

Riveters Collective - 2018 Endorsement Questionnaire Washington State Senate

Introduction:

If your work has already addressed any of our questions, please reference specific examples of that experience in your answers.

Campaign Ethics & Efficacy

- 1. How will you guarantee that your campaign will not go negative towards the other Democratic candidate? How will you pledge that your campaign will work towards the election of whichever progressive candidate wins the primary?
- 2. Regarding campaign finance where are you now in your fundraising, what are your fundraising goals, how will you avoid being overly influenced by heavy campaign donors?

Community Engagement

3. How do you plan to engage your constituents in crafting policies and plans?

Community Safety / Justice

4. How would you address racial and gender bias, and how would you support racial and gender equity?

Environment

- 5. What will you bring to the legislative agenda to balance our concerns for maintaining sustainable agriculture and fisheries industries while protecting fair labor practices (especially for migrant workers) and protecting our land and waters from increased degradation from pesticides and nitrates?
- 6. How would you work to balance the needs of the various users of our public lands in Whatcom County?

Health / Poverty

- 7. What do you think are the most pressing needs for supporting behavioral health, both for children and adults, and how would you prioritize and fund them?
- 8. How would you work to reduce gun violence?
- 9. What would you do to improve access to healthcare for all WA state residents? Do you support I-1600?

Taxation

10. How would you work toward cleaning up our state's regressive tax code?

Tribal Sovereignty

11. What is your general understanding of or experience with how Tribal Treaties, Tribal sovereignty, Tribal jurisdiction, and Tribal water rights factor into the work of the State Senate? And how would you support these rights in your work?

<u>Understanding of Political Leadership Role</u>

- 12. What strategies would you use to ensure you are addressing the varied, and at times conflicting, interests of the diverse groups within your constituency?
- 13. What are the top 3 specific issues related to our district that you will work to address at the legislature?