

# **PRIMARY ELECTION AUGUST 6, 2019**



**Pierce County Official Local Voters' Pamphlet**

**Look for your ballot July 19 - 24.**

# Message from the Auditor

## Thank you for being a Pierce County Voter.

Being a voter is so much more than returning a ballot to be counted. Voters like you are engaged with our community, take personal responsibility for preserving our democracy, and stay well informed. Thank you.

## Registration Records - We Need Your Help!

*"Just because you can, doesn't mean you should."* My grandmother's wise words still ring in my ears.

New election laws take effect this month. You now have until eight days before an election to register online or by mail. If you miss the registration deadline you can still visit us in person before 8 p.m. on Election Day. You'll be able to register or change your registration. And, you'll be allowed to vote.

But just because you *can* wait until the last minute, doesn't mean you *should* wait until the last minute.

Help us maintain an orderly and accurate election. Please take a moment RIGHT NOW to check your voter registration status. Is your address correct? Is your registration active? Has someone moved out of your house?

## Don't Wait.

You can quickly self-serve at [Vote.Wa.Gov](http://Vote.Wa.Gov). Or, call Pierce County Elections at 253-798-VOTE (8683) and we'll do the work for you.

Please help us spread the word. Encourage family, co-workers, and neighbors to verify their voter registration records – or get registered - before the election is upon us!

## 2020 Census is Coming Fast.

Counting everyone once, only once, and in the right place. It's easy to see the parallels between election administration and the decennial census. That's one reason I'm so passionate about the 2020 Census.

The April 1, 2020 event is just around the corner and I'm happy to share that Pierce County has gotten a head start to ensure that every county resident is accurately counted.

Pierce County's GIS team kicked off the process in March with a review of census block and dwelling unit data for all incorporated and unincorporated areas within Pierce County. Thanks to their hard work and expertise, the entire county now has 362,445 address records verified and geo-located in the GIS spatial layer. This advance work means we have outstanding address verification and a substantial advantage for the redistricting work that begins in 2021.

We've teamed up with the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation (GTCF) to create a Pierce County Complete Count Committee and begin the outreach and communication phase which begins Fall 2019. Visit our local 2020 Census webpage at [PierceCountyWa.org/Census](http://PierceCountyWa.org/Census) for news and updates.



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# What's Inside

To save election costs, this all-inclusive voters' pamphlet covers all local offices in the Primary. Your ballot will contain only the races and issues that **you** are eligible to vote on based on where **you** live. You don't have to vote the entire ballot. You can leave any contest or issue blank if you are uncertain or don't feel informed enough to make a decision. You are not required to vote every race or issue on your ballot. Don't worry, we'll count every vote you marked.

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# Ballot Drop Boxes - No Stamp Needed

Open 24-hours from July 19 through August 6. Drop boxes close at 8 PM on August 6.

## Anderson Island

Anderson Island  
Park & Ride  
Yoman Rd (near Villa Beach Rd)  
Anderson Island 98303

## Ashford

Ashford County Park  
29801 SR 706  
Ashford 98304

## Bonney Lake

Bonney Lake  
Park & Ride  
Sky Island Dr E & 184th Ave E  
Bonney Lake 98391

## Browns Point/ Northeast Tacoma

NE Police Substation  
4731 Norpoint Way NE  
Tacoma 98422

## Buckley

Buckley Library  
123 S River Rd  
Buckley 98321

## DuPont

DuPont Ross Plaza  
1500 Wilmington Dr  
DuPont 98327

## Eatonville

Barney's Corner  
40512 Meridian E  
Eatonville 98328

Eatonville Town Hall  
201 Center St W  
Eatonville 98328

## Edgewood

Edgewood City Hall  
2224 104th Ave E  
Edgewood 98372

## Fife

Fife City Hall  
5411 23rd St E  
Fife 98424

## Fircrest

Fircrest City Hall  
115 Ramsdell St  
Fircrest 98466

## Fox Island

Fox Island Fire Station 53  
906 Kamus Dr  
Fox Island 98333

## Gig Harbor/Key Peninsula

Gig Harbor Fire Station  
6711 Kimball Dr  
Gig Harbor 98335

Gig Harbor Library   
4424 Point Fosdick Dr NW  
Gig Harbor 98335

Home Park   
17220 8th Ave NW  
Lakebay 98349

Key Center Food Market  
9021 Key Peninsula Hwy NW  
Lakebay 98349

Lake Kathryn Food Market  
14220 92nd Ave NW  
Gig Harbor 98329

Purdy Fire Station  
5210 144th St NW  
Gig Harbor 98332

## Graham

Graham Fire & Rescue  
Station 91  
10012 187th St E  
Puyallup 98375

## Lakewood

Lakewood City Hall  
6000 Main St SW  
Lakewood 98499

Lakewood (SR 512)  
Park & Ride  
10417 South Tacoma Way  
Lakewood 98499

## Milton

Milton City Hall  
1000 Laurel St  
Milton 98354

## Orting

Orting Public Safety Building  
401 Washington Ave SE  
Orting 98360

## Parkland/Spanaway

Parkland/Spanaway Library  
13718 Pacific Ave S  
Tacoma 98444

Roy Y Park & Ride  
SR 507 and Pacific Ave S  
Spanaway 98387

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## Puyallup/South Hill

Puyallup Library  
324 South Meridian  
Puyallup 98371

Skookum Archers  
11209 Shaw Rd E  
Puyallup 98374

South Hill Library  
15420 Meridian E  
Puyallup 98375

## Roy

Roy City Hall  
216 McNaught Rd S  
Roy 98580

## South Prairie

South Prairie Fire Department  
350 Highway 162  
South Prairie 98385

## Steilacoom

Steilacoom Library  
2950 Steilacoom Blvd  
Steilacoom 98388

## Summit

Summit Library  
5107 112th St E  
Tacoma 98446

## Sumner

Sumner Library  
1116 Fryer Ave  
Sumner 98390

## Tacoma

72nd St Transit Center  
1319 E 72nd St  
Tacoma 98404

Central District  
902 S L St  
Tacoma 98405

Community Health Care  
at Salishan  
1708 E 44th St  
Tacoma 98404

Kandle Park Police Substation  
(parking lot)  
5140 N 26th St  
Tacoma 98407

Pierce County Annex  
2401 S 35th St  
Tacoma 98409

Puyallup Tribal Administration   
3009 Portland Ave  
Tacoma 98404

Tacoma Area Coalition of  
Individuals with Disabilities  
6315 S 19th St  
Tacoma 98466

Wapato Park  
1501 S 72nd St  
Tacoma 98408

Wheelock Library   
3722 N 26th St  
Tacoma 98407

## Tillicum

Tillicum Community Center  
14916 Washington Ave SW  
Lakewood 98498

## University Place

West Pierce Fire & Rescue  
3631 Drexler Dr W  
University Place 98466

## Wilkeson

Wilkeson Town Hall  
540 Church St  
Wilkeson 98396

## Not registered to vote?

### To register to vote, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States.
- A legal resident of Washington state.
- At least 18 years old by Election Day.
- Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections.

### Three ways to register:

- Online - [PierceCountyElections.org](http://PierceCountyElections.org)
- By mail - Call us at (253) 798-VOTE and we will mail you a form.
- In person - Pierce County Election Center, 2501 S 35<sup>th</sup> St, Suite C, Tacoma, WA 98409  
Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM,  
**Election Day, 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM**

### Registration deadlines:

Election Date	Online and By mail	In person
August 6, 2019 Primary	July 29, 2019	August 6, 2019
November 5, 2019 General	October 28, 2019	November 5, 2019

## Can persons with felony convictions vote in Washington?

**Yes.** After you have completed your incarceration and any required community custody, you may register to vote. This is true even if you still have legal financial obligations (fees or fines).

Simply register to vote online at [vote.wa.gov](http://vote.wa.gov).

Not sure of your legal status? Call the Department of Corrections to confirm that your are no longer in custody: 1-800-430-9674.

Thank you for being a Pierce County Voter!

### Felony Screening

The Secretary of State uses information provided by DOC and the state court system to screen the list of registered voters for felons under DOC custody.

## Who donates to campaigns?

For a list of the people and organizations that donated to state and local candidates and ballot measure campaigns, visit [www.pdc.wa.gov](http://www.pdc.wa.gov).

Public Disclosure Commission

[www.pdc.wa.gov](http://www.pdc.wa.gov)

Toll Free (877) 601-2828

## Need help?

### The Voting Center opens 18 days prior to the Election.

#### Hours:

Open Monday - Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Extended hours on Election Day  
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Pierce County Elections Voting Center  
2501 S 35th St, Suite C  
Tacoma, WA 98409

#### Services:

- Register to vote.
- Update voter registration.
- Get a ballot and vote.
- Replacement ballots for lost, damaged, or miss-marked ballots.
- Disability assistance — Large font, color contrast, and audible ballot options.

#### Questions?

(253) 798-VOTE (8683)

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### Libraries Become Points of Assistance on Election Day.

The Pierce County Library System, Tacoma Public Library, and the Puyallup Public Library have volunteered to be Points of Assistance on Election Day. That's 27 library branches!



