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## Q1

About Candidates

Candidate Name	<b>Cynthia Ball</b>
District	<b>NC House District 49</b>
Party Affiliation	<b>Democrat</b>
Campaign Website	<b><a href="https://www.cynthiafornc.com/">https://www.cynthiafornc.com/</a></b>

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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)

My volunteer work for a wide range of non-profits has been very rewarding. And I have prioritized my giving to support quite a few, also asking others to also contribute. My support for many non-profits have educated and motivated me; but naming just a few non-profits that have influenced my policy positions are several public school support organizations, Common Cause NC, NC Justice Center, Equality NC, environmental organizations like NCLCV, various animal rescues organizations. Non-Profits are essential to our communities and our policy making by having effective and devoted staffs, numerous volunteers, and support from the public.

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## Q3

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

1. Funding public schools
  2. Protecting our environment and advancing a sustainable future
  3. Working to bridge the rural/urban divide (e.g. broadband)
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**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)

It's tough to choose just one as I would support all of them. But given the serious workplace shortages we have, I would enthusiastically work to ensure that non-profits and businesses can provide affordable health care and other benefits to employees.

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