defendants' access to justice and counsel statewide.

*"Judge Michelle Bartov is a bright light who we are fortunate to have had appointed to Clackamas County's Bench. She has a keen legal mind, pleasant disposition, and detail-oriented work ethic. The future of justice is in capable hands with Judge Bartov."*

**Clackamas County Judge Susie Norby**

**Endorsed by:**

**Clackamas County Judges:** Ann Linger (Presiding), Cierra Brown, Thanh Tran

**Lake Oswego Mayor** Joe Buck

**West Linn Mayor** Rory Bialostosky

**Oregon City Mayor** Denyse McGriff

**Judges** Robert Raschio & Patricia McGuire

**OGALLA (Oregon's LGBTQ+ Organization)**

[www.electjudgebartov.com](http://www.electjudgebartov.com)

*(This information furnished by Elect Judge Michelle Bartov.)*

**Judge of the Circuit Court, 5th District, Position 13**



**Thomas J Belesiu**

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Trial Attorney with Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP

**Occupational Background:** Trial Attorney with Bullivant Houser Bailey; Deputy District Attorney

with Washington County District Attorney's Office; Officer in the United States Marine Corps

**Educational Background:** Lake Oswego High School; Santa Clara University, Bachelor of Science, summa cum laude in Accounting; University of Chicago Law School

**Prior Governmental Experience:** United States Marine Corps

**The Relevant Experience We Need**

When life places you in a courtroom, the judge's experience matters. The Clackamas County Circuit Court is overwhelmed with civil cases. In the last year alone, the Court experienced a 26.1% increase in pending civil lawsuits. I am running for Judge to fill this unmet need.

My years of experience litigating complex civil lawsuits make me **the only candidate in this race with the experience necessary** to effectively and efficiently manage a civil caseload. By contrast, there is no shortage of judges who share my opponents' legal backgrounds.

I am also the candidate with the broadest legal experience. I previously served for four years as a Deputy District Attorney in Washington County where I worked to keep the community safe. As your judge, I promise to be fair and decisive. Every person will receive a fair hearing. But when a person receives a conviction, I will follow Oregon's sentencing laws to keep you safe.

**This is a new seat.** The Governor appointed the current "incumbent" four months ago in January. She is a political appointee endorsed by politicians. I am not the insider choice. I am a Marine Corps veteran, a third generation Oregonian, a proud product of Lake Oswego's K-12 public schools, and an experienced trial attorney. It would be an honor to serve as your next judge.

**Vote Tom Belesiu**

for

**Clackamas County Circuit Court**

Learn more:

[www.belesiu.com](http://www.belesiu.com)

*(This information furnished by Vote Belesiu.)*

**Judge of the Circuit Court, 5th District, Position 13**

# Paul Neese

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Senior Assistant Attorney General, Oregon Department of Justice

**Occupational Background:** Senior AAG at Oregon DOJ; Founder, Juvenile Advocates of Clackamas;

public defense attorney in juvenile court

**Educational Background:** .J.D., University of San Francisco School of Law; B.A., University of California, Berkeley; Eagle Scout

**Prior Governmental Experience:** AAG, Oregon DOJ; Assistant General Counsel, Oregon State Bar

## **Balance, Experience, and Service for Clackamas County**

### **Protecting Children and Families**

For more than 20 years, I have dedicated my career to protecting children, improving our justice system for all, problem solving and litigating some of the most difficult safety issues facing our communities.

### **Balanced Experience**

I have experience on multiple sides of the courtroom and will bring that perspective to each case.

### **Independence and Integrity**

I will bring an even-handed approach, applying the law to the facts without fear or favor.

*“For years I have been impressed by Paul’s exceptional work, commitment to our community, and understanding of the impact of decisions judges make. Paul is superbly qualified.”*

**-Scott Healy, Clackamas County First Assistant District Attorney**

*“Paul is driven to make the process better for all. His ethics and integrity are impeccable. Oregon would be lucky to have him on the bench.”*

**-Deanne L. Darling, Senior Circuit Court Judge**

### **We Support Paul**

**W. Michael Gillette, Associate Justice, Oregon Supreme Court (retired)**

#### ***Clackamas County Judges:***

Kathie Steele, Senior Circuit Court Judge (former Presiding)  
Robert Herndon, Senior Circuit Court Judge (former Presiding)  
Deanne L. Darling, Senior Circuit Court Judge

#### ***Circuit Court Judges:***

Nan Waller  
Chris Martin  
Patricia McGuire  
Francis G. “Jamie” Troy  
Melvin Oden-Orr  
Morgan Long  
Paula Kurshner (Ret.)

#### ***Juvenile Court Judges Pro Tem:***

Linda Hughes  
Sandra Vallejo  
Joseph Hagedorn  
Kristine Almquist

#### ***Community Leaders and Attorneys:***

Hon. Benes Z. Aldana (Ret.), Past President & CEO, The National Judicial College  
Scott Healy, Clackamas County First Assistant District Attorney  
Luke Strait, Retired Police Chief, Milwaukie  
Jim Band, Retired Police Chief, Oregon City

**AND Many More at [www.ElectPaulNeese.com](http://www.ElectPaulNeese.com)**

*(This information furnished by Paul Neese.)*

**Judge of the Circuit Court, 5th District, Position 6**



# Colleen F Gilmartin

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Circuit Court Judge, Clackamas County

**Occupational Background:** Circuit Court Judge, Clackamas County, 2025 to Present; Pro-Tem Judge, Clackamas County, 2018-

2025; Deputy District Attorney, Clackamas County District Attorney's Office, 2003-2018

**Educational Background:** Willamette University College of Law, Juris Doctorate (2002); University of Arizona, Bachelor of Science, Physiological Sciences (1998); Saint Mary's High School (AZ), diploma (1994).

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Circuit Court Judge, Judge Pro-Tem, Deputy District Attorney

**Experienced and Dedicated**

Since 2018, I have served as a judicial officer in the Clackamas County Circuit Court, presiding over a diverse range of matters, including juvenile, criminal, and domestic relations cases. As the Lead Juvenile Court Judge, I ensure the juvenile court operates efficiently and with integrity. I am dedicated to upholding the law while promoting accountability, dignity, and compassion for court-involved children and families. In 2024, I was the recipient of the Chief Justice's Juvenile Court Champion Award in recognition of my work in the juvenile court system. I remain actively involved in committees dedicated to strengthening and improving juvenile court practices and access to justice across our state.

In addition, I preside over both the adult Deflection Court and the Community Court. These programs combine treatment interventions with structured judicial oversight and accountability, aiming to achieve improved outcomes for both participants and the broader community.

Before becoming a judge, I served for 15 years as a prosecutor with the Clackamas County District Attorney's Office, where I focused on child abuse and neglect cases and supporting families in crisis.

Serving on the Clackamas County Circuit Court has strengthened my commitment to principled, consistent judicial service. I approach every case with integrity, fairness, and a steadfast dedication to the law.

I am committed to ensuring accountability and stability in our justice system, treating every individual with respect, and making thoughtful, impartial decisions in every case. I would be honored to earn your vote and continue serving our community.

*(This information furnished by Colleen F. Gilmartin.)*

**Judge of the Circuit Court, 5th District, Position 12**



# Cierra D Brown

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Circuit Court Judge

**Occupational Background:** Lake Oswego Municipal Court Judge; Public Defender in Clackamas County; Gladstone City Prosecutor; Law Clerk at the

Clackamas County District Attorney's Office; Juvenile Corrections Officer

**Educational Background:** J.D., Willamette University College of Law; M.A. in Criminal Justice, University of Nevada, Reno; B.A. in Criminal Justice, University of Nevada, Reno

**Prior Governmental Experience:** N/A

I currently serve as a judge on the Clackamas County Circuit Court and previously as the Municipal Court Judge for the City of Lake Oswego. I am seeking election to continue serving our community with fairness, kindness, and respect for the rule of law.

Before taking the bench, I was a criminal defense attorney with a focus on mental health. That gave me a deep understanding of the complex challenges individuals and families face when interacting with the justice system. I have litigated dozens of cases and worked closely with prosecutors, law enforcement, treatment providers, victims, and families.

As a judge, I am committed to applying the law impartially and without bias; treating everyone with respect and dignity; maintaining an efficient and accessible courtroom; and ensuring decisions are thoughtful, well-reasoned, and follow the law.

It is an honor to serve the people of Clackamas County. I respectfully ask for your vote to continue this important work.

*(This information furnished by Cierra D. Brown.)*

## Referendum Order by Petition of the People

## Measure No.

**120**

Increases fuel taxes, registration/title fees for roads, tax on wages for public transportation services

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**Result of "Yes" Vote**

"Yes" vote increases fuel taxes, certain vehicle registration/title fees for state, local road construction, maintenance, improvements; increases tax on wages for public transportation services.