If you are unable to reach our Voting Center on Election Day, visit a library. These libraries have volunteered to function as conduits for voter services. They'll be ready to help you with registration, replacement ballots and voting. Think of library staff as knowledgeable, friendly, election helpers.

#### Hours:

Libraries will be available during their regular business hours up until 8 PM to help and assist voters on August 6, 2019 only.

#### Questions?

(253) 798-VOTE (8683)

#### Services:

- Register to vote.
- Update voter registration.
- Get a ballot and vote.
- Replacement ballots for lost, damaged, or miss-marked ballots.
- Get a voters' pamphlet.

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### Disability Assistance



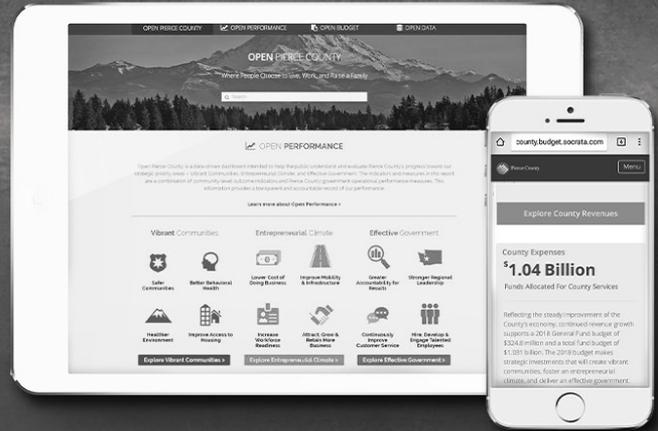
Center for Independence  
(253) 582-1253 (voice)  
(800) 724-8172

Hearing, Speech & Deafness Center  
(253) 475-0782 (voice)  
(253) 474-1748 (TTY)  
(253) 292-2209 (videophone)

Tacoma Area Coalition of  
Individuals with Disabilities  
(253) 565-9000 (voice)  
711 (TTY)

# OPEN PIERCE COUNTY

# explore



Start *exploring* at [www.piercecountywa.gov/OPEN](http://www.piercecountywa.gov/OPEN)

Open Pierce County is a data-driven dashboard intended to help the public understand and evaluate Pierce County's progress toward our strategic priority areas – **Vibrant Communities**, **Entrepreneurial Climate**, and **Effective Government**. Other portions of the OpenPierceCounty site are Open Budget, a guided view through complex financial information, and Open Data, where individuals can view datasets and create their own filters and charts from the data.

# Get THE card at your local library!

 **Pierce County  
Library System**  
Information & Imagination  
[piercecountylibrary.org](http://piercecountylibrary.org)

**tacoma public library**  
[tacomalibrary.org](http://tacomalibrary.org)



**PUYALLUP PUBLIC  
LIBRARY**  
— Est. 1913 —  
[puyalluplibrary.org](http://puyalluplibrary.org)



**POINT OF ASSISTANCE**  
Pierce County Elections + Libraries



He depends on you.  
You can **depend on us.**

Family Caregiver Support  
253-798-4600 800-562-0332  
PierceADRC.org



Pierce County  
Human Services

## Family Caregiver Support

Helping unpaid family caregivers in Pierce County with supports and services including:

- Information and education
- Minor adaptive equipment
- Housework and errands
- Counseling and support
- Community referrals
- Respite care

Assistance is available for all income levels.

Contact the Aging and Disability Resource Center  
253-798-4600 800-562-0332 PierceADRC.org





## Justin Camarata

**Elected Experience:** Tacoma City Council (Interim), representing the district that includes the Tideflats and much of the Port of Tacoma. Committees included Community Vitality & Safety, Government Performance & Finance, and multiple regional

polymaking boards.

**Other Professional Experience:** Over ten years in project management roles for both startup and Fortune 500 tech companies throughout the Puget Sound region.

**Education:** BA, Political Science, University of Washington

**Community Service:** Forterra, Puget Sound Regional Council, Center for Urban Waters, Crystal Judson Family Justice Center, and various other local boards and commissions dedicated to environmental and economic health.

**Statement:** I'm running because I believe that with a new generation of leadership, the Port of Tacoma can become an even stronger asset for Pierce County than it is today. I'm offering forward-looking vision that's backed with experience and an understanding of the local and global challenges we face. I know we can do more, and I'm ready to help chart a new course.

As a former Tacoma City Councilmember who's also experienced in business development, I have the relationships and the policy knowledge necessary to strengthen the Port and make it more competitive for the jobs of the future. I'll work to make us a leader in new industries, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and fight for our climate, to boost local hiring and increase opportunities for Pierce County residents, and to improve transparency for taxpayers.

We deserve a Port Commissioner who will pursue the future, not the past. The status quo is no longer an option for the environment or the economy, and we need a leader who will prioritize innovation and growth over declining ways of doing business. I'm asking for your vote for a more equitable, more sustainable, and more prosperous future for the Port.

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## Frank Boykin

**Elected Experience:** Precinct Committee Officer – Elected 2014.

**Other Professional Experience:** Enterprise Account Manager/Executive, National, Regional and Small Business Development at United

Parcel Service. United Parcel Service Business Development Transportation Executive for Amazon (UPS's largest Northwest client). Frequent community speaker throughout Washington State.

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration, Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Missouri.

**Community Service:** World Affairs Council Tacoma; President-Elect Pierce College Foundation Board of Directors; Board of Directors–American Leadership Forum (ALF) of Tacoma/Pierce County; UPS Ambassador of the Year - Congressional Awareness Team; Commissioner, University Place Planning Commission; Washington State Commission on African American Affairs; Trustee - Annie Wright School.

**Statement:** Frank Boykin is running for Port Commissioner because he wants to use his qualifications and experience to positively impact our community. Frank cares deeply about issues that mean the most to us – safeguarding family-wage jobs, protecting our environment and building a vibrant business climate in the new era.

As Vice Chair of the University Place Planning Commission, Frank Boykin has worked tirelessly creating a framework to attract business growth while preserving our unique quality of life. And as a UPS executive, he's managed shipping and transportation throughout the Northwest and globally for more than 25 years.

With your support, Frank Boykin will bring innovative, positive changes to the Port of Tacoma. As an accomplished business executive, worldwide transportation and logistics professional and community leader, Frank encourages collaboration to achieve tangible results, and has a track record in doing so.

We can count on Frank Boykin to bring his passion, curiosity, expertise, servant's heart and spirit of partnership to "the Port." Your vote is important for the future of our great Port of Tacoma. Please support Frank Boykin -- his is the informed, upward new voice needed at our Port of Tacoma. Thank you.

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## Deanna Keller

**Elected Experience:** President (former), Broadway Center for the Performing Arts Board of Trustees

**Other Professional Experience:** President, KelTech Plastics 2008-present; Principal, Park Lodge Elementary

in Clover Park School District 2006-2008 and Woodland Elementary in Puyallup School District 1998-2006. Assistant Principal, Stahl Junior High 1997-1998. Puyallup School District Music Program Coordinator 1993-1997. U.S. Marine Corps 1983-1988.

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, Western Washington University; Masters Degree, Northwestern University; Ph.D. candidate, Catholic University of America

**Community Service:** Northwest Maritime Trade Association, Tacoma Sister Cities Program, Transportation Club, Tacoma Propeller Club, Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber, Goodwill Industries Business Advisory Council

**Statement:** We must do everything possible to protect the value of our Port by increasing family-wage jobs, improving worker safety, upgrading roads and bridges which provide Port access, and reducing congestion on area highways. We must keep the Port of Tacoma an asset for future generations.

The Port must have a proven leader as it also faces contentious and challenging issues. We must ensure those living and working in our Port area are safe, and we must always work hard to improve our water, air and environment.

As a US Marine, I proudly served this nation and learned the value of leadership, integrity and commitment. As a small business owner, I have created family-wage jobs in a safe, healthy environment. As an educator, I have worked with a broad cross-section of the community to accomplish goals on a limited budget through collaboration and inclusiveness. As a Port Commissioner, I will listen and work in partnership to get things done. Thank you for your consideration.

Endorsements from the Tacoma Longshore Union, Tacoma Firefighters and leaders like former US Congressman Norm Dicks, Pierce County Executive Dammeier, former State Representative Seaquist and Port Commissioner Don Johnson. More at [www.deannakeller.com](http://www.deannakeller.com)

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## TV Tacoma Candidate Forums



TV Tacoma will once again host and produce candidate forums this year.

Candidate forums will be televised for the following offices in the 2019 Primary Election:

- Port of Tacoma.
- City of Tacoma.
- Tacoma School District No. 10.

Forums are moderated by the League of Women Voters. Questions are prepared by the Community Council of Tacoma.

Scan the code below with your smartphone and you will be taken to the TV Tacoma Special Presentation page.



(Or type <https://bit.ly/2tVntHZ> in the address bar of your browser.)



## Kristin Ang

**Elected Experience:** Proudly running to serve for the first time.

**Other Professional Experience:** Business Attorney; Clean Energy Group; While at the University of Hong Kong, I worked at U.S. Commercial Service helping U.S. companies enter the Chinese market.

commercial Service helping U.S. companies enter the Chinese market.

