

2024 Central Committee Questionnaire

We expect the responses to be based on each candidate's individual lived experience.

Email *

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Basic Information

Endorsement Questionnaire



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. Caucus members attending our Endorsement meeting on January 13 will be provided a ballot to vote. Only candidates who have submitted their completed questionnaire will be listed on the ballot. Questionnaires must be submitted by December 28 at 5 PM.

Personal Information

Candidate Name *

Abdur Sikder

City and zip code of residence. *

94705

What is your campaign website address?

www.drsikderforcongress.com

What is your campaign email address? *

abdursikder1@gmail.com

What is the office that you are seeking? *

- Central Committee AD 14
- Central Committee AD 16
- Central Committee AD 18
- Central Committee AD 20
- Central Committee AD 24

Are you an incumbent? *

- Yes
- No

Are you a registered Democrat? *

Yes

No

Are you on a slate? If so, please identify. *

no

Are you an APA Caucus member? *

Yes

No

Why are you seeking the Caucus's endorsement? *

As a Bangladeshi born immigrant, having endorsement from APA caucus is critical for my success in this race. Voter from Bangladeshi origin are very few in this district. I actually migrated from Australia here. I certainly seeking strong support from APA caucus.

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

Yes

No

Maybe

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

16 years.

Please list what experiences most qualify you to serve on the Central Committee (e.g., education, work, volunteer, life experiences, political campaigns) *

Dr. Abdur Sikder, a dedicated educator and advocate for sustainable development, brings an unparalleled international perspective to his candidacy. Originating from Bangladesh, his educational journey spans Singapore, New Zealand, Australia, and the USA, where he earned a Ph.D. in Computer Science and an MBA. Currently serving as Faculty in the Department of Computer Science at SF State University, Dr. Sikder combines academic excellence with a global outlook.

A staunch proponent for empowering American youth, Dr. Sikder ardently supports the abolition of the student loan system. With over a decade of experience as a tax consultant and Notary Public in the Bay Area, he intimately grasps the challenges facing the community. His distinguished teaching career at Marquette University, Brac University, and Dhaka University underscores his cross-continental living and teaching experiences, providing a unique perspective shaped by diverse cultural, political, and economic systems. This enriches his capability for effective representation in the U.S. Congress, setting him apart from other candidates.

As the elected Lecturer Faculty representative for the computer science department and a contributor to Afihealth Inc.'s Board of Directors, Dr. Sikder's impact transcends borders. His advocacy for free high-quality public college education, Medicare for all, and peace reflects a comprehensive vision for the future. Leading a Berkeley non-profit, he is committed to positive change. He is a proud parent and human rights advocate.

Vote Abdur Sikder for central committee to harness his international expertise, fostering financial stability, economic development, and a fresh perspective for California AD 14.

CANDIDATE QUESTIONS - Central Committee

1. What percentage of the district in which you are running are of APA heritage? And what are top three Asian ethnic groups? *

31%

2. Asian Americans are the fastest growing population in Alameda County and are in the majority in three cities. While the majority are Democrats, a growing number are registering as No Party Preference. How can the Central Committee be more relevant to these communities? *

Being in the central committee is very important to represent our voice to the main stream political position. Central committee is the grassroot of the democratic party.

3. List three ways in which you could help the CC promote a greater awareness of issues of concern to the A/PA communities and support greater representation on elected bodies. *

Create awarness and encouraging them to participate in the election processes.

4. Please name local Asian American candidates the Central Committee has endorsed in the past 10 years. *

n/a

5. Proposing and adopting resolutions is one of the main functions of the CC. Some of the resolutions over the past several years impacted members of the APA communities. Please comment on what you think of those resolutions. *

* Incumbents - response is required.

n/a

6. Do you believe that the vetting process for Resolutions is adequate? Please explain your response. *

Not sure.

7. How impactful have the past resolutions been on the quality of life for low-income Alameda County residents? *

Greatly impactful.

Thank you for completing our questionnaire.

Please submit your responses by Dec. 28, 5 pm. Our Zoom Endorsement Meeting is scheduled for January 13 beginning at 10 am. 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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