**Result of "No" Vote**

"No" vote retains fuel taxes at 40 cents per gallon, rejects increases to vehicle registration and title fees, tax on wages for public transportation services.

**Summary**

Measure increases motor vehicle fuel and use fuel taxes 6 cents per gallon, increases annual registration fees from \$43 to \$85 for passenger vehicles; from \$63 to \$105 for utility and light trailers, low-speed vehicles and medium-speed electric vehicles; from \$44 to \$86 for mopeds and motorcycles. Measure increases passenger vehicle title fees from \$77 to \$216. Revenues from tax/fee increases distributed: 50% to Department of Transportation, 30% to counties, 20% to cities. Revenues used for state and local road construction, maintenance, and improvements. Measure increases tax on wages for public transportation services to two-tenths of one percent; applies to wages of employee who is a state resident, regardless of where services performed, or non-resident for services performed in this state.

**Estimate of Financial Impact**

A 'Yes' vote on the measure has the following effects.

For Fiscal Years 2027 through 2035, fuels tax collections would increase by an annual average of \$104 million, registration fee revenue would increase by an annual average of \$157 million, and title fee revenue would increase by an annual average of \$130 million. Increased revenues result in additional average annual allocations of \$196 million to the state, \$117 million to counties, and \$78 million to cities.

Payroll tax collections and public transportation service expenditures would increase by \$118 million in Fiscal Year 2027 and by \$124 million in Fiscal Year 2028.

**Committee Members:**

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Representative David Gomberg,  
Co-Chair  
Senator Khanh Pham  
Senator Bruce Starr\*  
Representative Shelly Boshart Davis\*  
Representative Ben Bowman  
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\*Member dissents (does not concur with the estimate of fiscal impact)

*(The estimate of financial impact was provided by the above committee pursuant to SB 1599 (2026).)*

**Text of Measure**

**Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon**

**FUEL TAXES AND REGISTRATION AND TITLE FEES**

**SECTION 16.** ORS 319.020 is amended to read:

319.020. (1) Subject to subsections (2) to (4) of this section, in addition to the taxes otherwise provided for by law, every dealer engaging in the dealer's own name, or in the name of others, in the first sale, use or distribution of motor vehicle fuel or aircraft fuel or withdrawal of motor vehicle fuel or aircraft fuel for sale, use or distribution within areas in this state within which the state lacks the power to tax the sale, use or distribution of motor vehicle fuel or aircraft fuel, shall:

(b) Except as provided in ORS 319.270, pay a license tax computed on the basis of [34] **46** cents per gallon on the first sale, use or distribution of such motor vehicle fuel or aircraft fuel so sold, used, distributed or withdrawn as shown by such statement in the manner and within the time provided in ORS 319.010 to 319.430.

**SECTION 17.** ORS 319.530 is amended to read:

319.530. (1) To compensate this state partially for the use of its highways, an excise tax hereby is imposed at the rate of [34] **46** cents per gallon on the use of fuel in a motor vehicle.

**SECTION 18.** ORS 803.420 is amended to read:

803.420.

(6) The registration fees for each year of the registration period for vehicles subject to biennial registration are as follows:

(a) Passenger vehicles not otherwise provided for in this section or ORS 821.320, [~~\$43~~] **\$85**.

(b) Utility trailers or light trailers, as those terms are defined by rule by the department, [~~\$63~~] **\$105**.

(c) Mopeds and motorcycles, [~~\$44~~] **\$86**.

(d) Low-speed vehicles, [~~\$63~~] **\$105**.

**SECTION 19.** ORS 803.090 is amended to read:

803.090. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the fee to issue a certificate of title under ORS 803.045 or 803.140, to transfer title under ORS 803.092, to issue a duplicate or replacement certificate of title under ORS 803.065 or to issue a new title due to name or address change under ORS 803.220 is as follows:

(b) For a vehicle title for trailers eligible for permanent registration under ORS 803.415 (1) and motor vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating over 26,000 pounds, excluding motor homes, \$90.

(c) For a vehicle title for vehicles other than those vehicles described in paragraph (b) of this subsection, [~~\$77~~] **\$216**.

**TRANSIT****SECTION 24.** ORS 320.550 is amended to read:

320.550. (1) As used in this section:

(a) "Employer" has the meaning given that term in ORS 316.162.

(b) "Resident of this state" has the meaning given that term in ORS 316.027.

(c) "Wages" has the meaning given that term in ORS 316.162.

(2) A tax is imposed at the rate of [*one-tenth*] **two-tenths** of one percent of the wages of an employee who is:

(a) A resident of this state, regardless of where services are performed.

(b) Not a resident of this state, for services performed in this state.

(10) Residents subject to the tax imposed under this section on wages earned outside this state from an employer not doing business within this state shall report and pay the tax in an amount not to exceed [*one-tenth*] **two-tenths** of one percent of the wages earned outside this state, and at the time and in the manner, as determined by the Department of Revenue by rule.

Note: **Boldfaced** type indicates new language; [*brackets and italic*] type indicates deletions or comments.

**Explanatory Statement**

Ballot Measure 120 amends Oregon statutes to increase the fuel tax, vehicle registration fees and title fees and temporarily increase the payroll tax used for public transportation.

Under current law and the Oregon Constitution, state fuel taxes and registration fees are imposed to pay for highways, bridges and roadside rest areas in Oregon. Payroll taxes, fares and other funds are used to pay for public transportation. Currently, a payroll tax is imposed at a rate of one-tenth of one percent. The payroll tax applies to the wages of an employee who is a resident of this state, regardless of where services are performed, or of an employee who is not a resident of this state, for services performed in this state. The revenue from the payroll tax is given to public transportation agencies across the state to provide public transportation, like bus service.

The Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill 3991 in a 2025 special session. Among other things, the bill increases vehicle fuel taxes and some vehicle registration and title fees. House Bill 3991 requires owners of electric vehicles and hybrids to pay a flat fee or a per mile fee for miles driven; imposes additional accountability measures for the Department of Transportation; eliminates existing statutory language requiring tolling for some highway projects; and simplifies the state's "weight-mile" system of taxing heavy trucks. The bill provides that the new funding from increasing the fuel tax, registration fees and title fees will be shared among the Department of Transportation, counties and cities. In particular, cities and counties with smaller populations will get more funding than they currently receive and the state agency that is responsible for most of the roadside rest areas in the state will get additional funding to improve and maintain the rest areas along highways.

Petitioners collected sufficient signatures to invoke the right of referendum to ask voters to approve or reject certain increases in the fuel tax, vehicle registration and title fees and payroll taxes, as set forth in Ballot Measure 120. Ballot Measure 120 raises the state's fuel tax to 46 cents and raises vehicle registration fees by \$42 for passenger vehicles, utility and light trailers, low-speed vehicles, mopeds and motorcycles. Ballot Measure 120 raises title fees for passenger vehicles by \$139.

The measure also temporarily increases the payroll tax for public transportation. Public transportation agencies will get more funding from the temporary increase in payroll taxes. The measure provides that the tax rate will increase to two-tenths of one percent until January 1, 2028. Starting January 1, 2028, the payroll tax rate will return to one-tenth of one percent.

If voters do not approve Ballot Measure 120, fuel taxes, registration fees and title fees will remain at their current levels. Also, the payroll tax for public transportation services will remain at its current level.

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(The above committee was appointed to provide an impartial explanation of the ballot measure pursuant to SB 1599 (2026).)

## Argument in Favor

Oregon education professionals understand that our students depend on safe, reliable transportation to get to and from school every day, to ensure they arrive safely and ready to learn and grow. That's why Oregon's education unions are asking for a YES on Measure 120.

"Safe transportation is not a luxury for Oregon's students, it's the first step to getting an education." -Enrique Farrera, OEA President

**For schools and education employees, reliable transportation is more than a convenience — it's a foundation for success.** School buses must operate on safe roads to ensure students arrive on time, especially in rural and underserved areas. Teachers, school staff, and support professionals rely on well-maintained roads and transit options to reach schools every day.

**Measure 120 provides stable, long-term funding to maintain and improve Oregon's transportation system.** This includes safer streets around schools, better-maintained roads for buses, and stronger public transit that helps students, families, and educators get to school and work reliably.

**Investing in transportation is an investment in education.** Safe, reliable roads and transit help students get to school, teachers get to classrooms, and allow staff provide essential services that make learning possible. Tens of thousands of educators and educational support professionals encourage all Oregonians to vote **YES on Measure 120** to protect students, support educators, and strengthen the communities where we live and learn.

