

NOVEMBER 2020 GENERAL ELECTION

OREGON

FEDERAL OFFICE

U.S. SENATE

Jeff Merkley is seeking a third six-year term. It would be challenging to find a stronger labor ally in the U.S. Senate than Merkley. He also works harder than any other Oregon member of Congress to stay in touch with Oregon's labor movement. The national AFL-CIO gives him a 99% lifetime voting record in Congress. AFL-CIO, OBTC, IAFF, UFCW [JeffMerkley.com](#)

U.S. HOUSE

Congressional District 1 (Portland/NW Oregon)

Suzanne Bonamici (D) has been a reliably pro-labor Democrat. The AFL-CIO gives her a 95% lifetime rating over her five terms in the House. AFL-CIO, IAFF, IUPAT, OEA, ONA, UFCW, WFP [Bonamicforcongress.com](#)

Congressional District 3 (Portland/E.Multnomah Co.)

Earl Blumenauer (D) has otherwise been a reliably pro-labor Democrat. The national AFL-CIO gives him a 93% lifetime rating over his seven terms in the House. AFL-CIO, AFSCME, IAFF, IBT, IUPAT, OEA, SEIU, UFCW [EarlBlumenauer.com](#)

Congressional District 4 (Eugene/SW Oregon)

Peter DeFazio (D), in Congress since 1987, voted against NAFTA and has remained a fierce critic of NAFTA-style deals. He's also a big proponent of infrastructure investment, and serves as the chair of the House Transportation Committee. This year he faces a challenge from Alek Skarlatos, a 27-year-old Army National Guard veteran who became fa-

mous for stopping a terrorist on a train in France in 2015. Skarlatos wrote a book about the experience and later played himself in a Clint Eastwood movie about it. Though he's never held public office before, he's raised \$1.3 million as of July 1; almost two-thirds of his contributions are coming from outside Oregon, including from U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Texas). DeFazio has defeated well-funded challenges before, but organized labor doesn't want to risk losing him in the House, and considers his re-election a priority. AFL-CIO, AFT, CWA, IAFF, IBT, IUPAT, LiUNA, OEA, UA 290, UFCW, WFP [DefazioForCongress.org](#)

Congressional District 5 (Salem/Clackamas/Coast)

Kurt Schrader (D), a five-term incumbent, has one of the worst labor records of any De-

mocrat in the House. It's not just that Schrader has voted for every NAFTA-style trade treaty. He also voted to restrict workers' right to unionize on Indian reservations, sponsored a bill to ban slowdown job actions by longshore workers, and this February was one of only seven Democrats to vote against the PRO Act, a bill to eliminate anti-union "right to work" laws and make it easier for workers to unionize. Only one union appears to be endorsing him this election. With a \$2.6 million campaign war chest mostly from moneyed interests, there's little doubt Schrader will beat the Republican nominee — former Keizer city councilor Amy Ryan Courser. Courser, who had less than \$4,000 on hand as of July, calls Schrader a "antifa-loving radical Democrat" and says Joe Biden and Kate Brown represent Satan and socialism. OEA [KurtSchrader.com](#)

STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES

Measure 107 (Limit campaign contributions)

YES Oregon ranks #1 in the country in corporate political donations to candidates, thanks to how the Oregon Supreme Court has interpreted the free speech provisions of the state Constitution. Measure 107 would amend the Oregon Constitution to allow laws that limit political campaign contributions and require disclosure of those contributions. It was referred to voters by an overwhelming bipartisan vote of the Oregon Legislature, AFL-CIO, AFSCME, OEA [FairAndHonestElections.org](#)

Measure 108 (Tobacco Tax)

YES Measure 108 taxes e-cigarettes and vaping products for the first time, and increases the existing \$1.33 per pack cigarette tax by \$2 per pack. That brings Oregon cigarette taxes in line with those in Washington and California. Revenues will fund health care coverage for low-income families and public health programs including tobacco prevention. The measure was referred to voters by a two-to-one majority of the Oregon Legislature. AFL-CIO, AFSCME, OFNHP, ONA, SEIU 503 [YesOn108.org](#)

Measure 110 (Drug treatment)

