

2020 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 to complete your questionnaire via Google forms is Friday, August 21, 2020 at 11:59pm for the August 26, 2020 East Bay Stonewall endorsement meeting for the November 2020 presidential election. Any candidate submitting a questionnaire that is received after the deadline will not appear on the endorsement ballot.

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 Amy Fitzgerald, EBSDC PAC chair via email at afitzlap@gmail.com.

Email address *

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Name (First, Last) *

Alex Lee

Are you a registered Democrat? *

Yes

No

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

State Assembly District 25

Jurisdiction? *

State Assembly

District? *

25

Are you an East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club member in good standing as of August 19, 2020? 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? *

South Alameda County Progressive Dems, South Alameda County Young Dems, Silicon Valley Young Dems; Endorsed by Silicon Valley and Los Angeles Stone Wall Dems; Equality California, Victory Fund, BAYMEC

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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. *

As an openly Bisexual candidate (though I will also identify as terms pan or queer for folks who are more familiar), I have been using my platform to increase visibility and understanding for LGBTQ+ community members especially bi folks in my largely socially conservative community. Especially among Asian Americans, LGBTQ+ identity is still very taboo and misunderstood. Additionally since my days as a student activist and student body president at UC Davis, I've advocated for equity and advancement of LGBTQ+ people, our shared stories, and anti-discriminatory measures. CA is blessed that we no longer have overt, macro discrimination against our community but still must root out the more hidden, micro aggressions and barriers.

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

Yes; I am currently endorsing Lucy Shen for Fremont School Board and Justin Sha for Fremont Mayor (among several other LGBTQ candidates)

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

Gay Asian Pacific Alliance, The LGBTQ Victory Fund, California Legislative LGBTQ Caucus, Equality California, The Stonewall Democratic Club, Silicon Valley Stonewall Democrats, BAYMEC, Asm Evan Low, State Senator Scott Wiener, Fmr Santa Clara County Supervisor Ken Yeager

What other LGBTQ+ community members and/or organizations support your candidacy? *

(can include full endorsement list via email)

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

We are only as strong as the most vulnerable in our society. As someone who belongs to multiple, marginalized identities I personally will fight for the rights of our communities and ensure we have fair, equitable chances to succeed in education, housing, employment, and our democracy. A strong equity lens is needed in policy making to uplift Californians who are from communities of color, LGBTQIA+, unhoused, differently abled, and economically exploited. Specifically I have the goal to change institutional injustices inflicted on our trans and nonb siblings. Especially in the ares of justice reform.

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

Alex Lee (D) advances to the general election with Brunton (R) after the primary election. Despite being outspent over 15 to 1 by his Democratic competitors, Alex's grassroots, zero corporate money campaign earned him a spot in the runoff. The district is 45.03% Democrat and 14.43% Republican, favoring Alex as the sole Democrat left in the race.

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