Oregon Education Association

Oregon School Employees Association

American Federation of Teachers – Oregon

*(This information furnished by Elvyss Argueta, Oregon Education Association.)*

## Argument in Favor

**Measure 120 Means Investing in Oregon's Workers, Infrastructure, and Climate Future**

**The Oregon Blue Green Alliance is a coalition of labor, environmental, and community organizations working towards creating good jobs, while protecting our environment.** There is a clear nexus between worker and environmental justice in transportation. **Oregon's transportation system can help reduce our carbon footprint while providing good, family wage jobs for a skilled workforce.** This requires a sustainable funding source presented to voters in Measure 120. We urge you to vote yes to fund Oregon's transportation system.

Our member labor unions represent thousands of transportation, construction, and public sector workers. **We know that strong infrastructure requires a strong workforce with the resources to do the job right.** For years, we've seen the opposite, with hundreds of critical positions going vacant without the funding to fill them. This spiral is not sustainable, and road users see the results every day in the form of crumbling infrastructure and delayed response times to accidents.

**Voting YES on Measure 120 will protect family-wage union jobs, strengthen our transportation workforce, and ensure Oregon has the people and resources needed to maintain safe roads, reliable transit, and essential public services for years to come.**

Oregon's transportation challenges are climate challenges that impact communities in all four corners of our state. **We need a statewide funding plan that supports every community's ability to maintain safe roads, enhance low-carbon transit options, and keep essential services running.**

This transportation funding package also advances **Oregon's commitment to maintaining our natural resources and promoting clean, healthy communities across our state.** Investments in public transit, allocations to local counties, and

resources for multimodal transportation alternatives are essential to creating the Oregon we want to pass on to our children.

Measure 120 prioritizes environmental sustainability and the workforce who maintains our transportation infrastructure.

**Vote YES on Measure 120.**

**Oregon Blue Green Alliance**

*(This information furnished by Felisa A Hagins, SEIU Oregon.)*

## Argument in Favor

Oregon's unions are asking you to **Vote YES on Measure 120 for safe roads, connected communities and good jobs.**

Measure 120 will:

- Protect Family Wage Union Jobs
- Invest in Safer Roads
- Fund Reliable Transit

We all deserve to feel safe as we travel across our beautiful state. From Beaverton to Brookings and Medford to Malheur, everyone wants to get from Point A to Point B and not have to worry about whether our roads will be maintained or even open at all.

The last few years have seen hundreds of essential positions within ODOT go vacant without funding to fill them. Maintenance crews have been decimated, in many cases leaving just a couple of people responsible for hundreds of lane miles of roads. The threat of additional layoffs has caused hundreds of workers to leave ODOT to find a stable paycheck to provide for their families. All this while our infrastructure deteriorates, response times to emergencies go up, and roads become less safe.

Without this funding, we're all going to see more potholes, crumbling bridges, and more frequent road closures.

**That's why Oregon's labor movement is asking you to vote YES on Measure 120.**

**Unions saying YES are:**

OR Labor Federation, AFL-CIO

Oregon AFSCME

Association of Engineering Employees of Oregon

LIUNA Oregon - Oregon & Southern Idaho District Council of Laborers

SEIU 503

*(This information furnished by Catie Theisen, Oregon Labor Federation, AFL-CIO.)*

## Argument in Favor

**33,000 Miles of Roads Need Maintenance**

Counties across Oregon are responsible for the primary maintenance of over 33,000 miles of roads, infrastructure, and in some cases, transit. Years of underinvestment have resulted in potholes, crumbling bridges, and reduced public transportation services. County road departments statewide have been forced to make major staff reductions for decades. Between 1995 and 2017, the county workforce fell by 24%, or 485 positions. Today, we operate at roughly 80% of the staff needed to maintain Oregon's roads and bridges. When the Oregon Legislature passed a pared-down transportation funding bill last year, we saw a way to safer travel. We urge voters to preserve that essential funding by voting YES on Measure 120. This package preserves the state's allocation of 30% of essential State highway funding for counties.

To deliver the quality services our residents depend on, we need safe, well-maintained infrastructure. Emergency response, public safety, waste collection, are counting on Oregonians to VOTE YES on Measure 120.

Oregon's transportation crisis is a statewide problem that impacts all 36 counties and every community. That's why we need a statewide funding solution that ends years of kicking the can down the road. Alone, the counties simply don't have the tools or the jurisdiction to tackle this problem independently.

For three decades, counties have been forced to make difficult decisions: reducing road maintenance crews, delaying key safety improvements, and cutting routine maintenance. Without stable long-term revenue, counties will continue to make deeper service and staffing cuts. This will increase the number of accidents and further deteriorate our ability to respond.

Oregon voters have an opportunity to finally fix our transportation system. We urge you to Vote YES On Measure 120 to maintain our most basic public infrastructure.

Kathryn Harrington, Chair, Washington County Commission

Pat Malone Benton County Chair

Nancy Wyse, Benton County Commissioner

Benton County Commissioner Gabe Shepherd

Phil Chang Deschutes County Commissioner

Laurie Trieger Lane County Commissioner

*(This information furnished by Susan Allen, Oregon AFSCME.)*

## Argument in Favor

### Reliable Frequent Transit Matters

Oregonians depend on a transportation system that provides clean, reliable ways to get where we need to go. Public transit is one of the most effective tools we have to reduce pollution, cut climate emissions, and make transportation more affordable and accessible. Decades of underinvestment have weakened our transportation system and put transit service at risk in communities across the state. Voters should protect a long-term transportation solution by voting **YES on Measure 120**.

Strong, stable transportation funding is essential to preserving and expanding public transit. **The lack of ongoing funding has created an environment of scarcity, with transit advocates pitted against other road users while cuts have impacted every community in Oregon. We all deserve better.**

Buses, light rail, and regional transit connections move hundreds of thousands of Oregonians every day while producing far fewer greenhouse gas emissions than individual car trips. **When transit systems are reliable and frequent, more people choose them—reducing congestion, lowering emissions, and helping Oregon meet its climate goals.** But when funding is unstable, transit agencies are forced to cut routes, reduce service, and raise fares, making it harder for riders to get to jobs, school, health care, and other essential destinations.

Right now, transportation systems across Oregon are preparing substantial cuts to the essential services so many of us rely on to get where we need to go. This is a death spiral for public transit, but we have a way out. **Measure 120 will provide the stable funding we need to have safe roads and public transit systems that reflect the needs of communities across our state.**

If Oregon wants to move forward, we need to invest in a multi-modal system that provides different communities with the resources to identify transportation solutions that make sense for their unique needs. This requires sustainable funding to build a sustainable future. **Please vote YES on Measure 120.**

Oregon Transit Association

Amalgamated Transit Union

*(This information furnished by Felisa A Hagins, SEIU Oregon.)*

## Argument in Favor

### LOCAL ROADS AND BRIDGES NEED REPAIR

As mayors we know how essential transportation is to the health, safety, and economic vitality of cities. **Safe roads, reliable transit, and well-maintained bridges are the backbone of our local economies** and the foundation of opportunity for working families.

When transportation funding is unstable, cities are forced to delay critical maintenance: like filling potholes, replacing foglines and guardrails, scale back safety improvements, and postpone projects that support housing and job growth. **Emergency response time increases. Congestion worsens. Bus service becomes less reliable. The burden falls hardest on working people, seniors, and students who rely on safe, affordable ways to get to work, school, and medical appointments.**

Oregon's cities depend on a partnership with the state and county governments. State transportation investments help cities leverage federal dollars, plan responsibly, and deliver projects efficiently. **Without predictable funding, cities face impossible choices: raise local taxes and fees, cut other essential services, or allow infrastructure to deteriorate further.**

Investing in transportation is not just about concrete and asphalt. **It is about public safety, economic development, and our ability to keep highways and roads safe and clear as we see more extreme weather conditions.** It supports local businesses, connects rural communities to vital services and regional markets, and ensures first responders can reach people quickly in emergencies - to save lives. Functional transportation systems create family-wage jobs and strengthen supply chains that keep Oregon competitive nationally and globally.

**Vote YES on Measure 120** to preserve essential transportation funding for communities like ours across the state. Our residents deserve safe streets, reliable transit, and infrastructure that reflect the strength and promise of Oregon. **We stand united in calling for this transportation investment our communities need to thrive.**

Mayor Lacey Beaty Beaverton

Mayor Malynda Wenzl Forest Grove

Mayor Lisa Batey Milwaukie

Mayor Keith Wilson Portland

Mayor Jim Akers City of Maywood Park

*(This information furnished by Susan Allen, Oregon AFSCME.)*

## Argument in Favor

### TRANSIT RIDERS UNITE

As a Portland City Councilor and a student who rides the bus to Portland State University, we know public transit is essential. We ride with workers commuting to jobs, students getting to class, parents traveling with their kids, seniors going to appointments, and neighbors trying to get where they need to go safely and affordably. For many Portlanders, transit is not a backup plan. It is a lifeline.

