

POLITICAL ENDORSEMENTS



The Oregon AFL-CIO, the premier federation of Oregon labor unions, has announced its endorsements for Oregon's May 17 primary election. No Republican candidates were endorsed. Notably, the labor federation also made no endorsement for secretary of state: Three Democrats with pro-labor creden-

tials are vying for that office, and an endorsement requires a two-thirds majority vote of the Oregon AFL-CIO's political committee.

Governor Kate Brown

Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum

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Oregon Senate SD 22: Lew Frederick*

Oregon House

HD 8: Paul Holvey

HD 13: Nancy Nathanson *

HD 16: Dan Rayfield *

HD 20: Paul Evans

HD 22: Teresa Alonso Leon

HD 27: Sheri Malstrom

HD 31: Brad Witt *

HD 33: Mitch Greenlick *

HD 35: Margaret Doherty

HD 36: Jennifer Williamson *

HD 42: Rob Nosse

HD 43: Roberta Phillip-Robbins

HD 44: Tina Kotek *

HD 45: Barbara Smith Warner *

HD 47: Diego Hernandez

HD 49: Chris Gorsek

HD 50: Carla Piluso

*endorsement is conditional, pending the return of a completed satisfactory candidate questionnaire



The Oregon Working Families Party has announced its May primary endorsements, after candidates filled out questionnaires outlining their commitments to the party's top priorities. Unions that are part of the Oregon Working Families Party include United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555, Communications Workers of America Local 7901, International Long-

shore and Warehouse Union, Teamsters Local 206, Laborers Local 483, and Operating Engineers Local 701.

Congress, District 5 – Dave McTeague

A former state legislator, he's challenging incumbent Kurt Schrader because of Schrader's voting record, including his support for the Trans-Pacific Partnership. A supporter of Bernie Sanders, he wants to address the concentration of wealth in the hands of the few. mcteagueforcongress.com

Secretary of State – Brad Avakian

As labor commissioner and legislator, he fought wage theft and civil rights abuses in the workplace and ruled against the practice of treating employees as independent contractors. As Secretary of State, he pledges to hold corporations accountable, make sure democracy works for young voters, and fight climate change. bradavakian.com

House District 22 – Teresa Alonso-Leon

A member of the Woodburn City Council, she

works as the state's High School Equivalency and GED Administrator. electalonsoleon.com

House District 26 – Ray Lister

An electrician and a union organizer for the IBEW Local 48, he wants to look out for working families, help create good jobs and grow our economy. raylister.com

House District 27 – Sheri Malstrom

A public health nurse with Multnomah County for 30 years, she wants to champion paid family leave, affordable child care, and ending wage theft. sherimalstrom.com

House District 40 – Steven Cade

As a lawyer, belief in public service guides his work in the community. votestevecade.org

House District 47 – Diego Hernandez

A community organizer on environmental justice, renters' rights, and racial equity, he's a school board member and former high school teacher. diego4oregon.com

Portland City Council – Amanda Fritz

Amanda Fritz has been a champion for working families since she was elected to

Portland City Council in 2008. She helped lead the fight to pass the Portland Earned Sick Days Ordinance in 2013. In 2015, she led the passage of Paid Family Leave for all City employees. Her priorities include providing basic services to all Portlanders, particularly those in historically disadvantaged areas, and changing policies and practices so that all Portlanders are treated fairly and respectfully by police, while improving public safety for all. amandafritz.com

Springfield City Council #4 – Leonard Stoehr

Leonard has been an advocate for working people as a representative of Teamsters Local 206. Leonard will fight for fair schedules for workers, so they can work in safety and health. He will work to provide more affordable housing for lower and middle-income families, and invest in drug addiction treatment and prevention services.

Eugene City Council Ward #7 – Claire Syrett

She championed Eugene's paid sick leave ordinance and helped launch successful programs providing emergency and temporary shelter to the homeless. clairesyrett.org

Clackamas County Chair – Jim Bernard

As Clackamas County commissioner, he's worked to expand the job base, and has championed programs that protect victims of abuse, provide drug and alcohol treatment services, and make sure that people transitioning out of jail and prison have access to housing and services to provide a smooth transition back into society. votejimbernard.com

Clackamas County Commission, Position 4 – Ken Humberston

A Marine Corps vet, he's served in law enforcement and as a teacher, firefighter, mayor, school board member, and fire board member. He currently serves as president of the Clackamas River Water Board and as a member of the Clackamas County Economic Development Commission.

Multnomah County Commission District 3 – Jessica Vega-Pederson

She's on the board of the Hazelwood Neighborhood Association, a member of the Eastside Egg Co-op at Zenger Farms and a member of the East Portland Action Plan. Elected to represent House District 47 in 2012, Jessica became the first Latina to serve in the Oregon House. jessicavegapederson.com

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Make sure you're ready to vote in the primary

A reminder from the Oregon AFL-CIO that ballots for the 2016 Primary Election will be mailed later this month. Already it's clear that some important races around the state will be de-

cided by a small margin of votes.

Make sure you're ready to receive your ballot in the mail by heading to OregonVotes.org and double checking or updating your voter registration status. This is especially important if you've moved since the last election. Oregon voters must register by April 26 to vote in the primary on May 17.

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Labor recognition night June 4

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 4, for the Northwest Oregon Labor Council's annual Labor Appreciation and Recognition Night. The event, held at Milwaukie Elks Lodge, honors men and women identified by their peers for outstanding contributions to labor and their community, and it's a fundraiser for Labor's Community Service Agency.

The labor council is currently accepting cash and prize donations for the raffle, as well as nominations for individuals to be recognized. For more information, call 503-235-9444.