**Education:** Juris Doctor, Cornell Law School; University of Hong Kong and Kenneth Wang School of Law focus on international law, business and trade; BA Business Administration, University of Puget Sound; Bellarmine Preparatory High School; Harbor Heights Elementary Gig Harbor.

**Community Service:** Board President of City Club of Tacoma; Pro-bono legal work and advocacy; Filipino American Lawyers of Washington.

**Statement:** The Port of Tacoma needs a new generation of leaders who will embrace our changing global economy and directly face challenges. As your commissioner, I will work to *improve relations with the community* including the Puyallup Tribe, labor, business, and local governments. I will provide *strong environmental and economic stewardship* that will strengthen our trade and maritime industry. Also, I will *support new businesses and industries providing family wage jobs*. To do this, the Port must connect our educational institutions and research centers to Port-related industries, modernize infrastructure, and expand community access to Port-related opportunities and jobs.

While studying abroad, I experienced firsthand China's heavy pollution. We must preserve the beauty, quality of life, and natural resources of our Pacific NW. I will act to reduce underwater noise and air pollution, improve water quality, and increase shore power technology.

*I am opposed to increasing the Port's property taxes.* The Port must be accountable and benefit all Pierce County. I'll ensure that heavy polluters are held responsible for their share of cleanup. Taxpayers should never have to bail out irresponsible corporations.

I ask for your vote to help shape the vision for our Port.

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## Dave Bryant

**Elected Experience:** Pierce County Precinct Committee Officer.

**Other Professional Experience:** US Navy retired (1974-2001). Ship based fighter pilot (1974-1992). Executive Officer USS Enterprise (1993-1996);

Captain USS Supply (1996-1998). Captain USS Theodore Roosevelt CVN71 (1998-2001); Boeing Kent engineering and business development (2001-present).

**Education:** MBA University of Washington; Graduate Nuclear Power School, Top Gun, Test Pilot School, War College; MS Physics; MS Aero; BA Physics.

**Community Service:** 3 decades Navy service; taught English as a second language; served on a crisis line and food banks; and currently on Pierce County Surface Water Advisory Board and nonprofit Theodore Roosevelt Association Board.

**Statement:** An international port is an increasingly competitive business. In my 27 years in the navy, I've worked with ports worldwide including Japan, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea, Dubai, Turkey, Italy, etc. I know sea-ports; I know what it takes to keep our port competitive.

Our port is our economic engine. A Boeing employee, I know import/export businesses need a strong port and skilled labor. We must focus on family-wage job growth by attracting new customers to our thriving international port. These jobs are the basis for Pierce County's economy. To compete with other west coast ports, the Panama Canal and British Columbia, our port must have: Ready access to port navigation and pierside services; Environmental protections meeting high US standards; Safe and expeditious cargo offload and onload; Unimpeded train and truck cargo transport.

I will work to keep a modern, competitive port, provide more family-wage jobs, and greater community outreach. I ask for your vote so we can work together to make our port more competitive while making it a cleaner and safer contributor to our environment.

Dave and Michele have three daughters and one granddaughter and live in the Pierce County community of Lake Tapps.

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## Shelly Schlumpf

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**Elected Experience:** President-elect, Puyallup Historical Society. Past Chair, Travel Tacoma + Pierce County.

**Other Professional Experience:** President, Main Street Elements;

President & CEO, Puyallup Sumner Chamber; Main Street Manager, National Trust for Historic Preservation; Executive Director, Sumner Downtown Association; Co-owner, Tru-Line Construction

**Education:** Graduate, Orting High School. Attended Pierce College and University of Puget Sound.

**Community Service:** Honorary Commander, 62nd Airlift Wing, JBLM. SR 167 Coalition, Sumner Rotary, Transportation Club of Tacoma, Tacoma Propeller Club, Tacoma Sister Cities, Sumner YMCA Advisory Council, Puyallup Historical Fish Hatchery, Puyallup River Watershed Council, South Sound Chamber Legislative Coalition. Appointed member of local Lodging Tax Advisory Committees.

**Statement: Economic Development.** Shelly has worked tirelessly for the last 15 years with community leaders, businesses, labor and elected officials for transportation funding, support of Port-related jobs and protecting the port's critical role in our local economy.

**Infrastructure:** Shelly will work to reduce traffic congestion, enhance mobility of traffic, cargo, freight and people, modernize our terminals, and encourage greater development on port lands recognizing options to maximize environmental benefit.

**Innovation:** Shelly will seek to provide security and safety for those working in and around the port, protect our environment and safeguard the health of our community. Choices of the past have been eclipsed by new technology and science. She will work to transform these areas of concern through innovation and other advancements.

Shelly is committed to continuing her advocacy efforts in a new role as Port Commissioner to ensure our next generation has solid job opportunities and a quality of life supported by Washington's strong trade economy. *Endorsements: Tacoma Longshore Union, Tacoma Firefighters, U.S. Congressman Denny Heck, Pierce County Executive Bruce Dammeier, State Senator Hans Zeiger, past and present Port Commissioners Don Johnson and Connie Bacon, former U.S. Congressman Norm Dicks, former Pierce County Executive Joe Stortini.*

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## Anthony Ase

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**Elected Experience:** Union Bargaining Rep

**Other Professional Experience:** Math Teacher; Department Head; Multi-Sport Coach

**Education:** AA Whatcom Community College; BA Western Washington University; MA - Ed Western Governors University

**Community Service:** Roller Derby coach; Community Liason

**Statement:** Auburn's city council needs a voice in it that speaks for the average worker in Auburn. We need someone at town hall meetings who understands where fellow constituents are coming from.

As a math teacher I take complex ideas and simplify them so that a wide array of thinkers can understand and engage in any topic. As a local roller derby coach, I keep in touch with my community. As a union bargaining team member, I engage those in authority and speak up for those who need a voice.

I intend to have the council act on issues that affect us on a daily basis, such as making sure the garbage isn't overflowing on the Interurban Trail, increasing neighborhood bus access, and making sure utilities run reasonably and responsibly.

I want to represent you as one of you. Thank you.

**For More Information:**

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## Ryan Burnett

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**Elected Experience:** This will be my first time seeking an elected position as a public servant.

**Other Professional Experience:** 19 years as a chef/manager, budget management greater than the budget of the City of Auburn

**Education:** Agape Boarding School, Valedictorian; U.S. Army

**Community Service:** Volunteer in Renton School District and Auburn School District. Member of the Mayor's Job Task Force.

**Statement:** As an Auburn resident, I have witnessed many positive and negative changes to our city. Many priorities face us, including displaced families, a safer community, the opioid crisis, having a financially stable city, more jobs and business opportunities, roadwork and more. As a council member, I vow to work towards the success of these.

As a Chef, mentor and restaurant manager for 19 years, I have developed the strengths of problem solving and leadership abilities. I am known for my passion, taking initiative and being proactive in problem solving, constantly looking for ways to improve systems, processes and procedures. In my current position, I manage a budget greater than the City of Auburn. I volunteer at my daughter's school in Auburn and am an inaugural member of the Mayor's new Jobs Task Force.

Some of the candidates are recent political transplants with partisan agendas. I truly have the good of the city and it's people at the front of my intentions, and when elected, I will passionately commit to bettering our community.

**For More Information:**

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www.facebook.com/ElectBurnett2019/



## Robyn Mulenga

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**Elected Experience:** Auburn School Board Director no. 2, 2015 - 2019

**Other Professional Experience:**  
Land contracts for the federal government

**Education:** First in family to graduate college. BA in Communications, Pacific Lutheran University

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** My time as an Auburn School Board Director has provided me with valuable experience. I am running for city council with the objective of creating a welcoming environment where residents want to live, work and see their businesses flourish. It's important to have a diverse, inclusive community where all people feel accepted.

My goals are to participate in finding solutions for homelessness and to continue the active engagement between the city, it's neighbors, the school district and Green River College.

For the past 4 years, I have listened to and addressed the concerns of our community. I will continue to listen and drive change as a city council member.

I know how to work well with others to make progress. In my role as a school board member, I was influential in bringing a bond, supported by voters, for two new, elementary schools and six replacement schools. These facilities will make a difference in the lives of children, educators, and the surrounding community. I have lived, raised my family and made my home in Auburn for the last fourteen years. I ask for your support and vote.

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## Kerri Hubler

**Elected Experience:** PTA President 2014- 2015, 2016 - 2017: BLHS Choir Boosters President 2015-2017: BLHS Band Boosters President 2017 - Present

**Other Professional Experience:** 3 years CFO and GM at D&R Nurseries. 7 years bookkeeper/ financial accountant S&K Business Services, Blue Star Transportation. 10 years fundraising and marketing for Paul Davis Restoration and other organizations.

**Education:** Aberdeen High School and Grays Harbor College.

**Community Service:** Johnson Cancer Foundation 2015 - present, Troop Leader Girl Scout Troop 40519 2013-present, BLHS Band, Choir, & PPP 2014-present, Beautify Bonney Lake Team Leader 2013-present, CWE Art Docent/ classroom assistant 2012-2018, Lakeridge MS 2013-present and more.