That is why we urge a **YES vote on Measure 120**.

Oregon depends on public transportation. Buses, MAX, and other transit connections help people get to work, school, health care, and everyday destinations without the high cost of owning a car. Transit also reduces congestion, cuts climate pollution, and helps make our city more accessible and connected. **If we want an Oregon that is more affordable, more sustainable, and easier to get around, we need to invest in transit.**

**If this funding measure doesn't pass, the Portland Bureau of Transportation is facing an \$11 million shortfall.** That could mean layoffs for about 50 staff, delays to safety projects, and reduced maintenance on the streets and infrastructure Portlanders rely on every day. TriMet is identifying service cuts to close a \$300 million budget deficit. Our city isn't alone. Transportation systems across Oregon are facing cuts that threaten the service riders depend on.

**When transit funding is unstable, riders feel it first.** Service is cut, routes become less reliable, and costs become harder for working people and students to absorb. **Those impacts are real, and they fall hardest on the people with the fewest options.**

Measure 120 would help provide stable funding for transportation and transit so Portland can keep moving forward. It is an investment in safe streets, reliable service, and a city that works for the people who live here. **We're all on this bus together.**

**Angelita Morillo, Portland City Councilor & Transit Rider**

**Owen Swanson, PSU student & Transit Rider**

*(This information furnished by Felisa A Hagins, SEIU Oregon.)*

## Argument in Opposition

**12,000+ Yamhill County Residents Demanded a Vote Stand With Them — Vote NO on the Gas Tax**

By **Jason Fields, Candidate for Yamhill County Commissioner, Position 3**

More than **12,000 Yamhill County residents** signed the petition demanding a public vote on Salem's massive transportation tax increase.

Across Oregon, **250,000 citizens signed** so voters — not politicians — could decide.

I'm proud to have helped gather those signatures.

Many were collected by volunteers standing outside grocery stores, talking with neighbors who are worried about the rising cost of living.

The question people kept asking was simple:

**How much more are we expected to pay?**

The Legislature's transportation package raises **\$4.3 billion in new taxes over the next decade**, including:

- Higher **gas taxes**
- Increased **DMV fees**
- New **vehicle charges**
- A **doubling of payroll taxes for transit**

For many households, that means **hundreds of dollars more every year.**

And remember: Oregon already has some of the **highest fuel prices in America.**

Families are struggling with groceries, housing, childcare, and energy costs. Adding billions in new taxes right now will only make life harder.

My campaign for **Yamhill County Commissioner** is built on a simple belief:

**The answer to every problem cannot always be a new tax.**

During my five years on the Yamhill County Budget Committee, I've worked to protect reserves and fund essential services **without raising taxes.**

Over the past year, I've also **knocked on thousands of doors across Yamhill County**, listening to families about the challenges they face.

People are paying attention.

And they are frustrated with policies that keep making life more expensive.

Citizens stepped up and demanded a vote on these taxes.

Now it's our responsibility to show up and be heard.

And as you make your decisions, pay attention to who stood with taxpayers during this process — and who didn't.

**Vote NO on Measure 120**

**Jason Fields**

Candidate, **Yamhill County Commissioner – Position 3**

[www.fieldsforyc.com](http://www.fieldsforyc.com)

*(This information furnished by Jason Fields, Fields for Yamhill County.)*

## Argument in Opposition

Measure 120 asks **you—the Forgotten Oregonian—to pay again.**

The Forgotten Oregonian might be you—the electrician driving to a job site, the nurse commuting before sunrise, the farmer hauling equipment, or the small business owner trying to keep employees working. These are the people Salem politicians always expect to pay more.

In 2017, lawmakers passed a massive transportation tax package and promised it would fix congestion and repair our roads. Instead, we've seen exploding costs, delayed projects, and a growing bureaucracy at ODOT.

Now they want billions more.

Higher gas taxes. Higher vehicle fees. Higher costs for families already struggling with inflation and rising living expenses.

Before asking you and your family for more money, state government should prove it can responsibly manage the billions it already collects. That means reforming ODOT, prioritizing road maintenance, and ending the waste and mismanagement that have defined Oregon's transportation system for years.

**As a chief petitioner on Measure 120**, I led the unprecedented grassroots effort to refer this tax package to voters. In just 38 days, an all-volunteer team gathered over **250,000 signatures**—something never before accomplished in Oregon history.

Before serving in the legislature, I **spent my career in business and engineering**, building a company from the ground up that employed 100 talented people solving some of the country's most difficult manufacturing challenges. I solve problems for a living—and I deliver results.

As I travel Oregon during my campaign for Governor, I hear the same message everywhere: **people feel forgotten by the government that is supposed to serve them.**

Vote **NO on Measure 120** and stand with the Forgotten Oregonian. **Together, let's take back Oregon.**

— Ed Diehl

State Representative, Oregon House District 17  
Co-Chief Petitioner for the Measure 120 'No Tax Oregon' Referendum  
**Republican Candidate for Governor**

*(This information furnished by Edwin L Diehl, III, Republican Candidate for Governor.)*

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon  
urges No on #120

### Here's what politicians have been building

- Hyatt Convention Center luxury hotel (\$74 million tax subsidies)
- Nines luxury hotel Portland (\$16 million tax subsidies)
- Ritz Carlton Portland Hotel \* bankrupt \* (tax subsidies)
- Portland celebrity food court (\$10 million tax subsidies)
- Private Hillsboro baseball stadium makeover (\$30 million tax subsidies)
- Hollywood films (\$20 million tax subsidies)

### Here's what taxpayers wished they built

- bridges
- bypasses
- express lanes
- paving potholes

Both progressives and conservatives agree that our elected officials (state, county, city) are wasting money on things government should not be subsidizing in the first place.

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*(This information furnished by Jason D Williams, founder Taxpayers Association Oregon, Co-Chief Petitioner Gas Tax Referendum.)*

## Argument in Opposition

**COPS PAC SAYS**  
**VOTE NO ON MEASURE 120**

The **Community Oriented Public Servants (COPS) PAC** represents community leaders, public safety professionals, and citizens who believe government should protect public safety while respecting the economic realities facing Oregon families.

Many of our members work in or alongside **law enforcement, fire**

**service, and emergency response**, where we see firsthand the challenges our communities face every day. Our mission is simple: support policies and leaders who strengthen communities, protect families, and preserve common-sense local governance.

Our PAC Director, **Brian Wheatley**, has served as a **reserve police officer since 2008** and has long been committed to community service and public safety. Like many of our members, he believes public policy must reflect the real-world pressures families and small businesses are experiencing.

### Measure 120 moves Oregon in the wrong direction.

Across our state, families are already dealing with rising costs for housing, groceries, fuel, and basic necessities. Small businesses are struggling with higher operating costs and economic uncertainty.

Now the government is asking working families to pay even more.

Policies that significantly increase the cost of living ripple through the entire community. When transportation costs rise, the effects are felt everywhere — by commuters, small business owners, farmers, tradespeople, and working families trying to stretch their budgets.

Public servants should always be mindful of how government decisions affect the people they serve.

At COPS PAC, we believe Oregon families deserve responsible leadership that protects both **public safety and economic stability.**

Measure 120 fails that test.

For the sake of Oregon families, small businesses, and communities already under economic pressure...

**VOTE NO ON MEASURE 120.**

### COPS PAC

Brian Wheatley, Director  
Reserve Police Officer  
Learn more at [www.COPSPAC.com](http://www.COPSPAC.com)

*(This information furnished by Brian Wheatley, COPS PAC #20935.)*

## Argument in Opposition

**YOUR CLACKAMAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER BEN WEST SAYS:**

**VOTE NO on MEASURE 120**

As your Clackamas County Commissioner, I'm urging you to vote resoundingly **NO on Measure 120**. While infrastructure requires attention, **massive gas tax increases and payroll taxes** coming from workers' paychecks are a misguided assault that heaps unnecessary hardship on families and local businesses amid crushing economic challenges.

In my re-election race to continue serving you as County Commissioner, **I'm the only candidate** with an unyielding record of resisting the relentless cycle of burdensome taxes.

**My opponent and Oregon's political class have a troubling history of:**

- Backing flawed I-205 tolling schemes;
- Backing Salem's out-of-touch policies saddling hardworking residents with ever-higher costs;
- Enabling expansive government overreach that lacks accountability.

