

# 2024 Central Committee Questionnaire

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

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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 \*

Jacqueline Tarin-Rankl

City and zip code of residence. \*

Livermore 94550

What is your campaign website address?

N/A

What is your campaign email address? \*

rankjackie@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. \*

Pragmatic Progressives

Are you an APA Caucus member? \*

Yes

No

Why are you seeking the Caucus's endorsement? \*

The Tri-Valley cities of San Ramon, Dublin and Pleasanton are some of the fastest growing AAPI constituents in the Bay Area. As President of the Tri-Valley Democratic Club I believe that our slate is well positioned to reach out to these voters as well as potential new Democrats and make them solid blue. Your endorsement will help reach these families.

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? \*

Since birth 1962. I have lived in Livermore my entire life.

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

My Professional Career (retired) - Manager/Director/Project Manager/Finance

Central Committee - TVDC Club Rep (2019)

Central Committee - AD16 Associate Member (since 10/23)

Central Committee/Sub Committee Assignments:

- Member to Member Comms
- Communications Co-Chair
- Political Action Committee Co Vice-Chair
- Legislative (new 11/23)

In addition, as Chair of Communications I have been supporting the Legislative Process by submitting letters on behalf of the committee.

Tri-Valley Democratic Club, President (previously Secretary)

Chair of the Tri-Valley United Democratic Campaign (UDC)

## 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? \*

AD16s cities vary. According to the census: Livermore is only about 16%. The other cities are much higher: Pleasanton about 41% San Ramon at about 48% and Dublin at about 53%.

The top three are: Indian, Chinese and Filipino.

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? \*

We need to be out in the community. The Tri-Valley Democratic club does tabling in both Livermore and Pleasanton.

My 2024 goal is to reach out and expand our membership and hopefully be able to dual charter in Contra Costa County. In order to do that we must reach out the the AAPI communities.

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. \*

Tabling, Inviting AAPI guest speakers, Community Events by clubs and Central Committees. I would like to see more cross-over to other clubs and committees throughout the region. An example is a joint fundraiser for the UDCs.

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

Hon. Jenny Wong, Hon. Betty Yee, Mel Chiong, Jamie Yee, Alfred Twu, Hon. Alex Lee, Hon. Fiona Ma, Lance Kwan, Sheng Thao

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.

The Resolution against AAPI Hate and condemning the Muslim ban come to mind. All of the anti immigrant agenda waged by the Republicans need to be fought on every level by the Democratic Party. Especially new immigrants. We need to reach out and give them a voice within the Democratic Party.

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

No. Although the members work very hard and have the best intentions, the committee as a whole has very little time to review, discuss and debate the resolutions (and Legislative Actions). Often the presentations are late in the meeting so many members do not even participate. In addition, the recent resolution on Israel created a lot of hurt within the Jewish community. It did not result in peace but instead turned a lot of people away from our Party. Perhaps if more time was spent on the language, we could accomplish the same goal without hurting people within our community.

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

Most of the Resolutions have been focused on our core Democratic values: Housing, wages, social justice and the like. Resolutions in and of themselves do not make changes. It's the follow up to those Resolutions. That includes letter writing, sharing our message on the website and social media as well as follow up with our elected members to ensure actual results...like sponsoring an assembly bill.

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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