

mental and physical, due to the stress and anxiety of their situation. As a case manager for a non-profit mental health clinic, I have seen the appreciation and gratitude of program outreach. It was much easier for me to go to them than for them to come to the clinic. I would also increase public housing and create 7,000-plus low-income housing and traditional housing units. Bridge Meadows is a great model. These efforts may even decrease the needed fund amount of police and fire bureaus.

With the \$5 million left, I would increase the manpower and operation of the Fire Bureau.

**FRED STEWART**

I would spend \$2 million on the fire bureau, \$4 million for social services, \$3 million on the police bureau, and \$1 million on the parks bureau.



This painting, "29 July 2015" by Gabriel Liston, from the first day of the Shell Oil/Fennica protest includes Chloe Eudaly's favorite bridge and her favorite thing about Portland: "our spirit of creative resistance."

**6. Make one promise to the city's people of color that you will deliver on if elected. Street Roots will check on its status every year.**

**LANITA DUKE**

As the Director of Grassroot News, NW, I am longtime reporter and video producer. I have a deep understanding of the issues facing the city and have forged relationships with citizens across geographical districts. My videos have tackled issues such as teen interaction with police, curbing teen pregnancy, low-income housing, Alzheimer's disease, low math scores of city schools, job skills training and more. I will continue to be a voice for the voiceless to provide hope to the hopeless.

**MICHAEL DURROW**

I will testify that the slights we face are not "all in your head."

**SHANNON ESTABROOK**

I will see everyone as equal, as I do in my classroom. It is my "clean slate" policy. We ALL continue to learn from our differences. We are every color now. We all have varied backgrounds now. We ARE ONE. Please DO check on my tolerance status each year, should I win. I'm still learning too.

**CHLOE EUDALY**

Just one promise to address the ongoing effects of historic and institutionalized racism in one of the whitest cities in the country? I've got three: I promise to seek out, value and honor the input of communities of color in all aspects of my work on council. I promise to advocate for transparent citywide goals around diversity, equity and inclusion for all city spending, hiring and programming. I promise to fight further displacement of communities of color in all current and future urban renewal areas, by insisting on rigorous anti-displacement measures, and requiring community benefit agreements (to be crafted by the communities involved) from all developers

utilizing public dollars or receiving incentives from the city.

**AMANDA FRITZ**

I will seek out and consider input from communities of color before making important decisions. This promise includes hiring/retaining people of color in the staffing of my office and bureaus, to provide opportunities, direct input, and leadership on the actions of the government that belongs to all Portlanders.

**DAVID MORRISON**

I will work to keep cell towers out of neighborhoods, especially schools. There are two cell towers right next to Boise Elliot grammar school that are frying the kids inside. I would retrofit the building to protect the kids.

**STEVE NOVICK**

I will work with my bureaus to ensure that in recruiting for city jobs and seeking input on city projects, we make an extra

effort to reach people of color in as many languages as possible. We have taken steps restructure our outreach on PBOT projects with the help of my East Portland liaison, Andrea Valderrama.

**ANN SANDERSON**

I won't lie to you.

**SUZANNE STAHL**

Improve the relationship between PPOC and police. Can't be done? I have already seen good dialogue at Race Talks. I will promote Race Talks, school meetings, and community forums that incorporate the police community.

**FRED STEWART**

I will lower the level of violence in the black community in the City of Portland.



This sketch was submitted by Suzanne Stahl. "I love goats, and have eight in my yard!" she says.

**7. How will you ensure young people of color will succeed in Portland?**

**LANITA DUKE**

I would declare a state of emergency regarding the academic achievement gap in education. In Oregon, children of color and low-income students consistently fall far behind their white, middle-class counterparts on key educational metrics. A 2013 study by the secretary of state shows achievement gaps are significant and consistent in Oregon with a notable effect on workforce preparedness for underserved populations.