The same politicians who stripped election integrity by rigging this election to May instead of November have backed my opponent for years.

**County Commissioners are the ONLY BACKSTOP to Salem's Overreach.**

**Commissioners must STAND UP to Salem politicians who put Measure 120 on the ballot in the first place.**

When new gas tax threats loomed, I didn't talk...I acted. In the rain alongside you, together we gathered 250,000 signatures to give voters a voice against tone-deaf Governor Kotek and a runaway legislature.

### Transportation solutions need fiscal discipline and prioritized budgets, not blank checks funded by the working class.

#### **MEASURE 120 is UNJUST.**

It's regressive. It disproportionately punishes commuters and workers struggling with soaring housing and grocery costs. We cannot afford another permanent, record-high tax increase that lacks clear oversight or transparency.

My opponent's record reveals a preference for ODOT's failures and endless quests for new revenue.

#### My actions reflect an unwavering rejection of "tax-first" ideology.

I'll continue to demand rigorous transparency and accountability from our transportation departments.

#### **You have two important votes on your ballot!**

**VOTE NO for Measure 120 and VOTE YES for candidates** who keep Clackamas County moving – affordably without freeway tolls, and gas and payroll tax increases that come from your paycheck.

*(This information furnished by Ben West.)*

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon  
urges No on #120

Oregon gas taxes have been soaring for nearly a decade.

2018 + 4 cents -- **a +13% increase**

2020 + 2 cents -- **a +5% increase**

2022 + 2 cents -- **a +5% increase**

2024 + 2 cents -- **a +5% increase**

2025 + 6 cents -- **a +15% increase** (under HB 3991)

Total = 46 cents

#### **This chart proves ODOT has more money.**

This chart shows you have been paying more.

This chart shows you have been paying more every 2 years.

Yet, ODOT and politicians decided to triple their tax increase in 2025 compared to previous years. Triple! That is too much. Too fast. ODOT should balance their tax increases with taxpayers' ability to pay it. They should be modest and fair. Measure 120 is neither modest or fair. No on #120.

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## Argument in Opposition

Farmer, Business-Owner, and  
**YAMHILL COUNTY COMMISSIONER Kit Johnston**  
Encourages **YOU** to **VOTE NO ON MEASURE 120**

#### Protecting Hardworking Oregon Families

As Chair of the Yamhill County Board of Commissioners, my responsibility is to stand up for the taxpayers of our county. That means **NO NEW TAXES** and **NO TAX HIKES!**

I personally helped circulate the petition to refer this **\$4.3 billion tax increase** to the voters. More than **12,000 Yamhill County residents signed**, joining 250,000 Oregonians statewide who demanded *the right to vote on these taxes*.

With families already feeling the pressure of higher costs for groceries, fuel, housing, and utilities, new taxes and tax hikes deepen the financial strain many households and businesses are facing in Oregon.

#### Protecting Oregon's Referendum Process

I stepped forward as a plaintiff representing Yamhill County in the lawsuit challenging the state's decision to move the referendum that clearly stated a vote in NOVEMBER to the May election instead.

Moving this vote to May forced counties to **rapidly adjust staffing, security, and ballot processing** — all of which **increased election costs for taxpayers**.

The rushed timeline created concerns about equitable access. Many citizens rely on gathering signatures in lieu of paying a fee to submit statements to the voters' pamphlet. With the shortened timeline, many people did not have the time or resources to participate.

#### Protecting Oregon Drivers

ODOT needs to budget *effectively and efficiently* while prioritizing what is important to Oregonians.

#### **Reducing fatalities at our most dangerous intersections is a PRIORITY!**

STOP wasteful spending.

STOP delaying projects, which drives up costs.

I have personally spoken out about coming to a bipartisan agreement **that does not increase the burden on Oregon families** and that prioritizes road projects, which could reduce fatalities by up to 90%.

Leadership means standing up for the people you represent.

Now it's time for voters to make their voices heard.

#### **VOTE NO on MEASURE 120!**

Yamhill County Board of Commissioners Chair  
**KIT JOHNSTON**  
[www.kitforyamhill.com](http://www.kitforyamhill.com)

*(This information furnished by Kit Johnston, Friends of Kit Johnston, PAC 21700.)*

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon  
urges No on #120

#### **Vehicle title fees to increase by 181%**

It's not just the gas tax.

This package includes large hikes to title and registration fees that hit every vehicle owner in Oregon. Title costs are set to increase by a staggering 181%.

For someone who needs a car to get to work or take their kids to school, these fees are a massive new barrier to transportation.

These aren't just "adjustments"—they are significant hits to your wallet.

Reject these excessive fees. No on #120.

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*(This information furnished by Jason D Williams, founder Taxpayers Association Oregon, Co-Chief Petitioner Gas Tax Referendum.)*

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon urges No on #120

Your tax dollars are **wasted on lavish government parties ...**

- \$75,000 Employee party at the zoo by transit agency Tri-Met (1)
- \$11,589 Staff party featuring therapy goats for Portland City staff (2)
- \$26,500 Christmas and retirement party for Oregon Energy Trust (3)
- \$13,000 retirement party on a boat for Portland Public School staff (4)
- \$9,330 tostada themed party for Governor's staff (5)

You and I are witnessing a lot of partying using taxpayer dollars at various government entities at the same time when they claim they're "broke" and need more money. ODOT said they had to raise gas taxes. Yet, when the gas tax referendum (I was a co-chief petitioner) halted the ODOT gas tax, then ODOT miraculously soon found \$213 million in savings just last March (6). They lost my trust. Vote No.

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Sources: (1) KATU 11/15/25, (2) Willamette Week 9/16/25 (3) Oregon State Audit 6/2018 (4) KGW 8 1/9/19 (5) Oregon Capital Chronicle 1/8/25 (6) KGW-TV 8 3/9/26

(This information furnished by Jason D Williams, Founder, Taxpayers Association of Oregon, Co-Chief Petitioner Gas Tax Referendum.)

## Argument in Opposition

I am 73 years old, confined to a wheelchair, and live on a low-income. Like thousands of other Oregon seniors, disabled people, and working families, the massive tax increases in HB 3991 will hit me hard.

This law raises the gas tax to 46 cents per gallon, nearly doubles vehicle registration and title fees, and doubles the payroll tax that funds transit. For someone on a fixed income in rural Klamath Falls, these increases aren't just numbers on paper. This is money I won't have for groceries, medicine, and my healthcare needs. Rural Oregonians drive farther for medical care, groceries, and daily needs. These tax hikes punish the people who can least afford them.

That's why I worked so hard gathering signatures for Referendum 2026-302. Over 250,000 Oregonians signed the petition because we believe the people, not just politicians in Salem, should have the final say on these huge tax increases.

Vote **NO** on Measure 120. Repeal these unfair tax increases and send a message that Oregon should not balance its budget on the backs of its most vulnerable citizens.

Submitted by: **Mary Martin, Klamath Falls, Oregon**

(This information furnished by Mary Martin.)

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon  
urges No on #120

### Your transportation tax \$\$\$ recklessly wasted

- \$1.1 billion over-budget Rose Quarter project (1)
- \$565 million over-budget I-205 Abernethy Bridge (2)
- \$500 million over-budget Hood River Bridge (3)
- \$200 million to study I-5 bridge never built (4)
- \$200 million over-budget Hwy 20 Eddyville (5)
- \$134 million for costly car-free (bus only) bridge (6)
- \$61 million to study tolling (7)
- \$19 million for costly car-free bridge over busy I-84 (8)

This type of over-budget blunders and mis-spending has gone on for decades. It won't stop until voters say enough! Take charge of your transportation dollars by demanding fiscal discipline before you approve of higher taxes.

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Sources: (1) The Oregonian 5/9/25 (2) OPB 8/5/25 (3) City Observatory.org 10/23/25 (4) Oregonian 7/4/13 (5) OPB 10/11/2016 (6) Portland's Tillicum bridge (7) OPB 3/12/2, (8) Portland's Blumenuer Bridge over I-84. Projects are based on completed or estimated costs with some not yet started. Funding include various government entities. See also more ODOT waste at [OregonCatalyst.com](http://OregonCatalyst.com)

(This information furnished by Jason D Williams, founder Taxpayers Association Oregon, Co-Chief Petitioner Gas Tax Referendum.)

## Argument in Opposition

### A personal message

**I spent 27 years of my life investigating and exposing government waste, fraud & abuse, since I founded the Taxpayers Association Oregon in 1999.**

The difference over 27 years, is that Oregon's million-dollar boondoggles have become billion-dollar boondoggles. Oregon is now in the top 10 biggest, fattest, most expensive state government states in America (per capita).

