

2022 Endorsement Questionnaire- General Election - City Elections

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Thank you for your interest in being considered for an endorsement by the Asian Pacific American Democratic Caucus of Alameda County. Please answer each question in 250 words or less. Be honest and direct. Please note: your questionnaire will be posted on our website for Caucus members to review. Please submit your responses by Tuesday, Sept. 6 by 5 pm.

Personal Information

Candidate Name *

Lynna Do

City and zip code of residence.

Dublin 94568

What is your campaign website address?

www.LynnaDo.com

What is your campaign email address?

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What is the office that you are seeking? *

- City of Alameda, Mayor
- City of Alameda, City Council
- City of Alameda, School Board
- City of Albany, City Council
- City of Albany, School Board
- City of Berkeley, City Council, Dist. 1
- City of Berkeley, City Council, Dist. 8
- City of Berkeley, School Board
- City of Berkeley, Rent Stabilization Board
- City of Dublin, City Council, Dist. 2
- City of Dublin, City Council
- City of Dublin, School Board (short term)
- City of Dublin, School Board, Area 5
- City of Emeryville, City Council
- City of Emeryville, School Board
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 2
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 3
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 4
- City of Fremont, School Board, #3
- City of Hayward, City Council
- City of Hayward, School Board (long term)
- City of Hayward, School Board (short term)
- City of Livermore, Mayor

- City of Livermore, Mayor
- City of Livermore, City Council, Dist. 1
- City of Livermore, City Council, Dist. 2
- City of Livermore, School Board
- City of Newark, Mayor
- City of Newark, City Council
- City of Newark, School Board
- City of Oakland, Mayor
- City of Oakland, City Council, Dist. 2
- City of Oakland, City Council, Dist. 4
- City of Oakland, City Council, Dist. 6
- City of Oakland, School Board, Dist. 2
- City of Oakland, School Board, Dist. 4
- City of Oakland, School Board, Dist. 6
- City of Piedmont, City Council
- City of Piedmont, School Board
- City of Pleasanton, City Council, Dist 1
- City of Pleasanton, City Council, Dist. 3
- City of San Leandro, Mayor
- City of San Leandro, City Council, Dist. 1
- City of San Leandro, City Council Dist. 5
- City of San Leandro, School Bd., Area 2
- City of Union City, City Council, Dist. 2
- City of Union City, City Council, Dist. 3
- City of Union City, City Council, Dist. 4

New Haven School District, #4

Other:

Are you the incumbent?

Yes

No

Are you a registered Democrat? The APA Democratic Caucus can only endorse registered Democrats

Yes

No

Are you an APA Caucus member?

Yes

No

Why are you seeking the Caucus's endorsement?

As an Asian American, it would be my honor to be endorsed by the APA Caucus. I believe it is important to have the endorsement of your community.
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List ONLY the top 5 endorsements that you have received. (Please reference your website if you want to alert us to more).

No organizations have formally endorsed yet, I have done interviews and am waiting

If we endorse you, will you use our name in your campaign materials?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

How long have you lived in the district that you are seeking to represent?

10 years

Educational background: What schools have you attended, date graduated, major and degree(s) earned.

Walden University, Doctoral Candidate, Ph.D., Psychology; Walden University, May 2019, Masters of Philosophy in Psychology; University of San Francisco, July 2003, Master in Public Administration; University of San Francisco, December 1997, BA Politics

Employment: List the last three (3) paid positions, indicating name of employer, job title, and length of employment.

Lan Do & Associates, LLC, Trainer, 20+ years; before that various political campaigns and offices

What are the names of any community or nonprofit organizations with which you have been an active volunteer in the past 3-5 years.

Association of Junior Leagues International (AJLI), Junior League of Oakland East Bay, Junior League of Palo Alto Mid-Peninsula, Universal Human Rights Initiative, Delta Phi Epsilon International Sorority

CANDIDATE QUESTIONS

1. What actions have you taken to address anti-Asian discrimination/bullying/harassment? Please explain in what capacity you have acted and whether any of these actions were prior to 2020. (i.e., as an elected representative, member of commission/board/organization, and/or as an individual.

Most recently, I moderated a panel on anti-Asian discrimination/bullying/harassment through the Universal Human Rights Initiative. I am also a training in cultural competencies and have been conducting training on cultural differences, understanding, and openness since 2012. When I am on a Board/Commission/Organization, I ensure that I speak up and work on preventing anti-Asian hate.

2. One out of every 3 Alameda County residents is of Asian ancestry but are underrepresented in elected office and make-up 28% of all eligible voters in the County overall. Do you believe the legislative body you are seeking to represent has adequately served Asian and Pacific Americans? Why or why not?

While we have had APA represented on our City Council, I do not think they have adequately served the APA community. I don't think they have done anything specific for the community. There are so much that can be done and nothing has been done to highlight the APA community in Dublin.

3. One-third of Alameda County residents were born in another country. Do you believe that the needs of immigrants have been adequately addressed by the office you are seeking to represent? What changes are needed to better center their needs?

I honestly do not think any needs of immigrants have been addressed by the Dublin City Council. In reality, it is not a big issue in the community and so it is not considered important to address. The changes that need to happen is that we need to have more culture events to highlight all the cultural differences in our community. And just do better for our community.

4. Please identify the three largest APA ethnicities in your district.

Chinese, Indians

5. Please identify the most at-risk APA community in your district and explain why.

The most at-risk APA community is the elderly APA members - they are the ones that are often targeted by those who want to cause great harm and to those who want to cause harm they are seen as easy targets.

6. What have you learned about Asian Americans in the past 2 years that you were previously unaware of and how has that impacted you?

I have not learned anything new in the past 2 years that I was unaware of - but the events of the last 2 years with all the AAPI Hate has impacted me greatly. It is so upsetting that there is more and more anti-Asian hate and it is 'scary' and I worry about my family, friends, and community.

7. How do you think microaggressions and verbal harassment against Asians and other marginalized community members can be better addressed and what will you commit to doing? If you have intervened in the past, please describe what you did.

As a City Council member my goal is to host cultural events to help the community learn about each other. Microaggressions exist because people are not aware of their words or actions have on another person - to deal with this requires education and understanding. As for verbal harassment, we need to work on ensuring that the community knows that hate is not welcome in our community. I am committed to making sure everyone knows everyone is welcome and belongs.

8. What resources (people/organizations) will you tap to increase your knowledge and understanding of the on-going needs of the Asian and Pacific Americans living in your district?

I will reach out to members of local organizations to increase my understanding of the on-going needs of the APA community. I will hold quarterly meetings to check in and keep up-to-date

9. Please list any Asian American candidates you have publicly endorsed.

For this election cycle, I have not endorsed any candidates yet

Thank you for completing our questionnaire.

Please Submit your responses by Sep. 6, 5 pm. We will be holding several zoom endorsement meetings covering all three regions of the County before the end of September, tbd. Only those candidates completing the questionnaire will be on our endorsement ballot. No changes to your responses can be made after it is submitted.

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