

East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club Endorsement Questionnaire

Thank you for your interest in obtaining an endorsement from the East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club.

Per the Club's bylaws, to be eligible for endorsement, a candidate must be a registered Democrat. All candidates must also complete this candidate questionnaire to be considered for an endorsement. Endorsements are decided by the general membership, and candidates must receive at least 60% of votes cast to be endorsed.

The deadline for questionnaires is posted on the East Bay Stonewall website (<http://eastbaystonewalldemocrats.org/Elections>). Any candidate submitting a questionnaire that is received after the deadline will not appear on the endorsement ballot. To ensure a fair process, no grace period will be granted.

Please return your completed questionnaire via Google forms by clicking submit at the bottom of this form. All form submissions are final. If you have questions, please contact Ryan LaLonde, Interim EBSDC PAC chair via email at [REDACTED]

Email *

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Name (First Last) *

Ben Bartlett

Are you a registered Democrat *

Yes

No

Office you are seeking? (e.g. City Council, School Board, Supervisor, etc) *

Alameda County Supervisor

Jurisdiction *

County Supervisor

District *

District 5

Are you an East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club member in good standing? If you are unsure, *
email eastbaystonewalldems@gmail.com.

Yes

No

I self-identify as: (check all boxes that apply; note these identifiers will be used publicly during our endorsement process.) *

Gay

Lesbian

Transgender

Gender non-conforming

Bisexual

Queer

Straight

Other:

How have you participated in East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club activities, and/or supported the Club other ways? What other LGBTQ+ organizations are you affiliated with and in what capacity? What other Democratic clubs are you affiliated with? *

I have been an active participant by supporting East Bay Stonewall Pride breakfast every year since I was elected. I have also taken part in the elected official bartending events to fundraise for transgender rights.

Using specific examples, please identify the causes you have advocated for and the ways you have helped advance LGBTQ+ rights or otherwise helped foster a community of inclusivity for LGBTQ+ individuals and families. *

I have authored and co-authored multiple Pride resolution supporting Pride month and raising the flag ceremony at Berkeley

Have you previously supported LGBTQ+ candidates for office? If yes, did that include financial support? *

Yes. I have actively supported candidates like Lori Droste and Terry Taplin for Berkeley City Council and given them money. I also supported Janani Ramachandran for Oakland City Council. Professionally, I have mentored, supported James Chang including hiring him as staff and given him financial support for his campaign to fund his races for rent board and Democratic Party central committee, and soon to be Council race.

Which LGBTQ+ organizations and elected officials have formally endorsed you for this race? *

Terry Taplin, James Chang, Janani Ramachandran.

Please describe a policy/goal that is part of your formal platform that benefits the LGBTQ+ community? *

I have made it my mission to end childhood homelessness in Alameda County. As you know, LGBTQ+ youth are among the young people most at risk of homelessness as they escape broken and abusive homes, and it is unacceptable that any of them should be forced to spend time on the streets.

What makes you uniquely qualified for the office and how are you different or unique from the other candidates in your race? *

What separates me from the other candidates, all of whom I respect, is my long track record of accomplishment in Berkeley. As someone who is known as a consensus builder, I'm able to work with everyone to achieve extraordinary things. We've seen a decrease in homelessness while Alameda County saw a 22% spike, we've created more than affordable homes, and we've created a model specialized response unit for mental health crises to help law enforcement focus on solving and preventing serious crimes. See my accomplishments page at <https://www.ben2024.vote/accomplishments> for more.

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