**Statement:** I fell in love with Bonney Lake upon moving here in 2011. I have found getting involved is the best way to make a difference, which is why I have been involved with various community groups over the last 8 years.

I believe in open government and fiscal responsibility. This is why it will be important to me to work with my fellow councilmember's to make sure we remain transparent, continue finding ways to be more efficient with tax dollars and looking for grants to help fund improvements.

While growth is necessary for jobs and tax dollars, I will work to continue ensuring it is effectively managed and that developers continue to pay their share to help fund parks, roads, traffic improvements, and infrastructure.

I will bring a different perspective and more ideas for efficient management to the city and be a voice for all constituents. I will work to keep dialogue open and honest at all times for my constituents and be a dedicated council member. We together can continue building this great city to keep our parks safe, streets clean, and your voices heard.

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## James (Kelly) McClimans

**Elected Experience:** Lake Jane Estates President, Lake Jane Park Board

**Other Professional Experience:** 34 Years of Software Engineering: Software Technical Fellow, Chief Architect, Software Manager, and Technical Lead.

**Education:** Bachelor Mathematics University Washington 1985, UW C++ Certified, UW 3D Game Certified, Digital Signal Processing Air Force Institute Of Technology

**Community Service:** Sunday school teacher (12 years); Youth leader (6 years); Soccer coach (12 years); Lake Jane Estates Board(6 years); President Lake Jane Estates (1 year); Member of Families For A Responsible Bonney Lake; Happily married (39 years); 2 adult children - graduates of UW Seattle and happily married, 4 adorable grandchildren.

**Statement:** I will work to make government responsible to you. Water should not be a profit opportunity for the city; it is a service for you and should be affordable. Growth must be managed well. Bonney Lake can be a beautiful, business friendly community or it can become a sprawling suburb like South Hill.

I commit to ask: "How much is enough?" I commit to always ask: "Will this serve citizens well?" I commit to preserving the beauty of Bonney Lake. I commit to responsible spending by safeguarding the existing budget and fighting unplanned expenditures. I commit to responsible growth by ensuring the plans and the budget for the city provides the critical services: police, streets, water, and sewer. I commit to a measured, responsible approach to growth that doesn't tax the existing citizens. If city growth through annexation requires tax increases, I will not support that! I commit to responsible planning so plans ensure efficient use of every dollar. I understand every dollar spent is taken from citizens and it's a sacred responsibility to use those dollars wisely.

I would be honored to serve you, and request your vote.

Duty is ours; results are God's. - John Quincy Adams

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## Pablo Monroy

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**Elected Experience:** Precinct Committee Officer

**Other Professional Experience:** Commercial Diver & Dive Medic, Washington Army National Guard 2012-present; Co-Founder of Odd

Otter Brewing Company; U.S. Navy 2006-2010 on the USS John C. Stennis

**Education:** Graduate of Pasco High School; Highline Community College 2010-2011; University of Washington Tacoma 2012-2014; Divers Institute of Technology 2018

**Community Service:** Current Vice-Chair, Bonney Lake Park Commission; Past board Member, Pierce County Veterans Advisory Council; Board Member, Servicemembers United; Leader, United Through Reading, which connects deployed service members with their families

**Statement:** As Bonney Lake continues to grow, prices of utilities continue to rise, and traffic coming up 410 is coming to a standstill, now more than ever your voice and vision for our beautiful city should be represented on our City Council. I will work hard to be your advocate and bring my experience in building and owning a business and working as a team while ensuring more than just a responsible government, but one accountable to you.

Ensuring public safety and giving law enforcement the tools it needs to do their jobs. Maintaining and attracting businesses to build here in Bonney Lake is a pivotal aspect of our growth. Finally focusing on creating a livable city with safe parks & reasonable utility bills. These things will be my focus should I be elected.

I've been proud to make the voice of families louder in bringing up problems such as the trash heaps & drug dens in Midtown Park or advocating for the first all-access play structure in Bonney Lake as Park Commissioner.

I am hoping to bring my energy and experience to the Bonney Lake City Council and work as a team to be your voice.

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## PJ Salvati

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**Elected Experience:** With limited experience, I plan to gain as much as I can through previous candidates and newly elected candidates.

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** Graduated from Enumclaw High School in 2003.

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** I spent most my life in Enumclaw and decided to settle down in Carbonado with my two amazing children where we have lived for the last five years. I wanted them to attend one of the best school districts in the state and be able to be raised in one of the last true small towns. This is where I call home, and where I want to raise my kids.

I believe I'm the right person for the job because I will fight for preserving our small community and work with my fellow neighbors to make the right decisions for our town. As our town grows, there will be ample opportunity for improvements as well as sustainment and I want to be the voice for the community. Thank you for the opportunity to run and I am proud to be a Carbonado resident.

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## Magdalen (Maggie) Emry

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**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

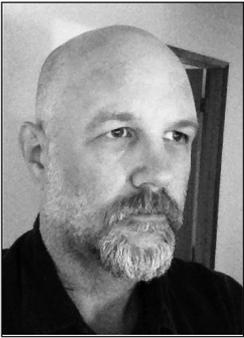
**Other Professional Experience:** I have been in the commercial insurance industry for 15 years and am currently a Commercial Insurance Underwriter.

**Education:** White River High School

**Community Service:** I'm an active member in the Carbonado Community Church where I teach Sunday School. I also volunteer once a week at Carbonado School where my two children attend.

**Statement:** I have lived in Carbonado for 32 of my 33yrs, left once and realized I had to come back right away! I've decided to run for town council because I feel I have the time and energy to devote to our town's future. After attending many meetings over the last two years, I am eager to participate in the decision making for the town I love and that my children will grow up in. Carbonado has been home to 5 generations of my family and I hope to help keep it a place for generations to come that will choose to make it their home as well. I know I will be able to fulfill the responsibilities of this position in a positive manner and look forward to engaging with our community.

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## Terry Carter

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**Elected Experience:** I have no previous elected experience.

**Other Professional Experience:** 8 years in the US Navy as a Nuclear Machinist Mate. 25 years working in the aerospace field in a variety of roles.

**Education:** US Navy Nuclear Power School. Two year trade school

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** It would be my honor to serve you as the Position 5 town council member.

I think we have a great little town and It is my belief that we should all serve our community at sometime in our lives, so I have chosen now to do so.

It is my intent to serve you, our citizenry, to the utmost of my ability, first and foremost.

My main concern, and I think many would agree, is that the services we pay for every month are quite high, and while I don't think there is any magic solution, it is my intent to see that our money is spent wisely and we are fiscally responsible.

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## Ronald Frederick

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Ten Years U.S. Navy SEAL Officer/Vietnam Combat Veteran. Eighteen Years Financial Services Private Sector. Fourteen Years Social Security

Administration (retired 2011). Six Years Washington Secretary of State Corporations Division (retired 2019). Three Years Adjunct Professor of Ethics Chapman University Lacey (2008-2011)

**Education:** Steilacoom Schools (K-8) and Lakes High School. BA Political Science, University of Washington, MBA National University, San Diego, California

**Community Service:** Chairperson DuPont Sequelitchew Creek Committee 2010-2011. Various Leadership Positions Oberlin Congregational Church Steilacoom (1979-2016), Board of Directors Tacoma Children's Home Society, Boy Scouts of America-Eagle Scout and Regional Advisor

**Statement:** Why should I be your mayor? I am grounded here. I grew up here attending Steilacoom Schools and have lived in DuPont 19 years. My children and grandchildren live in DuPont. I gained leadership experience through various occupations (private sector, state and federal government). I am a combat veteran and served ten years as a Navy SEAL.

As an ethics professor I taught my students that the ends do not justify the means. In city government, the citizens do not work for the mayor, but rather the mayor is a servant of the citizens. DuPont should be a great small town with a focus on safety, children, and the gifts of nature and history. To insure this happens, I need your help. As mayor, I will listen and present pro and con options. I will not belittle you or your opinion. I will lead in a way that makes you proud.

I am aware that DuPont citizens have spent considerable time and money to keep their own city government from circumventing the city code and comprehensive plan. Working with you, I intend to create a new spirit of partnership. I would be honored to have your vote.

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## Mike Gorski

**Elected Experience:** City of DuPont-Council Position 3, 2014-2018

**Other Professional Experience:** 4 years Engineering Simulation Manager Kenworth; 10 years experience in Technical Program Management at

Intel and Microsoft; 18 years experience in Quality Engineering; all at Fortune 500 corporations; 6 years Predictive Engineering Consultant specializing in advanced statistical tolerance modeling and lean engineering in the United States, Europe, and Asia.

**Education:** BS-Mechanical Engineering: Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan.

**Community Service:** President, DuPont Transportation Benefit District; Junior Achievement Mathematics Tutor 2003; Treasurer Intel DuPont Golf League at the Home Course 2005-2010; Community Blogger Seattle Post-Intelligencer 2008-2013. Co-Chairman of Against Committee for 2012 DuPont Prop 1.