I joined as a chief petitioner to the gas tax referendum along with Senator Bruce Starr and Rep. Ed Diehl, so we could stop these skyrocketing taxes.

All I wish is for us to be like other states by (1) prioritizing essential services (2) reducing overlap (3) ending corporate welfare (4) more transparency (5) not trying to do everything but rather doing what is important better (6) data-driven results & other cost-effective tools to reduce waste and abuse.

You can help by voting no on bad taxes.

Sincerely,  
Jason Williams  
Founder, Taxpayers Association of Oregon  
Co-chief petitioner on gas tax referendum

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(This information furnished by Jason D Williams, founder Taxpayers Association Oregon, Co-Chief Petitioner Gas Tax Referendum.)

## Argument in Opposition

Oregonians are already struggling with high costs for gas, groceries, and everyday essentials. Measure 120 asks voters to uphold a massive tax and fee hike from House Bill 3991 — a 6-cent-per-gallon increase in the state gas tax (from 40 to 46 cents), doubling the transit payroll tax (from 0.1% to 0.2%), and sharply raising vehicle registration and title fees (e.g., title fees jumping from \$77 to \$216).

These increases were rushed through a special session with little public input and will hit working families, small businesses, rural drivers, and commuters hardest. Gas prices will rise further, making commutes, deliveries, and family road trips more expensive. Higher registration and title fees punish vehicle owners, while the payroll tax hike burdens employers and employees alike — all to fund a transportation package that lacks accountability and efficiency.

Over 250,000 Oregonians signed petitions to refer this law to the ballot, showing widespread opposition. Yet the Legislature tried to silence voters by moving the vote from November to May — a lower-turnout primary — in SB 1599, a move many see as an attempt to undermine our constitutional referendum rights. (Opponents are challenging this in court.)

Vote NO on Measure 120 to reject these burdensome tax and fee increases. Protect Oregon families from more costs, demand better spending priorities, and send a clear message: taxpayers deserve a voice, not higher bills.

Oregon needs real solutions for roads and bridges — not automatic tax hikes that ignore economic realities.

(This information furnished by Joyce M Furlong.)

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon  
urges No on #120

High gas taxes hurt us all

Gas taxes hurt farmers  
Gas taxes hurt truckers  
Gas taxes hurt the poor  
Gas taxes hurt you and me  
Gas taxes hurt small shops

Gas taxes hurt Uber drivers  
 Gas taxes hurt delivery drivers  
 Gas taxes hurt seniors on fixed income  
 Gas taxes hurt soccer moms going to soccer  
 Gas taxes hurt unemployed going to job interviews

Oregon has nation's 12th highest gas tax.  
 That hurts.

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## Argument in Opposition

### ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION — Referendum Petition 2026-302 (HB 3991)

A simulated Citizens' Initiative Review panel of 23 Oregonians — selected to mirror the state's demographics by geography, party, race, age, and income — spent five days examining HB 3991 with testimony from legislators, ODOT officials, economists, county engineers, tribal leaders, and transit agencies.

**The jury voted 12–11 to repeal.** This near-split, from a projected 67–19 polling blowout, shows this is a harder choice than either side admits.

#### The jury unanimously found:

- ODOT's funding crisis is real, driven by structural decline in gas tax revenue as vehicles become more efficient.
- HB 3991's taxes are regressive. Low-income families pay a far higher share of income than wealthy Oregonians, with no offset or rebate.
- Deferred maintenance costs compound — every year of underfunding makes the eventual bill larger.

**The majority voted NO because:** The bill asks low- and middle-income families to bear the cost without accountability. ODOT has a \$1 billion forecasting error and billions in project overruns. The bill's oversight provisions lack teeth — no independent oversight board, no binding cost caps, no competitive bidding reform. The legislature passed it in a special session on party-line votes after 95% of public testimony opposed it. The governor herself later asked to repeal it.

**The minority voted YES because:** Roads and transit are failing now. 483 ODOT workers already laid off. Counties will close rural roads. Tribal communities will lose access to medical care. Rejecting imperfect funding in hope of a better bill risks years of compounding deterioration.

**Both sides agreed:** Oregon needs infrastructure funding and ODOT accountability reform. The legislature should pair real revenue with real reform in any replacement bill.

Full simulation: [cir.ElectionByJury.org/or-gas-2026](http://cir.ElectionByJury.org/or-gas-2026)

*(This information furnished by Clay Shentrup, Co-founder and Board Member, Election by Jury.)*

## Argument in Opposition

### **VOTE NO ON SALEM'S \$4.3 BILLION TAX HIKE**

Oregon lawmakers passed a **\$4.3 billion tax increase**.

Gas taxes go up.  
 Payroll taxes double.  
 DMV fees increase.  
 New vehicle charges are added.

For many families, that means **about \$300 more every year**.

And that's before you fill up your tank.

Oregon already has the **4th highest gas prices in America**—about **\$4.13 per gallon**.

We already pay the **12th-highest gas tax in the country**.

And Oregon adds another hidden cost through the **Clean Fuel Standard**, which can add **5–35 cents per gallon** to fuel prices.

Then something remarkable happened: Oregonians pushed back.

More than **250,000 citizens signed petitions** to force a vote on these tax increases — including **over 12,000 people right here in Yamhill County**.

The petitions clearly stated the vote would occur in the **November 2026 election**, when the most voters participate.

But lawmakers didn't like that, so they **changed the rules**.

Instead of November, they **moved the vote to the low-turnout May primary**.

Local leaders stepped forward to defend voters' rights.

**Yamhill County Commissioner Kit Johnston joined the legal challenge**, and **community members like Jason Fields, candidate for Yamhill County Commissioner, helped gather signatures** so the public could have a voice.

Now the decision is yours.

If you believe Oregon families already pay enough...

If you believe voters deserve the final say on massive tax increases...

**Send Salem a message. VOTE NO.**

**Tom Hammer, Director**

**Town & Country PAC**

*(This information furnished by Tom Hammer, Director, Town and Country PAC.)*

## Argument in Opposition

### **SMALL BUSINESS CANNOT AFFORD ANOTHER PAYROLL TAX**

#### **Vote NO on Measure 120**

Small businesses are the backbone of Oregon's economy, but they are being pushed to the brink by rising costs and higher taxes.

**This package doubles the state's payroll tax**, which directly increases the cost of every business and farm in the state.

When the government raises these taxes, businesses think twice about staying in Oregon.

Already, Oregon small businesses have paid higher state taxes, county taxes, city taxes, property taxes, wage taxes, labor costs, electricity costs and inflation costs.

We should be encouraging economic growth, not taxing the ability of businesses to provide jobs.

#### **VOTE NO ON MEASURE 120.**

**For more information, follow us at [OregonWatchdog.com](http://OregonWatchdog.com)**

*(This information furnished by TJ Reilly, Oregon Small Business Association.)*

## Argument in Opposition

**ANGELITA SANCHEZ, STATE REPRESENTATIVE CANDIDATE SAYS:**

#### **Vote NO on Measure 120**

#### **Stop Gas Tax Tricks. Protect Election Integrity**

I gathered signatures for a November General Election vote against Gas Taxes because **Oregon is too expensive** and you deserve to vote.

After petitions qualified, super-majority politicians moved the election to May because they didn't want to be held accountable for tax-raising at an election where Gas Tax increases appear with them on the November ballot.

### Changing the rules AFTER the people spoke harms Election Integrity.

I know firsthand because I was there. As a Linn County captain, I gathered signatures in the cold and rain. I drove thousands of petitions over ice-covered mountain passes so rural voters' voices would be heard.

As staff to Senator Cedric Hayden, I worked in the Capitol when Senate Bill 1599A passed on a party-line vote to rescind your rights and rig the election to May where THEY KNEW voter participation would be low.

### So I sued as the Linn County "Right to Vote" Plaintiff to protect our right to be heard!

The power of the Vote should belong to the People, not politicians.

**I've stated clearly on public record:**

**"If government wants to charge the people a fee, people deserve a vote."**

**PEOPLE SHOULD DECIDE!**

Tina Kotek and Democrat politicians don't think we should vote. They shouldn't be trusted with more power!

### From local mayors to state legislators:

- When politicians raise taxes and fees, assuming their constituents are too ignorant to participate or too stupid to vote, it tells you everything about who they are.

**Some politicians don't trust voters, but I do!**

I'm the *only candidate* running for HD11 who takes action to protect the integrity of our elections AND keep Oregon affordable.

