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Q1

About Candidates

Candidate Name Amanda Murphy

District

Party Affiliation Democrat

Campaign Website https://electamandamurphy.com/

Q2

Q1. Please tell us about your personal experiences with nonprofits. These may include experiences with any organizations that have served you and/or fellow residents of your community, or specific nonprofits for which you've served as a board member, staff person, volunteer, or donor. How do these experiences shape your policy positions? (Limit: 300 words)

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I've had numerous positive experiences with nonprofits over the years. Most recently, I've worked with Habitat for Humanity of Wake County. I volunteered for a day with Habitat and helped construct homes on Trimble Avenue in Cary in October last year. I helped put up walls for the house frame, scrubbed floors, cleaned a porch, and painted. I participated in the Triangle Woman of the Year Candidate for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and raised more than \$20,000 for their 2021 campaign. I was previously a board member for the Leadership Raleigh Alumni Board for three years ending in 2022, and serving as Communications Committee Chair to promote the work of this organization, including collaborating with local nonprofits to provide leadership projects. I was a Leadership Raleigh 37 participant for the Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce worked with Layers of Dignity to hold a packing party. Their non-profit gathers clothing and toiletries for sexual assault survivors as they are leaving the local hospitals in our area. I've had the wonderful opportunity of being on a monthly nonprofit leaders call led by Maggie Kane at a Place at the Table. We discuss issues that affect nonprofits on a daily basis including human resources, software, technology, and diversity, equity, and inclusion. This group of individuals has changed my heart and given me so much hope about the future of our community. So many great folks working hard to make our community better!

These experiences will definitely affect my policy positions; I plan on partnering with nonprofits to push my number one policy issue, which is housing affordability. It is going to take all of us, including public, private, and nonprofit organizations working towards this crisis in our community.

Q3

Q2. If elected, what would be your top three policy priorities? (Limit: 250 words)

My priorities are transportation, housing affordability, and sustainability. I love, love, love living in Wake County, and I'm proud of our town, our county, the Triangle, and North Carolina. We're one of the best places in the country to live, and people are moving here for the opportunities and quality of life we experience every day. But we can do better. I'm running for council to increase housing affordability in our community, create multimodal transportation to support growth by connecting greenways and sidewalks and creating alternatives to driving, environmental sustainability, and thoughtful development in District C.

Q4

The Center advocates on public policy issues that affect North Carolina's nonprofit sector and works with the NC General Assembly and North Carolina's members of Congress to develop laws and policies that save nonprofits time and money, help nonprofits operate more effectively, and preserve the public's trust in North Carolina's nonprofit sector. Our policy agenda includes: Ensuring that all 501(c)(3) nonprofits are fully exempt from federal, state, and local taxes. Promoting new and expanded tax deductions and credits that encourage individuals and businesses to give generously to support their communities through the work of charitable nonprofits. Supporting policy solutions that will address the nonprofit workforce shortage, including increased funding to support jobs in the nonprofit sector and investment in accessible and affordable child care. Seeking solutions to long-standing challenges that nonprofits face when they provide public services through government grants and contracts, including late contracts, late payments, overly complicated application and reporting requirements, and underpayment for indirect costs. Promoting laws that will help nonprofits and businesses alike to provide affordable and high-quality health care and other benefits to their employees.Q3. If elected, which of these policy goals would you support most enthusiastically, and why? (Limit: 250 words)

The policy goal I would support most enthusiastically when elected would be to promote laws that will help nonprofits and businesses alike to provide affordable and high-quality health care and other benefits to their employees. Health care should not be a limiting factor for nonprofits or businesses in being able to hire quality employees.