

SDFP/OBRAG 2016 Progressive Voter Guide

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Endorsement Key

SDFP/OB Rag positions appear **before** candidates, contests, or ballot measures.

[--]No Endorsement

 We Endorsed

 We say no way

Endorsements , [--],

and Hell No 

Symbols *reflect a majority vote of the editorial board.*

Organizational

Endorsements Key

Democratic Candidates

Republican Candidates

*If two candidates in a race are from the same party, the letter **D** or **R** is used to indicate party endorsement.*

**Labor Endorsed
Candidates = LC**

Positions on ballot measures are color coded and appear **after** the description:

**YES or [--] or NO =
Labor**

**YES or [--] or NO =
Democratic Party**

**YES or [--] or NO =
Republican Party**

Clicking on candidate's names or measure numbers (in most cases) will take you to our coverage.

PRESIDENT

 [Hillary Clinton LC](#)

[Donald Trump](#)

[Jill Stein](#)

Gary Johnson

US SENATE

 [Kamala Harris LC D](#)

[Loretta Sanchez](#)

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE District 49

 [Doug Applegate LC](#)

[Darrell Issa](#)

District 50

 [Patrick Malloy](#)

[Duncan Hunter](#)

[--]District 51
[Juan Vargas LC](#)
[Juan Hidalgo](#)

[--]District 52
[Scott Peters](#)
[Denise Gitsham](#)

[--]District 53

[Susan Davis](#)

[James Veltmeyer](#)

SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

39th State Senate
District

 [Toni Atkins LC](#)

[John Renson](#)

[--]75th Assembly
District

[Andrew Masiel Jr](#)

[Marie Waldron](#)

[--]76th Assembly
District

[Rocky Chavez R](#)

[Thomas Krouse](#)

[--]77th Assembly
District

[Melinda Vasquez](#)

[Brian Maienschein](#)

78th Assembly District

 [Todd Gloria LC](#)

[Kevin Melton](#)

79th Assembly District

 [Shirley Weber LC](#)

[John Moore](#)

80th Assembly District


 [Lorena Gonzalez LC](#)


[Lincoln Pickard](#)


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STATEWIDE
PROPOSITIONS


Clicking on the
Proposition/ Number will
take you to our coverage
on this issue.


 [Proposition 51](#) \$9
billion in bonds for
education and schools
YES YES YES

 [Proposition 52](#)
Extends fees protecting
MediCal funding **YES
YES YES**


 [Proposition 53](#)
Voters must approve
revenue bonds more than
\$2 billion **NO NO YES**


 [Proposition 54](#)
Conditions under which
legislative bills can be
passed **NO NO YES**


 [Proposition 55](#)
Personal income tax
increases on incomes over
\$250,000 **YES YES NO**


 [Proposition 56](#)
Increase the cigarette tax
by \$2.00 per pack **YES
YES NO**


 [Proposition 57](#)
Sentencing Reform **YES
YES NO**


 [Proposition 58](#)
Bilingual education in
public schools **YES YES
NO**


 [Proposition 59](#)
State's position on *Citizens
United* **YES YES NO**


 [Proposition 60](#)
Require the use of
condoms in pornographic
films **[--] NO NO**