**You have two votes to take today.**

1. **Vote NO on Measure 120!**
2. **Vote YES for candidates who protect election integrity and protect your constitutional rights!**

Sincerely,  
Angelita Sanchez

<http://www.angelitasanchez.com>

*(This information furnished by Angelita Sanchez, Candidate HD 11.)*

## Argument in Opposition

As a candidate for East Lane County Commissioner, I'm urging you to **vote NO on Measure 120**. While our infrastructure needs real solutions, bipartisan options were available but rejected in favor of slapping massive gas tax increases and payroll taxes directly from workers' paychecks. Transportation improvements demand fiscal discipline and smart priorities, oversight, not blank-check tax grabs from the working class.

I'm **Jake Pelroy**, a Marine Veteran turned small business owner running to make East Lane County work for working families. After leaving the military, I started a business that lets me serve my community through public policy. I've fought tax and fee increases and worked to reduce red tape for Oregonians. In this campaign to serve you, I'm the only candidate with a proven record of standing firm against endless tax hikes.

My opponent, Heather Buch, and Oregon's political insiders have a troubling history of supporting policies that keep piling costs on hardworking residents. The same politicians who shifted elections to May instead of November have backed her for years. Heather supported the much larger version of Measure 120, stating in a letter of support she is "encouraged by the thoughtfulness of House Bill 2025."

County Commissioners are the last line of defense against Salem's overreach. We must stand up.

When new gas tax threats appeared, I collected signatures to get the gas tax on the ballot, giving voters a real voice against Governor Kotek and a runaway legislature.

My record proves I reject "tax-first" solutions. I'll continue demanding real transparency and efficiency.

If you live in East Lane County, District 5 encompasses the cities of Cottage Grove, Creswell, Coburg, Oakridge, Lowell, Westfir, portions of South West Eugene, and the unincorporated communities of Goshen, Pleasant Hill, Dexter, Walterville, Blue River, McKenzie Bridge, and Marcola. You have critical choices on your ballot! Vote NO on Measure 120 and vote YES for candidates like me who keep East Lane County affordable for working families.

*(This information furnished by Jacob D Pelroy, Pelroy for Commissioner.)*

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon  
urges No on #120

There once was a lady named Kotek  
Who greatly taxed my paycheck  
She raised my gas taxes and DMV fees  
Brought me financially to my knees

My friends said they can't take it anymore!  
So, they moved to Nevada, Texas, and Idaho  
I'd join, but I'm simply all out of luck  
Cuz I can't afford gas for my U-Haul truck

Keep taxes low & affordable so families don't leave.

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## Argument in Opposition

**The issue is about taxation with representation**

As Oregon celebrates America's 250th birthday this July 4th, we're reminded about our nation's core principles. One core value is "No Taxation Without Representation".

The Oregon 250 Resolution Celebrating America's 250th has this reminder:

*"WHEREAS, the Boston Tea Party and the creation of 'No Taxation Without Representation' enshrined low taxes in our government. Lower taxes empowered everyday people and small businesses to great, never-before-seen heights, which made us the world's biggest economy in 1890, unseating our former rulers, Great Britain. Today, the average wage of America's poorest state is still greater than the average wage of most European nations."*

Clause #5 (of 15)

**Oregon 250 Resolution honoring America's 250th  
[Oregon250.com](http://Oregon250.com)**

When the \$4.3 billion gas tax was passed by politicians, they did not ask voters.

This is why I was a co-chief petitioner to the gas tax referendum petition which helped collect a quarter million signatures so Oregonians could have a right to vote on this tax. People can disagree on the tax, but we should all agree that we have a right to vote on it. We need taxation with representation.

Let us reflect upon our historic democratic principles when we consider any election issue.

For more information on our nation's history read below:

- You can read all 15 clauses of the Oregon 250 Resolution (celebrating America's 250th) at [Oregon250.com](http://Oregon250.com).
- The Oregon 250 Resolution, which is celebrating America's 250th, is a resolution with the goal of being passed by Oregon cities and counties as a way to recognize our nation's history, honor our unique liberties, and also act as an inspirational

teaching tool to the younger generation.

(This information furnished by Jason D Williams, founder Taxpayers Association Oregon, Co-Chief Petitioner Gas Tax Referendum.)

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon  
urges No on #120

We asked people how the gas tax increase impacts them:

**"I'm currently commuting 70 miles one direction for work. I've been looking for work closer but haven't had any luck. I already spend between \$300-400 every single month driving back and forth for work... This gas tax would cause me to not be able to pay the bills that I'm already struggling to pay. I would end up living in my car if this tax is put into effect."**

-- Commuter from Roseburg (1)

**"I'm 81 years old, and I do not have any savings or investments to help with my retirement expenses. To have that big a jump in taxes would sink me even more in debt than I am right now. ... My income does not reach my expenses."**

-- Senior from Oregon City (2)

The people hurt the most by this gas tax are the most quiet among us. They need us to help protect them. Please reject the gas tax hike.

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Sources: (1)(2) 2026 Gas Tax Impact Report -- How it hits everyday people, Report by Jason Williams, Taxpayers Association of Oregon, 3/11/26, [OregonCatalyst.com](http://OregonCatalyst.com) News Blog. People asked last fall how HB 3991's gas tax impacts them.

(This information furnished by Jason D Williams, founder Taxpayers Association Oregon, Co-Chief Petitioner Gas Tax Referendum.)

## Argument in Opposition

The 2025 legislative session was revealing: The governor and legislators had more money than ever. They allocated money to pet political priorities first, then ran out before paying for roads and bridges, one of their PRIMARY responsibilities. They forced an "emergency" session to raise taxes to make up the difference. 250,000 Oregon voters signed a petition to repeal the tax. The politicians forced the Measure into the primaries, a low turnout election, so it won't be on the ballot next to their names running for re-election. Is that the "protecting democracy" they keep crowing about? And now they claim to have "found" the money, but they still want to raise taxes.

### Legislature Priorities Have Changed

The 2001-03 biennial Oregon budget was \$34 Billion:

- 32% for schools
- 12% for infrastructure
- 6% for public safety
- 12% for administration
- 25% for "human services" (safety net)
- 13% for everything else

The 2025-27 budget is \$140 Billion, four times higher:

- Only 18% on schools
- 7.5% on infrastructure
- 5% on public safety
- 14% on administration
- 45% on human services, almost half
- 10.5% for everything else

Numbers don't lie. Note the shift of priorities from education, infrastructure and public safety to more handouts, bureaucracy and perma-dependency.

### We Aren't Getting Much For Our Money

Oregon Pre-K-12 schools rank 44th in the US despite spending \$19,376 per child. Mississippi ranks 10 levels higher at 34th and spends only \$12,394 per child. Colorado ranks 6th for \$16,410 per child. Oregon paid \$724 Million in 2024 to "help" 12,034 homeless in the PDX Metro area. That is \$60,412 per person, but the homeless count rose by 61% in that time. Where is all the money going?

### Time For A Change

Politicians have quadrupled state spending in 24 years. Every year it is more giveaways and higher taxes, and few visible improvements in ordinary taxpayers' lives. Businesses are leaving. Tell the politicians to remember the needs of Oregon taxpayers who pay the bills.

### VOTE NO ON 120

(This information furnished by Tom R Hope.)

## Argument in Opposition

Vote NO on Measure 120.

Oregon Freedom Coalition and its tax reform project, No Tax Oregon, oppose Measure 120.

Oregon's working families are already stretched thin. Measure 120 asks you to approve a massive package of tax and fee increases that will hit the people who can least afford it the hardest.

If this measure passes, you'll pay more at the pump—the gas tax jumps from \$0.40 to \$0.46 per gallon. You'll pay more to register your car—fees nearly double from \$43 to \$85. You'll pay \$139 more just to title a vehicle. And the state employee payroll tax for transportation doubles from 0.1% to 0.2%.

These aren't small numbers for families living paycheck to paycheck. For a two-car household that fills up weekly, the added costs stack up to hundreds of dollars a year—money that could go toward groceries, childcare, or rent. In a state where the cost of living is already squeezing middle- and lower-income Oregonians, this is the wrong approach at the wrong time.

Supporters say we need this funding to maintain our roads and bridges. Nobody disputes that Oregon's transportation infrastructure needs investment. But billions of dollars in new taxes and fees shouldn't fall disproportionately on everyday drivers and working people. Before asking Oregonians to pay more, the legislature should demonstrate it can spend what it already collects responsibly and explore funding solutions that don't place the heaviest burden on those with the least.

Nearly 250,000 Oregonians signed a petition to put this question before voters because they believed the legislature went too far. They were right.

**A NO vote on Measure 120** repeals these increases and sends a clear message: find a better way to fund transportation — one that doesn't balance the budget on the backs of working families.

