

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 *

vinnie@bacon4supervisor.com

Name (First, Last) *

Vinnie Bacon

Are you a registered Democrat? *

Yes

No

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

Alameda County Board of Supervisors

Jurisdiction? *

Alameda County

District? *

District 1

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? *

I have not participated in East Bay Stonewall Democratic Club activities. I am a member of the Wellstone Democratic Club, the Southern Alameda County Progressive Democrats, and am a member of the Alameda County Democratic Party Central Committee.
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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. *

I have always been a supporter of the PRIDE Parade and have donated and participated in the City of Fremont's PRIDE float most years. Every June, Fremont puts up the rainbow flag, without hesitation or question.

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

I am proud to have supported LGBTQ+ candidates for office and for leadership positions within the Democratic Party (like ADEMs and state caucus officers). In 2020, I have endorsed and donated to Alex Lee for AD25, Melissa Shuen-Mallory for New Haven Unified School District in Area Two, Andy Kelley for Berkeley Rent Board, and Rebecca Kaplan for Oakland City Council at-large.

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

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Andy Kelley, Alameda County Planning Commissioner

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

Melissa Sheun Mallory, Alex Lee, and Annie Koruga.

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

I have consistently argued for more LGBT content in our educational system. I have said that we must do more to provide sex ed training to our youth that includes robust LGBT training. I believe that our youth must be free to explore their identity and sexuality with quality education and knowing that whatever they decide for themselves is just fine.

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

I am the only Democrat in this race and the only one who has consistently stood up for the LGBTQ+ community. I have been endorsed by the Alameda County Democratic Party, the Sierra Club, Congressman Ro Khanna, Supervisor Richard Valle, Assemblymembers Ash Kalra and Kansen Chu, and many others. I am also the only candidate in this race that have never been a Republican.

I am the only candidate in this race that is not taking any campaign contributions from developers, corporations, or any PACs.

Please read more at <https://www/bacon4supervisor.com>.

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