**Statement:** My list of achievements on DuPont City Council includes creating the citywide response plan for damaged trees, sidewalks; refinancing the debt on the Civic Center; driving Lean and Kaizen management principles at City Hall, all better serving citizens.

I gained a reputation of holding City Hall, Real Estate developers, and State agencies accountable by asking direct and pointed questions on behalf of the citizens of DuPont. I cautioned the community in 2011 on the impact Amazon, and warehouse development, would bring to the city. I take being the voice for the community seriously.

Challenges remain in executing DuPont's development that requires balancing the needs of business and community, ensuring impacts are minimal to both interests. This cannot be done from behind a keyboard or on social media. I offer a tough but reasonable and decisive approach to finding a common ground to often disparate, entrenched opinions.

Tax burdens throughout the region continues to rise. We *cannot* shun new tax revenue businesses create, nor continue to spend tax dollars for studies on how to spend taxes. Between these two philosophies there is a *middle*. Between everything and nothing is something. I would appreciate your vote to build our success together.

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## Mike Courts

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**Elected Experience:** DuPont City Council 2012-2015, Mayor 2016-Present

**Other Professional Experience:** U.S. Army 30 years, retired Colonel; Army Aviator in variety of command

and staff positions, including; Battalion and Brigade Commander, Chief of Staff 1st Infantry Division, Deputy Chief of Staff I Corps. Four deployments, two each to Bosnia and Iraq. Ski Instructor Summit at Snoqualmie

**Education:** Clover Park High School; BS, West Point; MA, Webster University (Management); MA, US Army War College, (Strategic Studies)

**Community Service:** Active in Christ Lutheran Church in Lakewood, WA, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars

**Statement:** I am honored to serve as Mayor and proud of what we accomplished. We increased Public Safety and other services without increasing taxes. Using innovative solutions, we are restoring our sidewalks and replacing trees where needed, without tax increases. Our actions after the tragic December 2017 Amtrak derailment were recognized as a model of civic disaster response. We created a public off-leash area primarily through volunteer fundraising. We increased government effectiveness by moving to a biennial (2-year) budget. Over three years of negotiations with Amazon resulted in a new Wharf Road entrance/exit with trucks off Center Drive. Commercial growth in DuPont is bringing jobs, economic activity and additional resources to our City. The combined efforts of citizens, volunteers, staff and elected officials updated our municipal code to better protect our quality of life and sensitive areas. We began the process of cleaning contamination from historic and recreational sites in Old Fort Lake to eventually make these available for public use. DuPont has come a long way, but we have farther to go. Together, we can preserve the best of our city while continuing to move forward and make it even better. I ask for your vote.

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## Kimber Starr

**Elected Experience:** Precinct Committee Officer

**Other Professional Experience:** Realtor, Coldwell Banker Bain; Legislative Aide, Senator Steve Conway

**Education:** Broken Arrow HS. University of Oklahoma, Philosophy. Washington State Real Estate Fundamentals and Practices, licensed 2014.

**Community Service:** Realtor member of the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority Board. Non-Profit fundraiser for American Liver Association and American Cancer Society. PTA Executive Committee Wainwright Intermediate. Fircrest Pool and Community Center Campaign

**Statement:** Like so many of you, I chose Fircrest to raise my family and be part of this welcoming community. I'm excited to work with all of you to keep this a great place to raise families.

I want Fircrest to continue to be a place where my kids will want to live when they grow up. As a working mom and cancer survivor who is raising her son and daughter here, we have work to do to ensure first responders have the resources they need, our housing remains affordable and we are continuing to improve our transportation choices. We will need to continue to work with regional partners, non-profits and our businesses to reduce homelessness.

I have been working in real estate for the last several years in Fircrest. I believe in giving back to this community. I believe that your council member should be accessible, and that increased community engagement makes for a vibrant city. I'm excited to take my business experience and knowledge of the challenges and opportunities facing this community from my time as a Realtor and serve you on the Fircrest City Council.

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## Jason Medley

**Elected Experience:** Fircrest City Council

**Other Professional Experience:** Correctional Officer, small business owner

**Education:** Rocky Mountain College B.S. Psychology, minor in Writing; Charles Wright Academy

**Community Service:** Fircrest Civil Service Commission, St. Charles Borromeo

**Statement:** You, the voters, have spoken; the Rec center and pool are important to the citizens of Fircrest. With that knowledge I can assure you that I will make responsible decisions with your money. This is one of the largest projects in the city's history. I have a past record of very responsible decision making concerning your money. We as a community need responsible and clear decisions regarding this project.

I am a second generation born and raised citizen of Fircrest. After college my wife and I chose to move back to Fircrest because of the welcoming, safe, and family oriented community that it is. My wife and I have now raised our own three kids here and they all have the same sense of community and small town values.

If accountability, trust, honesty, and responsibility are values you believe in then please vote for Jason Medley for Fircrest City Council Position 4. I have a proven record of being business friendly, fiscally responsible, and looking out for the citizens' best interests. I was also instrumental in taking on large scale projects with successful outcomes: repeal of the alcohol prohibition, various sewer projects, and the Regents Boulevard project.

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## Joe Barrentine

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**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Nearly 20 years as a journalist serving as both a photo editor and photojournalist at the three largest newspapers in Washington state.

Currently on the communications staff at the Port of Tacoma. Co-founder of Grit City Photography.

**Education:** BA in Communication from Washington State University and attended Tacoma Community College.

**Community Service:** An active member of the Fircrest Pool, Community Center and Parks Steering Committee; founder and director of the Tacoma Diaper Drive supporting The Food Connection; volunteer with wear blue: run to remember.

**Statement:** My wife and I moved to Fircrest for its strong sense of community. We feel there is no better place for our two young daughters to grow up. With this in mind, I am motivated to help preserve the community's best qualities for future generations.

To me, that means working together as a council to strike the right balance of fiscal responsibility and community investment. I promise to be open to input and feedback from every corner of Fircrest and be your voice on the council.

I was part of Fircrest's volunteer steering committee that analyzed options for the pool, community center, and parks, and helped developed the plan that residents voted for this spring. I also worked on the "Vote Yes" campaign. Now I'd like to join the city council to see the plan through and ensure that citizens' recommendations are made a priority.

I am dedicated to representing the views of the new-to-town and young families while respecting and honoring the spirit and people who've made this community so special. Vote for Joe.

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## Chas. Ames

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** -Detachment Commandant of the local Marine Corps League. -2 term Chair of the City of Lakewood's Public Safety Advisory Committee -Single dad and a member of Harrison Prep's PTO for 6 years and President -President of Pacific/Springbrook Neighborhood Assoc. -Washington National Guard State Historical Society Board member -Lifetime member of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars -Lakewood Arts Task Force and first contributor -Associate's degree at Pierce College in Communications, recently made the President's List with Phi Theta Kappa honors, transferring to University of Washington, Tacoma

**Statement:** "One Term, Your Turn"

Aren't you tired of career candidates seeking career political office? Is that representing you?

Recently, Lakewood laid off 20 City personnel, then next year the council accepted the largest raise ever. I was the only one to question the council on this and the only one to speak on behalf of housing safety.

I have attended every Lakewood Citizen Advisory Board and Neighborhood Association meeting at some point. I have attended over a hundred official City of Lakewood functions. I am a 5th-Generation Washingtonian and spent half my life in Pierce Co.; most of that in Lakewood. If you do the job right, you should be exhausted at the end of that 4-year term. Still, why shouldn't a community say 'we want to hear from more voices'? I will help that next representative take over my job for us. No more yard signs. No more shady donations. No more status quo; choose change... choose Chas. (Facebook; 'choose Chas')

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## Ria J. Johnson

**Elected Experience:** Candidate for Lakewood City Council in 2013, 2017, 2019

**Other Professional Experience:** 2005-2013 - Non Profit Projects in the South Puget Sound 2013- Present - Insurance and Claims Litigation Counsel, Records

**Education:** Some College; CPSD 2005

**Community Service:** NW Chair KidsatHope.org, UWPC, Clover Park Kiwanis

**Statement:** Lakewood;

I filed for office to request the opportunity to earn your votes. I have the dedication, hard work plus patience, to serve on behalf of our community and have so for two decades. From my experience, a strong community is the reason behind the success I have today and it is a pleasure to pay it forward.

Growth - We are expanding, whether it be through internet applications or population. There are missed opportunities for leading the region with our resources. We need to invest in ourselves locally to make a greater impact.

Transportation - I would like to serve on the SoundTransit Board and assist in the oversight on Policy, Pricing and Planning of this vital regional project. As council member, I am eligible to serve on this committee and we need to ensure common sense policy. I own a 2014 vehicle and use public transportation daily while enjoying the sidewalks and bike lanes. Housing - ADUs, Adult Homes, Community Agreements, and Low income to Home ownership neighborhoods thrive in Pierce County and we should establish some key neighborhoods to encourage growth, retention and safety. It would be an absolute honor to serve on your behalf as Council member position 6.