"If the state fails in the effort to close the achievement gap, long-term workforce availability could be compromised, and that could impact Oregon's ability to attract and retain quality jobs," the report states.

I will create study groups at kitchen tables, in parks, community centers, trailer parks, apartment building - everywhere to encourage students to increase their study time to close this gap.

**MICHAEL DURROW**

Provide resources so they can plan, prepare and connect to the right people and resources.

**SHANNON ESTABROOK**

All young people should be provided with: Free tuition at ALL community colleges in the Portland area. ALL

students. Free bus passes on TriMet. Opportunities for employment and reduced rent. Free child care.

**CHLOE EUDALY**

This is another complicated question with no single adequate answer. Lack of economic opportunity and affordable housing, combined with gross inequities in our educational system, and generations of racism

and discrimination mean that most young people of color will face multiple challenges and barriers to success. While the city, county and state must work together to develop long-term strategies for these bigger systemic issues, we can still take smaller and more immediate steps to not just helping youth, but presenting our communities with ways in which they can step up and help create the welcoming and inclusive communities youth need and deserve through community partnerships. After all, this is not a shortcoming on the part of the youth or communities of color; this a failure of our larger society to guarantee equal rights and opportunities to all people.

One great example of the kind of partnership I'm talking about is the Boise Youth Business Unity Project, where students from Jefferson and Rosemary Anderson high schools are matched with area businesses for paid summer internships. Youth learn valuable job skills while building wider connections in their local communities. Local businesses have a chance to give back to communities they do business in by investing in area youth.

**AMANDA FRITZ**

I will help foster success for young people of color through programs in my assigned bureaus, and by being a role model as someone who is not a white male on the council. For instance, by providing healthy

recreation and SUN (Schools Uniting Neighborhoods) programs in Parks; by continuing to encourage police reform so that all Portlanders are treated with respect and everyone is safe in their neighborhood; by supporting the Diverse Civic Leadership and East Portland Action Plan initiatives within the Office of Neighborhood Involvement; and by employing people of varied backgrounds in my office and in my bureaus. Young people need internships, apprenticeships and volunteer leadership opportunities to enter the pipeline to success. I will also continue to champion the Future Connect scholarships with Portland Community College. No one person can "ensure" that youth succeed. We are all responsible for the success of every young person.

**DAVID MORRISON**

I think the best way is to make sure that all schools get the same funding and are of the same caliber. Get the military out of the STEM program. If they want to even live to see a future, we are going to have to get wireless (microwave radiation) out of the schools and replaced with more reliable, safe cabled connections.

**STEVE NOVICK**

By working to improve transportation infrastructure in east Portland, where many of our people of color live, so that they can get to jobs or school even if they don't have cars. By working to ensure that the city itself employs young people of color. By carefully monitoring city bureaus (including but not limited to the police bureau) to guard against discriminatory conduct.



Shannon Estabrook says a woman drew this sketch of the candidate in 5 minutes during an iPad class downtown. "A miracle," Estabrook says.

**ANN SANDERSON**

The same way I would on any big, important problem: Listening to the people who are affected by the problem. Working with people throughout the community. Looking at what works in other communities in the United States and internationally and then adapting those solutions to the needs of Portland.

**SUZANNE STAHL**

Gang activity is on the rise because gangs provide a sense of belonging to our youth. More after-school activities need to be created and fostered, more youth need to be involved with successful STEM programs, and more community centers need to be built and remain open after hours a weekends (times when many parents are working). These activities will show there are better and healthier ways to get that sense of belonging.

**FRED STEWART**

First off, I will be an example of a black person in Portland who loves his hometown. I will ensure that black people in Portland feel like they are included in the future of Portland. We will see more relationships with the black business-owner community and we will learn more about how much black people have contributed to Portland under my tenure as a City Commissioner.

Each candidate was asked to select a local artist - professional or amateur - to draw his or her favorite thing about Portland. Their submissions are on Pages 8-10.