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Q1

About Candidates

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District 74

Party Affiliation Democrat

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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)

I am currently a board member with Child Care Resource Center (CCRC) in Forsyth County, NC. As a working mother myself, I know how difficult it is to find affordable, quality childcare. Working with CCRC has also shown me how there are many people working hard, both at the nonprofit level and working parents in general, and it's still extremely challenging to make much progress due to policies in place. One example is most working parents don't have paid parental leave especially up to 3-6months after the birth of their baby. This puts the working parents in financial, emotional, and mental hardships and it needs to change. We need more support for our working families.

Q3

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

My top three policy priorities are:

- 1) Healthcare including Medicaid expansion and reproductive rights with access to legal abortion
- 2) Education including increasing public school funding and educator pay to the national average and increasing classified staff pay to \$15/hr
- 3) Housing including rent stablization and a Tenant's Bill of Rights to ensure that all tenants in NC have the right to dignity, fair treatment, and healthy housing.

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)

I would enthusiastically support promoting laws that help nonprofits and businesses provide affordable and quality healthcare and benefits to their employees. Access to these things create happier and healthier individuals, families, communities, and employees. Instead of the wealthy few looking at illness and disease as a way to increase profit, we have the opportunity to provide resources and care to our neighbors.