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## Ken Witkoe

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Instructor at Bates Technical College and small business owner. Personal financial consultant (10 years). A member of the Society of Broadcast Engineers and Certified Television Operator (CTO)

**Education:** B.A.S. South Seattle: Professional Technical Teacher Education and Instructional Design

**Community Service:** Lakewood Public Safety Advisory Committee, Clover Park School District CTE Visual Communications Pathway Advisory, Pierce County Careers Connection Festival Advisory Committee. Former Pierce County Sheriff's Department Reserve Deputy and Lakewood Police Department Reserve officer. Past member of the Pierce County Criminal Justice Task Force, Lakewood Arts Commission, Court Appointed Special Advocate for Children (CASA), and past youth football, baseball, and basketball coach.

**Statement:** My family and I have lived in Lakewood for 15 years. As well as serving as a commissioned reserve officer for Lakewood, I have served on several boards and committees germane to youth-building, public safety and quality of life throughout Pierce County. If I have the privilege of serving on the Lakewood city council, I will focus on improving the quality of life for all Lakewood's citizens by encouraging community partnership programs and will support the strategic plan of the city by backing economic growth. Including improvements in infrastructure and ensuring public safety while striving toward goals of creating a diverse and well-trained team of first responders. I will work to create collaborative community mentorship programs between Lakewood's CTE programs, primary and secondary education and employers.

We must continue to enhance our beautiful public parks - including finding ways to safely and economically clean up area lakes and waterways that will encourage fragile ecosystems to recover and thrive.

My wife is a 2nd-grade teacher in the Tacoma Public Schools. We have been happily married for 36 years and have 2 grown children and 4 grandchildren. We attend Life Center Church in Tacoma. I humbly ask for your vote. Thank you.

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## Malcolm Russell

**Elected Experience:** Pierce County Planning Commission (Elected Chairman), Appointed to the Public Safety Advisory Committee for the City of Lakewood

**Other Professional Experience:** Nonprofit Executive - Community & Social Services, Construction and Real Estate Development, Past President of Keep Lakewood Beautiful (KLB), and member of MetroParks Citizens Advisory Board

**Education:** Graduate of Clover Park High School and Pierce College and Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of Washington

**Community Service:** 16 Years community service on the Tacoma and Pierce County Planning Commissions (Chairman), Served two terms on the Lakewood Public Safety Advisory Committee (Vice Chair), Volunteer Rotary Committee Chair and Board of Keep Lakewood Beautiful

**Statement:** Lakewood is a beautiful community with great opportunities. We should insure that our city continues to thrive, while maintaining that extraordinary charm and character that makes our community a special place to live, work, play and invest. Together we will work to continue to be an attractive place to live on all fronts and ensure that our citizens and neighborhoods effectively get the city responsiveness and the services they need.

1) Improved public safety measures, including policing, city planning and projects ensuring strong neighborhoods, excellent infrastructure, parks and other amenities.

2) Efficient city government, working to ensure our codes and budget support our neighborhoods and our schools to thrive, seeing well-planned city investments with definable outcomes and positive strategic goals.

3) Community building and aesthetics, working to strengthen our community connections and keeping Lakewood as a beautiful and friendly place to live, invest, work and to do business. I promise to listen and to work hard as your citizen-representative on the council. Together we can constructively address challenges and the many opportunities ahead of us to ensure the very best and the most positive outcomes for us all. I ask for your vote - thank you.

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## Wilbert Pina

**Elected Experience:** Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, UMCC State Representative for region 3. Elected 2014 to present. The Evergreen State College, Geoduck student union, and S&A Board Member 2011-12.

**Other Professional Experience:** DSHS-Respect, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Ambassador for Pierce North CSO, 2013- Current. DSHS-Region 3 Co-chair for Respect, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, 2018-Current. Student Trustee for The Evergreen State College 2011-12, appointed by Governor Christine Gregoire and confirmed by the Senate. President for young adult and executive member for the 28th District 2010-2011. Washington Student Association, Student Legislative Liaison for the Evergreen State College 2012.

**Education:** ESSEC Business School, 2019, Certification

### Community Service:

**Statement:** Lakewood has made great progress in fostering small businesses and bringing in revenue. I would go an extra step by developing and facilitating minorities and women in creating their small businesses. I'll advise organizations to acknowledge the disabled community in their needs. I pledge to support reducing homelessness by increasing affordable housing. I'll aid to improve education through debt-forgiveness programs, increase the pay of teachers and overall raise funding to public schools. I would also support policies that help lower crime, and policies that inspire more recycling and cleaner air.

My main goal is to make an active, engaging and pleasant community by developing options for a positive standard of living to all citizens of every walk of life, through common ideas and objectives for the future. Identifying the problems in an educational process using research-based knowledge and forming an inclusive, fair and diverse union that focuses on issues and needs. I do this for my compassionate son and your family. Come November vote for the candidate that appeals to your family needs and not because its habit to vote for the same!

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## Linda Farmer

**Elected Experience:** Pierce County Charter Review Commissioner

**Other Professional Experience:** Chief Communications Officer, Washington State Department of Enterprise Services; Communications

Director, Pierce County Library System; Community Relations Officer, City of Tacoma; Communications and Government Affairs Manager, City of Federal Way; Communications Director, Washington State Puget Sound Action Team; Communications Director, Association of Washington School Principals; News and Information Director, Pacific Lutheran University

**Education:** Master of Science, Communications Management, Syracuse University; Bachelor of Arts, Communications and Political Science, University of Washington

**Community Service:** KNKX 88.5 Community Advisory Board Member; Past Treasurer Idlewild Elementary PTA; Past Board Member City Club of Tacoma and Citizens for a Healthy Bay

**Statement:** I'm running for City Council because I believe Lakewood can do more. I love this city. I've lived in the same Oakbrook neighborhood for 16 years and my daughter attends Clover Park public schools. I understand the traits that make our community a good place to live, play and work.

We need a thriving city center to grow our economy and broaden our tax base - not more apartment complexes. *I'll protect our parks, expand community gathering spaces and will work to improve efficiency in law enforcement to save taxpayer dollars while upholding our high standard of public safety.*

As a former newspaper reporter, I know how to ask tough questions, research the issues, and work with stakeholders to come to consensus. I will bring new energy and a fresh perspective to City Hall.

I've spent my professional career making connections. As Communications Director for several public agencies, my job is to ensure that citizens are engaged with their government and can access the services they're paying for. *From fixing potholes and improving traffic signals to addressing homelessness and honoring our veterans, I want Lakewood to receive the attention it deserves.* I would be honored to have your vote.

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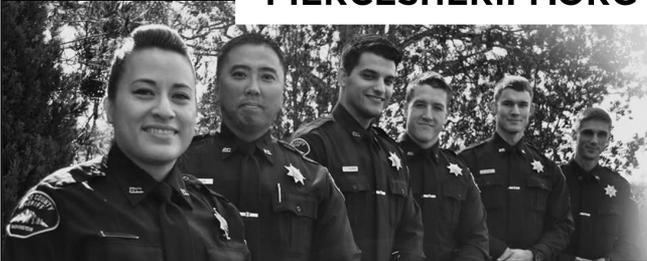
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Ages 3 1/2-5	TotPre-Soccer	June 24-Aug 5	Mon	4:40-5:15 pm	Goryea South Hill
		June 26-Aug 7	Wed	10:10-10:45 am	South Hill
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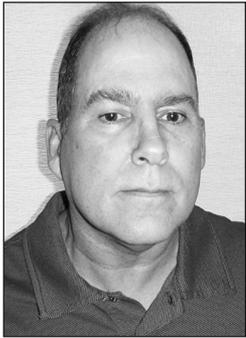
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## Richard Cosner

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**Elected Experience:** I have served on the Milton Events Committee when it began in 2011, as both a member, and Chair. Served on the EPFR Bond 1 Citizen Advisory Committee.

**Other Professional Experience:** Retired U.S. Army 23 years, Active, Guard, and Reserve.

**Education:** Associates in Arts: Distribution Operations Management

**Community Service:** I volunteer with the Police Department, video tape Council Meetings, volunteer with a Community Social Network, and attend EPFR Meetings regularly. I am also an active member of VFW Post 11401.

**Statement:** I sit here and think about this and running for Position 6 wasn't something I planned, it was something that called to me saying the residents needed more! More committment, dedication, desire, and heartfelt need to do what is right today! I am not perfect, don't declare to be, dont' want to be, but I know that I am a better person than I was 9 years ago when I first came to Milton and started working with the all the great groups and people in this community. There are a lot of things going on that need the attention of it's citizens and I hope that people get out of their house, vote, participate with the City, groups, anywhere, and get involved with what is happening around them. The Legislature is voting on taxes, the state is building highways and railroads in our back yard, and traffic from construction and the Port are at an all time high, with accidents, speeding, and Road Rage. Not to mention all of the traveling crime that comes through our small town! It's time all of us did something, that includes me, and it starts *Today!*

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## Phil Linden

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**Elected Experience:** I'm a Registered Nurse at Auburn Medical Center and value creating quality communities to better the residents of Milton. Milton is a residential gem, sitting on a high point looking over the South Sound. We must ensure we protect

and retain Milton's small town charm, while keeping pace with the advancements to keep Milton modern, vibrant, and safe.