 [Proposition 61](#)
Prescription drug price
regulations **[--] [--] NO**


 [Proposition 62](#)
Repeal the death penalty
YES YES NO

 [Proposition 63](#)
Background checks for
ammunition purchases
[--] YES NO


 [Proposition 64](#)
Legalization of marijuana
and hemp **[--] YES NO**


 [Proposition 65](#)
Would undo parts of the
plastic bag ban. **[--] [--]
YES**


 [Proposition 66](#)
Make Death Penalty Easier
NO NO YES


 [Proposition 67](#) Ban
Plastic Bags **YES YES
NO**


LOCAL MEASURES


SAN DIEGO COUNTY
 [Measure A](#) -
SANDAG Sales Tax **[--]
NO [--]**


 [Measure B](#) - Ballot
Box Zoning (Lilac Hills)
[--] NO YES


SAN DIEGO CITY
 [Measure C](#) - Buy the
Billionaire a Stadium **[--]
[--] YES**


 [Measure D](#) - Briggs/
Hall Tourism Proposal **[--]
YES NO**


 [Measure E](#) - Replace
the Mayor Procedure **[--]
YES YES**


 [Measure F](#) - Deputy
City Attorney Good Cause
Protection **YES YES YES**


 [Measure G](#) - Rename
Police Civilian Review
Board **[--] YES YES**


 [Measure H](#) - City
Purchasing Rules **[--] YES
YES**


 [Measure I](#) - San Diego
High School / Balboa Park
YES YES YES


 [Measure J](#) - Shift
Park Funding Mission Bay
to Balboa **[--] YES YES**


 [Measure K](#) - All
Candidate Races Finalized
in November **YES YES
NO**

 [Measure L](#) - Ballot
Measures To Be Moved to
November Ballot **YES
YES NO**


 **Measure M-**
Increases cap on
Affordable Housing [--]
YES NO

 **Measure N** - City Tax
on Pot [--] **YES NO**
OTHER LOCAL
MEASURES


 **Measure O** - Carlsbad
Fire Station [--] **YES YES**


 **Measure P** - Chula
Vista Sales Tax to fix stuff
[--] **YES NO**


Measure Q - Del Mar
sales tax [--] [--] **NO**


 **Measure R** - Del Mar
voter approval for
developments larger than
25,000 Sq ft. [--] [--] **NO**


 **Measure S** - El Cajon,
City Council Districts [--]
YES YES


 **Measure T** -
Encinitas, Update to
General Plan Allowing
Increased Density [--]
YES YES


 **Measure U** - La Mesa
Medical Marijuana
ordinance (Regulating)
[--] **YES NO**


 **Measure V** - Lemon
Grove Medical Marijuana
ordinance (Regulating)
[--] **YES NO**


 **Measure W** - Poway.
Allows Sunroad to build a
hotel [--] [--] **YES**


 **Measure X** -
Grossmont-Cuyamaca
Community College
District Bond **YES YES**
NO

 **Measure MM** -
Miracosta Community
College Bond [--] **YES NO**

 **Measure Z** -
Southwestern Community
College Bond **YES YES**
NO

 **Measure BB** -
Grossmont Union High
School District **YES YES**
[--]


 **Measure CC** - Term
Limits for Sweetwater
School Board [--] **YES**
YES

 **Measure HH** -
National City Schools \$30
million in bonds for
repairs [--] **YES NO**

CITY COUNCILS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

SAN DIEGO

Board of Supervisors

 **Dave Roberts**
Kristin Gaspar

City Council, District 1

 **Barbara Bry LC**
Ray Ellis

City Council, District 9

 **Georgette Gomez D**
LC

Ricardo Flores

City Attorney

 **Mara Elliott LC**

Robert Hickey

NATIONAL CITY

City Council (Two Seats,
but we liked three)

 **Alejandra**

Sotelo-Solis D LC

 **Jose Rodriguez**

Luis Natividad D

 **Candy Morales**

Jerry Cano

David Garcia

LA MESA

City Council

 **Colin Parent**

Christine Alessio

Ruth Sterling

LEMON GROVE

Mayor

 **George Gastil**

Teresa Rosiak

Raquel Vasquez

City Council (2 Seats)

 **David Arambula LC**

Steve Brown

 **Charlene McAdory**


Matt Mendoza


Jerry Selby

Michael E Summers

Glenn A Thornton, Jr

CHULA VISTA
[--]City Council, District 3
[Steve Padilla LC](#)




Jason Paguio
City Council, District 4
 [Rudy Ramirez LC](#)
Mike Diaz

ENCINITAS
Mayor
 [Catherine
Blakespeare LC](#)
Paul Gaspar


ESCONDIDO
[--]City Council District 3
[Olga Diaz](#)
Jose Garcia

IMPERIAL BEACH
[City Council](#) (2 Seats)
 [Mark West LC](#)
Julie Behrens
Moises Camacho
Tim O'Neal
 [Robert Patton](#)
Michelle
Sanchez-Huffman


OCEANSIDE
[--] City Council
[Esther Sanchez LC](#)
[Victor Roy LC](#)
Jack Heller
Steve Hasty

City Treasurer
 [Nadine Scott LC](#)
[Gary Ernst R-Deceased](#)
 

EDUCATION BOARDS AND
DISTRICTS


CV Elementary School
Board Election
[--]Seat 2
[Michael D. Jackson](#)
Hans d'Oleire
Armando Farias
Willard "Doc" Howard
Michael Deangelo
Jackson
Rosa Maria Robles
Seat 4
 [Glendora Tremper](#)
Laurie Humphrey



Grossmont Union High
School District
[--]Trustee Area 1
Steve Babbitt
[Chris Fite LC](#)
Richard Preciado
Rolland Slade
Trustee Area 2
Kevin Conover
 [Elva Salinas LC](#)
Jim Stieringer
[Oday Yousif Jr](#)


National City
[School Board Election](#)
 [Barbara Avalos](#)
Brian Clapper
Sheryl Celladora
[San Ysidro School
District](#)
 [Irene Lopez](#)
Steven Kinney

Southwestern College
Board of Trustees
[--]Seat 3
[Roberto C. Alcantar LC](#)
Casey Tanaka
Lei-Chala Wilson
Lander Iriarte
Bud McLeroy

[--]South Bay Union
Elementary
[Barbara Elliot-Sanders](#)
Tom Schaff
Cheryl Quinones
Kevin Drolet

[Sweetwater Unified
High School](#)
Andrew Valencia
 [Kevin Pike LC](#)
Hector Romero

San Diego Unified
School District
District A
 [John Evans](#)
Stephen Groce
District D
 [Richard Barrera LC](#)
[--]District E
Sharon
[Whitehurst-Payne LC](#)
[LaShea Collins D](#)

San Diego County
Board of Education
District 5
 [Rick Shea LC](#)
Mark Wyland

**San Diego Community
College Board
District D**

 **Mary Graham LC**
Alice Pipin

**Poway Unified School
District (Top Two)**

 **Kimberley Beatty**
Nick Anastasopoulos
Debra Cooper
Jimmy Karam
John Moriarty
Terry Norwood
Darshana Patel
Stanley Rodkin
Carol Ware

**Palomar Community
College Board (Top 3)**

 **Nina Deerfield LC**
Rose Marie Dishman
Tim Fillinger
John Halcon LC
Nancy Ann Hensch LC
Keith Mikas

WATER DISTRICTS

**South Bay Irrigation
District**

Division 2

 **Jose Cerda**
John Vogel

Division 3:

 **Jose Preciado**

Daniel Munoz

Division 5

 **Ernie Zamudio**

Jose Calderon Scott

Otay Water District

Division 2

 **Mitch Thompson**

Paula Whitsell

[--]Division

Jose Lopez

Hector Gastelum

[--]Division 5

David Charles

Mark Robak