



**BASIC INFORMATION**

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	Yes	No
Are you now or have you ever been a member of LDC?	YES	
Have you ever sought LDC's endorsement in the past?		NO

**QUESTIONS (Please limit responses to 200 words):**

- Please describe your qualifications for the position you seek plus anything else that you'd like our members to know about you and your candidacy. Also list any endorsements you have secured from others you wish us to know about.**

I am running for SFDCCC because we need real leadership to stand up for those left out of San Francisco's increasing wealth. I have proven myself as a member who delivers progressive policies that move our Party forward. I have written and co-sponsored resolutions that:

- Promote sustainable communities through fair-wage union jobs, local hiring, affordable housing, environmental sustainability, and transit-oriented development
- Reaffirm the importance of the City's Sanctuary City policy amid increasing attacks against immigrant families
- Call on Federal, State and Local elected officials to support increased gun control measures, making San Francisco the first Democratic County



Council in California to endorse the Safety for All Act for increased gun control across our state

- Lay out a roadmap for building more affordable housing in San Francisco
- Endorse a mandatory solar policy for new construction in our City
- Demonstrate support for community-based policing and for the #BlackLivesMatter movement

Greenlining Institute Executive Director Orson Aguilar  
SF Environment Commissioner Elmy Bermejo  
Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom  
Assemblymember David Chiu

**2) What do you think are the top 3 priorities/issues of the San Francisco Latino Community? And why?**

Affordable Housing -- Latinos are disproportionately affected by displacement and eviction in San Francisco. We need to create more affordable housing now. As a board member at Mission Housing Development Corporation, I'm helping to build more affordable housing in the Mission at 1950 Mission Street than have been built in the neighborhood in the previous eight years combined.

Good Jobs – Latinos in our City are more likely to face unemployment than their neighbors. We need more good, local jobs that support working Latino families. I have organized with labor to support living wages, and I'm proud to have championed the country's most successful local hire policy. When I'm elected, I will work to extend local hire to the tech and medical fields.

Criminal Justice Reform – Our criminal justice system discriminates against black and brown people and does not break cycles of recidivism. We must divert victimless crimes toward rehabilitation and restorative justice programs that reduce sentences, and not funnel more of our young people down the schools-to-prisons pipeline. This year, I'm launching a training partnership between Laborers Local 261 and the Sheriff's Department to highlight the power of employment to reduce incarceration.



**3) What are your plans to encourage and empower the Latino Community into the Democratic political process?**

One of the fundamental purposes of the Democratic County Central Committee is to register new Democrats and expand participation in the democratic process. Unfortunately, there are many in our Latino community who are being left out. We need to expend more effort as a Party to reach out to Latinos in their communities.

In order to increase Latino engagement, we must respond to the needs of the Latino community. That means fighting the tide of displacement by providing more affordable housing. That means working towards wealth equality by creating good, local jobs. That means standing up for all of us, regardless of citizenship, by reconfirming our support for our Sanctuary City policies and organizing for immigrants rights.

I am proud to be the cosponsor of a resolution that supports extending the vote to 16 year olds in our City along with an expanded civics curriculum in public schools. This is an important step towards engaging more young people in the electoral process and creating a more representative electorate. The Democratic Party must be inclusive of all of our diverse San Francisco communities.

**4) Are you active in your community/communities? If so, how?**

I am a delegate to the San Francisco Building and Construction Trades and Labor Councils, an Executive Board member of the Sierra Club, Secretary of the Board of the Mission Housing Development Corporation, a Speaker John A. Perez appointee to the Bay Conservation and Development Commission, and the past president of the San Francisco Commission on the Environment.



**5) Which candidates are you supporting or have you supported in the following elections:**

**2016 SF DCCC**

Alix Rosenthal, Keith Baraka, Angela Alioto, Rebecca Prozan  
(List incomplete)

**2015 Mayor**

Ed Lee

**2015 Sheriff**

Vicki Hennessy

**2015 Board of Supervisors (District 3)**

Julie Christensen

**2015 Community College Board**

Alex Randolph

**6) Do you believe that registered/paid lobbyists should be required to recuse themselves from votes that benefit the industry or organizations that they represent?**

I believe all members of the DCCC should recuse themselves on any issues in which they have a direct personal financial interest, and that members should in all times act in accordance with the appropriate DCCC rules.