**Other Professional Experience:** RN at Multicare, WSU Extension Educator, City of Shoreline Recreation Specialist,

**Education:** BA Outdoor Recreation, EWU. AS Nursing, Wenatchee Valley College.

**Community Service:** Volunteered for: 4H Ferry County, Washington State 4H Board Member, Warm Current Surfing, Ski Patrol, American Red Cross.

**Statement:** Hello! I'm Phil Linden and I would like to represent you on Milton City Council. Milton has a unique opportunity to be a residential area that also provides a calming respite from the nearby hustle and bustle of city life. By focusing on quality parks, schools, sidewalks, roads, trails, services, and infrastructure, we will ensure our town remains an appealing place to live and raise families. As we face the pressures of growth and development all around us, we must be intentional about the character of our town and how it will be defined before it is too late. We can retain the small town feel that we love with careful, skilled leadership. At my day job, I am a Registered Nurse at Auburn Medical Center. In the past, I worked as an Extension Educator for Washington State University and as a Recreation Specialist for the City of Shoreline. I have degrees in both in nursing and recreation and have dedicated my life towards improving and increasing the quality of life for all. I would be honored to continue that service in my own community and to serve you on Milton City Council in Position 6.

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## Mark E. Hutson

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**Elected Experience:** Milton City Mayor Pro Tem (2 terms); Milton Police Foundation (Board member, Treasurer); Federal Way City Tax and Lodging Committee (Former Chairman); Federal Way Community Council (Former Executive and Vice-President)

**Other Professional Experience:** Retired Boeing Supply Chain Management Analyst, Global Contracts and Procurement; Cornerstone, International Mergers/Acquisitions; Senate Analyst - FII Committee; Milton City Planning Commission

**Education:** MBA, Masters in International Business Management (Seattle International University); BA, Bachelors in Business Administration (Central Washington University)

**Community Service:** FW Boys and Girls Club (Former Board of Director); U.S. Navy League - Acapulco (Former Vice-President); 911 Commission Committee; FW Goodwill Games (Founder/Chair)

**Statement:** I would be honored to continue to represent the people of Milton as your City Councilmember.

I'm qualified to serve on City Council by virtue of my 30+ years of business experience, education, and civic leadership roles. But more importantly, Milton was home during my formative years and I was thrilled to return to Milton as an adult and be able to serve my community.

As your representative, I will continue to listen to your concerns, fight for transparency and be accountable to you. I will protect the family focused, pleasant atmosphere that Milton is known for.

City government must always operate within its means and adopt the appropriate strategy to meet budgetary obligations in a way that respects the taxpayer. Economic development is necessary and strengthens our tax base, but controlled growth is crucial to maintain our desired outcomes. I look forward to being your representative on the City Council and ask for your vote.

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## Noah Douglas

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**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Tacoma Public Schools; DPL Properties; Macy's

**Education:** B.A., The Evergreen State College

**Community Service:** I worked as a mentor for Summer Jobs 253 for two years, providing on-the-job training for high school juniors and seniors. I provided volunteer web design services for multiple non-profit organizations.

**Statement:** As a husband and father, my priority is creating the best environment to raise my daughters. We chose Milton because it offers a small-town feel while also providing access to many of the amenities and services of a larger city. I want to work hard to make sure Milton continues to be a place we can be proud to live and work in.

I am one of your neighbors and I have a passion for community. I believe in working for the people and helping them be heard. I am running for this position to help strengthen and grow our community. Let me be your voice on the city council.

I will prioritize promoting and growing local businesses, ensuring regular park maintenance and accessibility for all residents, and fiscal responsibility on the part of the council. Most importantly, I will listen. My plan starts with identifying areas of waste in the current city budget and reallocating those funds in ways that help families and residents live their daily lives and enjoy this great city.

I am an educator. My passion is helping students grow and face the future. Vote for me so I can do that for Milton.

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## Vic Kave

**Elected Experience:** Pacific City Council

**Other Professional Experience:** Professional Firefighter/EMT/Technical Rescue Specialist/Haz-Mat Technician; Small Forest Tree Farm Owner;

US Army Airborne Ranger-combat veteran.

**Education:** Associates in Technology, Associates Fire Command/Administration (Honors Graduate), Associates in Arts/Science (Honors Graduate), BS Business (Honors Graduate)

**Community Service:** Community volunteer, Youth baseball coach

**Statement:** Unfortunately, our infrastructure is in rapid decline. Our streets are crumbling and our sewers are on the verge of collapse in some areas of town. These are essential services that government provides its citizens. As council member, I made this a priority.

As a combat veteran, I understand the importance of sacrifice for the greater good. I also know the importance of being part of something bigger than myself. No team can succeed when the members believe they are bigger than the team. That selfish approach always results in failure in the long term. Government should work the same way. I have committed my life to public service and I have proven leadership experiences in building successful teams. As a council member, I promised to work with the Council and Mayor to fix our problems and develop plans that make our city an example to be followed rather than a city to be ridiculed. I believe I succeeded in keeping that promise. Allow me to move us forward, fix our streets and other infrastructure.

Help keep our city government clean. Support me for Mayor.

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## Leanne Guier

**Elected Experience:** Mayor 2013 to present, City Council 2009 to 2013, Current President of Sound Cities Association, Trustee on Risk Management Service Agency Board, Chair of Board of Governance Valley Regional Fire Authority

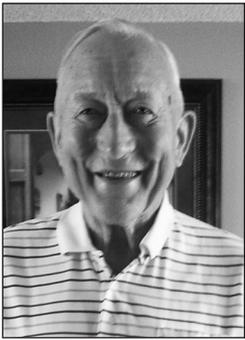
**Other Professional Experience:** Member State Building Code Council, Member of Citizens Committee on Pipeline Safety, King County Regional Transportation Committee, King County Flood Control Advisory Board, Regional Water Quality Control Committee

**Education:** 1979 High School Graduate and completed 5 year Staemfitter Apprenticeship Program

**Community Service:** Secretary for Terry Home Board of Directors for the past 10 years

**Statement:** I Love Pacific! We have gone from a city in crisis to a community we love to call home. As your Mayor, I have dedicated my time and energy to sitting on boards and committees to be an advocate for our city. I will continue to work hard for the residents of our community. It has been my mission to be open and transparent. I will continue to represent you and be your voice while working with neighboring communities on your behalf. We deserve a Mayor who will maintain our small-town feel while balancing economic development. That balance will enhance the services for our residents. I envision a future where our residents can both live and work in our community. I would consider it a great honor to continue to serve the City of Pacific as your Mayor. Afterall, it's *All About Community*.

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## Howard G. Erickson

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**Elected Experience:** Korean War veteran Former three term mayor and served on city council in Pacific, former supervisor of the public works department in Pacific. Elected twice over critical issues that citizens felt were needed to be resolved.

Current resident for 60+ years and owned and operated my own glass service. Graduate of Auburn High school

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** I am running to improve the city infrastructure and eliminate all of the safety issues this city has been faced with over the years as this area has grown. Such as people not living in the city driving through each day increasing traffic and putting our families in danger. I strongly support public safety and public works departments in our city. I support the uses of city funds and finances that will benefit all citizens. As mayor I would like to hold people accountable and see improvements in our city parks and roads so citizens can use and feel proud of where their tax dollars go. I am looking forward to being your next mayor, with your vote, together we can make the change this city desperately needs.

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## Matt Cuyle

**Elected Experience:** 2002 Marine Noncommissioned Officer Tanker of the Year.

**Other Professional Experience:** Owner/President of Papa Bears Plumbing; Tank Commander, 4th Tank Battalion, USMC; Washington Certified Plumber.

**Education:** US Marine Corps Tank School, Fort Knox, 1998; USMC Noncommissioned Officers Academy, Fort Crowder, Missouri, 2003; Marine Corps Institute (Leadership, Administration, Tactical Decisions, and Terrorism Awareness), 1998-2006; and the National Center for Construction Education and Research, 2001.

**Community Service:** Volunteer neighborhood organizer; Advocate for enhanced police protection and frequent speaker at Puyallup City Council meetings; Volunteer with Toys for Tots with the Marine Corp; and active part of cleanup efforts at the Puyallup River.

**Statement:** I am blessed to have been born in Puyallup. As a young man I took on tremendous responsibilities at an early age due to being from a single-parent household with a mother who was disabled. Today, I am fortunate to live close to the Puyallup River with my wife and three young daughters. The safety of our neighborhoods is of paramount concern to me. I believe that all children deserve a safe environment to grow up in. That is why I am running for office.

As a business owner, I also face the never-ending threat of large tax increases, excessive government regulations, and deteriorating streets and parks. I will bring transparent common-sense budgeting to the City, and make sure your hard-earned tax dollars are spent wisely. I am not afraid to make tough decisions that ensure your voice is heard.