**Say NO to taxes. Vote NO on Measure 120.**

(This information furnished by Nicholas J Stark, Oregon Freedom Coalition.)

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon  
urges No on #120

**What did ODOT do with the extra one billion bonus?**

**"The Oregon Department of Transportation will receive over \$1 billion dollars in additional transportation funding as part of the federal infrastructure package. The money will go toward projects around the state that will benefit drivers, transit riders, cyclists and pedestrians, help maintain roads "**

ODOT Press release,

11/7/21 (1)

What did ODOT do with that extra billion?

What new bridge was built?

What new bypass was built?

Roughly **three years after ODOT received a billion dollar bonus from the federal government, they came back asking taxpayers for a massive gas tax and DMV fee increase.** It doesn't make sense. Vote No on #120.

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(1) Source: "ODOT to receive more than \$1 billion in transportation funding", ODOT press release, 11/7/2021, URL content. [govdelivery.com/accounts/ORDOT/bulletins/2fb2ab2](http://govdelivery.com/accounts/ORDOT/bulletins/2fb2ab2)

See more ODOT commentary, articles at [OregonCatalyst.com](http://OregonCatalyst.com)

(This information furnished by Jason D Williams, founder Taxpayers Association Oregon, Co-Chief Petitioner Gas Tax Referendum.)

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon urges  
No on #120

**Oregon has the nation's 5th highest gas prices**

- #1. California - \$5.36
- #2. Hawaii - \$4.76
- #3. Washington - \$4.74
- #4. Nevada - \$4.39
- #5. Oregon - \$4.30

Source: AAA as of 3/12/26

- We are paying more.
- We are hurting more.
- We are sacrificing more.
- We have less money left over for our families.

We can't afford Measure #120. No on #120.

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## Argument in Opposition

**VOTE NO ON MEASURE 120**  
**Reject the \$4.3 Billion Gas Tax Package**

Measure 120 asks Oregon voters to approve one of the largest transportation tax increases in state history.

It includes:

- A **6-cent gas tax increase**
- **Major increases** to vehicle registration and title fees
- A **doubling of the payroll tax** that funds transit

Oregonians are already struggling with the **high cost of living.**

Families on the North Coast rely on their vehicles to get to work, school, and medical care. These taxes will make everyday life **more expensive for working families and seniors.**

**More than 250,000 Oregonians signed petitions** to ensure voters could decide this issue.

I stood with them.

- I helped **gather signatures** to qualify the referendum.
- I later served as **Tillamook County's plaintiff** in a statewide lawsuit defending voters' rights when politicians tried to change the rules and move the election.

While the court allowed the May election to proceed, the principle remains:

**Voters deserve the final say on massive tax increases.**

But this tax package exists because **our current State Representative, Cyrus Javadi, cast the deciding vote to pass it.**

That vote forced a **\$4.3 billion tax increase** onto Oregon families.

Soon after, Javadi **switched political parties.**

Then he voted again — to **move the referendum to a lower-turnout May election**, away from the November ballot where voters originally expected to decide the issue.

Many voters in House District 32 see this for what it is: **a betrayal of the trust they placed in their representative.**

Oregonians deserve leaders who **stand with voters — not Tina Kotek and her failing policies.**

Instead of raising taxes again, Oregon should:

- Fix spending priorities
- Improve oversight of transportation dollars
- Make better use of the funds we already collect

**Vote NO on Measure 120.**

Max Sherman  
Tillamook County Plaintiff – Gas Tax Referendum Lawsuit  
Candidate for State Representative, House District 32  
[www.votemaxsherman.com](http://www.votemaxsherman.com)

(This information furnished by Max Sherman, Max Sherman for Oregon.)

## Argument in Opposition

Taxpayers Association Oregon  
urges No on #120

**My history with referendum proves politicians wrong**

**2003 tax referendum:** Oregon lawmakers passed a \$600 million income tax hike saying the sky-will-fall without it. I was co-chief petitioner to the tax referendum petition that stopped it by putting it to voters (Measure 30) who rejected it by 58%. Sky did not fall.

**2017 tax referendum:** The Oregon town of Ontario became the first city to pass a big sales tax saying the sky-will-fall without it. I helped lead and fund the effort for the tax referendum petition that stopped it by putting it to voters (Measure 23-58) who rejected it. Sky did not fall.

**2025 tax referendum:** Liberal lawmakers and Gov. Kotek passed a massive gas tax increase saying the sky-will-fall without it. Once again, I am co-chief petitioner to the tax referendum that stopped it by putting it to voters (Measure 120).

I've been doing tax referendum petitions for 20 years.  
I can attest that the politicians' sky-will-fall scare tactic is a fraud.

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# vote!



**Your ballot must be received or mailed with a USPS postmark by 8 pm on May 19**



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## Who can register to vote?

To register you must be:

- A US Citizen
- A resident of Oregon
- At least 16 years old

If you are not yet 18 years of age, you will not receive a ballot until an election occurs on or after your 18th birthday.

## How do I register to vote?

Register to vote

- Online at [oregonvotes.gov/register](https://oregonvotes.gov/register)
- By mailing your completed registration card to your county elections office.
- By completing a registration card in person at any county elections office, the Secretary of State's Office, and some state agencies such as the DMV.

## Do I need to update my registration?

Update your registration if you move, change your name, signature or mailing address, or want to change or select a political party.

You can provide the new information online at [oregonvotes.gov/myvote](https://oregonvotes.gov/myvote) or by completing and returning a voter registration card to your county elections official.

## Address Confidentiality Program

The Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) provides participants with a legal substitute address and a mail-forwarding service. Survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking are provided with a substitute address to use on public records instead of their real address.

Individuals whose personal or family safety may be in danger if their home address is available as a public record may register to vote with confidentiality protections by applying for the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP).

To apply to the Address Confidentiality Program, you must work with a victim advocate who has been designated as an Application Assistant by the Attorney General. For more information or to find an Application Assistant near you call **888-559-9090** or visit [www.doj.state.or.us/acp](https://www.doj.state.or.us/acp).

Participation in the ACP by itself does not guarantee anyone's safety. ACP staff do not provide threat-assessment or safety-planning and are not allowed to offer legal advice.

## Do I need to provide I.D.?

You must provide your valid Oregon Driver's License, Permit or ID number if you have one.

If you do not have a valid Oregon ID, provide the last four digits of your Social Security number.

If you do not have a valid Oregon ID or Social Security number, you can find a list of acceptable alternative identification online at [oregonvotes.gov](https://oregonvotes.gov).

## What is the deadline to register?

To vote in the **May 19, 2026**, Primary Election, your completed registration card must be:

- postmarked by Tuesday, **April 28**; or
- delivered to a county elections office, the Secretary of State's office or voter registration agency (e.g., DMV) by Tuesday, **April 28**.

If you register to vote online, your registration must be submitted by 11:59 pm on **April 28**.

## Do I have to pick a political party?

No. If you do not select a party, you will still receive a ballot for every election in which you are eligible to vote, including the primary election. However, your ballot will only include nonpartisan offices and ballot measures, if any.

All offices will appear on your General Election ballot.



To register to vote or update your registration, return this form by mail, drop off at your County Elections Office, or use online voter resources at: **oregonvotes.gov/register**

**Qualifications**

Are you a citizen of the United States of America?  yes  no  
 Are you at least 16 years of age?  yes  no

**!** *If you mark no in response to either of these questions, do not complete this form.*

**Personal Information** \*required information

last name\* first\* middle  
 Oregon residence address, city and zip code (include apt. or space number)\*  
 date of birth (month/day/year)\* county of residence  
 phone email  
 mailing address, including city, state and zip code (required if different than residence)

**Oregon Driver License/ID number**

Provide a valid **Oregon Driver License, Permit, or ID:**

*I do not have a valid **Oregon Driver License/Permit/ID.**  
 The last 4 digits of my Social Security Number (SSN) are:*

**x x x - x x -**

*I do not have a valid Oregon Driver License/Permit/ID or a SSN.  
 I have attached a copy of **acceptable identification.***

**Political Party**

- Not a member of a party
- Constitution
- Democratic
- Independent
- Libertarian
- No Labels
- Pacific Green
- Progressive
- Republican
- We the People
- Working Families
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** *I swear or affirm that I am qualified to be an elector and I have told the truth on this registration.*

sign here \_\_\_\_\_ date today \_\_\_\_\_

**!** *If you sign this card and know it to be false, you can be fined up to \$125,000 and/or imprisoned for up to 5 years.*

**Registration Updates** *Complete this section if you are updating your information.*

previous registration name previous county and state  
 home address on previous registration date of birth (month/day/year)



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