YES Addiction is a serious crisis in Oregon, which ranks nearly last among states in access to drug treatment. Measure 110 is meant to make drug treatment and recovery available to any Oregon resident who requests it. It would increase funding for drug treatment by about \$60 million a year by diverting marijuana tax revenue over what was forecast when voters first passed marijuana legalization and dedicated the tax revenue to schools. Currently over 8,000 people are arrested in Oregon each year for simple drug possession. Convicting them criminally costs \$15,000 per case, more than drug treatment. Measure 110 decriminalizes simple possession of illegal drugs like heroin, cocaine, and methamphetamine and devotes the money saved from the criminal justice system toward drug treatment. Manufacture and distribution would still be criminal, but possession would become a Class E violation, subject to either a \$100 fine or a required substance use disorder screening by a certified alcohol and drug counselor. AFL-CIO, CWA 7901, IAM, IBEW 48, ONA, SEIU 503, SEIU 49, UFCW, WFP [VoteYesOn110.org](#)

ABOUT THIS GUIDE

Ballots can be confusing and crowded. To help union members make an informed decision, this guide lists all candidates who have at least one union endorsement, except candidates who are unopposed. Each entry ends with a web site where you can find out more.

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Labor organization acronyms refer to a union's statewide or regional body unless a local number is listed. In each entry, AFL-CIO, NOLC, OBTC, and CP-BCTC appear first because they're coordinating bodies made up of multiple labor unions.

AFL-CIO state federation most unions belong to

AFSCME State, County, and Municipal Employees

AFT American Federation of Teachers-Oregon or local affiliate

ATU Amalgamated Transit Union Local 757

CPBCTC Columbia Pacific Building Trades Council

CWA Communications Workers of America Local 7901

IAFF Fire Fighters or local affiliate

IBEW Electrical Workers

48 Portland

280 Tangent

IBT Teamsters

ILWU Longshore/warehouse

Insulators - Insulators Local 36

IUOE Operating Engineers Local 701

IUPAT Painters District Council 5

IW Ironworkers Local 29

LCCLC Lane County Central Labor Chapter

LiUNA Ore. and S. Idaho District Council of Laborers

NOLC NW Oregon Labor Council, AFL-CIO

OBTC Oregon State Building Trades Council

OEA Oregon Education Association or local affiliate

OFNHP Oregon Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals

ONA Oregon Nurses Association

OSEA Oregon School Employees Assoc.

PAT Portland Association of Teachers

PCCFFAP/PCCFCE faculty and classified locals of AFT at Portland Community College

PROTEC 17 Professional & Technical Employees at City of Portland


SMART Sheet Metal Local 16

UA 290 Plumbers and Fitters

UFCW United Food & Commercial Workers Local 555

UBC Pacific NW Regional Council of Carpenters

WFP Oregon Working Families Party, a union-backed minor party

VOTE YES 
MEASURE 26-214
Preschool for All
Free preschool for every kid, a fair wage for every preschool worker



"Workers cannot provide the physical, social, mental, emotional, and academic support required of them every day if they cannot attend to their own health due to lack of financial stability."

- Olivia Pace
Growing Seeds Workers Union & PDX Childcare Labor Alliance

Endorsed by Universal Preschool NOW Coalition members:

Portland Association of Teachers
Portland Jobs with Justice
PDX Childcare Labor Alliance
Portland Childcare Collective
Growing Seeds Workers Union
ILWU Oregon Area District Council
National Association of Letter Carriers Branch 82
Oregon Retired Educators Associations Units 1 & 39
PSU American Association of University Professors
PCC Federation of Faculty and Academic Professionals

Northwest Oregon Labor Council
Reynolds Education Association
CWA Local 7901
Grand Central Bakery Union
AFSCME Local 88
Laborers' Local 483
Oregon Nurses Association
Parkrose Faculty Association
PSU Graduate Employees Union
Oregon Working Families Party

A Beaverton we can all call home



Dear Friend,
As a former teacher and proud union member, I know the importance of fighting for worker rights in our communities.

I am running to be your next Beaverton City Councilor to ensure our communities have the rights, recognition and resources they need to thrive.

In solidarity,

Nadia

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