When our home was robbed while we slept in 2015, I got involved. For over five years I have spoken at public forums, City Council Meetings, and Town Hall Meetings. I now want to use my experience and leadership skills to represent you as your City Council Member. I ask for your vote. Thank you. Matt

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## Robin Farris

**Elected Experience:** Puyallup City Councilmember (2016-current)

**Other Professional Experience:** United States Navy (Retired), 23 years of service and attained the rank of Lieutenant Commander; five years working in business; Pierce Transit Commissioner; Community Grants Committee Chair and 2060 Steering Committee for Affordable Housing

**Education:** MBA, Western Governors University; Master's Degree in Business Communication, Jones International University; Bachelor's, Chapman University; Puyallup High School, Puyallup/Sumner Chamber of Commerce Leadership Institute 2018

**Community Service:** Vice President of the Association of Puyallup/Sumner U.S. Army Subchapter, Citizen Action Committee for Affordable Housing and Homelessness, One-Woman Clean Up Crew, Young Life fundraiser, Downtown Puyallup Kiwanis

**Statement:** My great grandfather moved to Puyallup in the early 1900s. The sale of my grandfather's property saved the Meeker Mansion from demolition. My mother and I graduated from Puyallup High School. My historical context drives me to rebuild our sense of community.

Since being elected to City Council, I've sought to responsibly balance the budget and improve transparency. We have fully staffed our police department. However, we must do more to prioritize spending for roads, address speeding in neighborhoods and property crime to keep our small-town feel.

Puyallup is being hit by the homelessness crisis and opioid epidemic affecting our whole region. *The status quo is unacceptable.* We have too many homeless people on our streets, and Federal case law currently prevents police from enforcing our no camping and sit/lie ordinances. We must bring Puyallup in line with the legal framework to provide resources for those who want help and allow our police to hold bad actors accountable. It can be accomplished with respectful stakeholder discussion, innovative approaches, and strategic planning.

I'm committed to serving you! Contact me anytime at 253-905-2451. Thank you for allowing me to serve, and I respectfully ask for your vote.

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## Curtis Thiel

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**Elected Experience:** Puyallup/Sumner Chamber Board Member, Joint Service Clubs of Puyallup President, Rotary Assistant District Governor, Puyallup South Hill Rotary President, Puyallup Pioneer Park Condominium Association Board President

**Other Professional Experience:** Small Business Owner, Hard@Work Computers; Director of Technology, Dwyer Pemberton & Coulson

**Education:** Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer, South Puget Sound College Business Administration ATA/AA, Puyallup School District Graduate

**Community Service:** I have a long history of service as a key leader on local boards and in regional groups. My strong experience connecting diverse stakeholders to accomplish common goals makes me an excellent fit to impact the Puyallup City Council positively.

**Statement:** I live, work, and give back in Puyallup – and have for a long time. I am a proven community leader with reason, integrity, and conviction. I have owned a local business for 22 years and have been married to my wife Maija, who serves as the CTE director for the Puyallup School District, for 20 years. My leadership in a wide variety of business and community organizations has provided me with a unique understanding of how city regulations and taxes affect community growth, business climate, and quality of life for citizens of all ages.

My focus will be on safe neighborhoods and common-sense leadership for the City of Puyallup. I want what I had growing up in Puyallup for the youth of today and tomorrow. I also want our seniors to feel safe walking at night. With a homeless epidemic that has exploded, some of our leaders have not responded quickly enough to the challenges facing us. I will be accountable to citizens by listening and taking care of business.

My leadership skill is in bringing people together and creating smart change. I am the person of action and results that Puyallup needs to solve complex issues.

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## Brett Johnson

**Elected Experience:** N/A

**Other Professional Experience:**

United States Air Force Air Traffic Controller, Federal Aviation Administration Air Traffic Controller, NATO Civilian contract Air Traffic Controller, Small business owner/operator

**Education:** Community College of the Air Force AAS Air Traffic Operations and Management, Tacoma Community College

**Community Service:** Rebuilding Together South Sound, East Side Neighborhood Council, Eastside Youth Football fundraising, Mary Bridge Festival of Trees, Habitat For Humanity

**Statement:** This is my first campaign for public office of any kind and I'm running because I feel there is a disconnect between policy makers and everyday citizens. As we experience historic growth the need for "regular Joe" perspective to preserve and maintain things about our city we all endear, as well as break free of policy that has hampered or impeded great new additions to our community is needed

As an Air Traffic Controller I learned to make good, and decisive decisions in the face of chaos while maintaining safety for 100's of people daily. As a business owner I've experienced first hand adoption and execution of codes, ordinances, and policies and the consequences (good/bad) on consumers, employees, and business owners alike.

Those who know me well know me as an "outside the box" problem solver. I would like to use this talent in conjunction with compromise in addressing the opioid epidemic, under housing, living wage job, street maintenance, and construction boom issues that our city faces. Common sense with the highest priority on an equitable outcome for all will be my highest priorities. Tacoma can be a "City of Destiny" for all citizens.

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## Courtney Love

**Elected Experience:** Precinct Committee Officer, precinct 29-606

**Other Professional Experience:**

Food Service, Music Seller, Doula, Lab Biller, Phlebotomist, Foster Child Transport, Caretaker, Metalsmith Assistant

**Education:** Lincoln HS '95; Attended Pierce College; Doula, Bates Technical College; Medical Billing/Phlebotomy, Astor Technology Institute; Attended Alexandar School of Natural Therapeutics

**Community Service:** Our Revolution Washington Coalition Vice-Chair, 2016-present; Our Revolution Pierce County Chair, 3/2018-present; Tacoma Democratic Socialists of America Electoral Working Group Co-Chair, 4/2019-present, Democratic Party Precinct Committee Officer 4/2018-present, Whole Washington Board Member, 9/2018-present, Safe Streets 1989-1995. Occasional protests or actions as parenting allows.

**Statement:** As a lifelong citizen of Tacoma, I've lived in nearly every area of the city. As the child of a single mother and a single mother myself, I know first hand how the struggle to make ends meet can lead to overwhelming hopelessness and desperate circumstances. However, in my years of advocacy, from the community center to the steps of city hall, I have learned just how effective sustained, direct action can be in addressing the factors that create that desperation.

Congestion, rising costs of utilities, escalating homelessness, increased violence against marginalized communities, congestion, and transportation - these are the problems facing our community. That's why I want to be your representative on city council.

We start locally. We get money out of politics, institute election reform, treat housing as a human right, expand addiction services, create urban food security through permaculture, distribute services in Tacoma evenly, and preserve our public broadband. Tacoma can be the capital of green jobs.

Tacoma has an amazing history and a bright future should we choose it. We have a destiny of clean air and water, human dignity, and leadership in the region and beyond.  
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## Conor McCarthy

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**Elected Experience:** Tacoma City Council, Current Deputy Mayor

**Other Professional Experience:** Private Attorney, Real Estate, Estate Planning, Business, Municipal Law

**Education:** J.D., Seattle University Law; B. A., Western Washington; Stadium HS.

**Community Service:** Safe Streets Board; Workforce Central Board; Tacoma Community House Board; Rotary 8; Co-Chair Opioid Task Force; Volunteer Coach for Kids Baseball, Football & Basketball; State and Local Bar Association. *Endorsed by:* Firefighters, Police, Longshoremen, IBEW 483, TEA, Realtors, Congressmen Kilmer, Heck and Dicks, Lieutenant Governor Habib, Senator Conway, Representatives Jinkins, Fey, Kilduff, Leavitt, Kirby, Executive Dammeier, Mayor Woodards, and all current members of the Tacoma City Council, and more at [conormccarthy.org](http://conormccarthy.org)

**Statement:** I am running for re-election because I love my City and I want to continue making Tacoma a better place to raise a family, get an education, and build a career. I am proud of our accomplishments, but we have more work to do. It would be my honor to continue serving you as we build a stronger Tacoma.

As a councilmember, my job is to fight for you. I have fought to: restore the City's Police and Fire Departments by adding police officers and fire stations; invest in safe routes to Schools; fix our roads and infrastructure with more than 1600 blocks completed over the past few years; increase workforce development and training; and grow living-wage jobs.

I continue working to address homelessness and affordable housing with compassion and results-driven solutions; tackle the opioid crisis with increased prevention and treatment; improve the City's permit process; increase walkability and bikeability; take action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and protect Tacoma's air and water for all of our families.

I believe Tacoma's future is in our hands and that we must set the table for our children by working together in earnest to build a brighter destiny.

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## Denice Lingle

**Elected Experience:** Seeking first election as School Board Member of District 2

**Other Professional Experience:** Small Business Owner of Upholstery and Interior Design

**Education:** Yelm High School Graduate, Clover Park Technical Degree for Interior Design and Bates Technical College for Upholstery

**Community Service:** Served as a member of Citizens for Support of Yelm Schools; parent volunteer at Fort Stevens Elementary, Yelm Middle School, and Yelm High School; assisted at PTSO events; and volunteered at the Yelm Adult Community Center.

**Statement:** I truly believe all children deserve great schools and a safe environment to learn which make a strong community. My vision for every Yelm student is to have a bright future and to always believe that they are capable of anything. My goal as your elected school board member for District 2 will be to work as a team with my fellow board members, staff, parents, and students. As a Yelm resident for 35 years and small business owner for over 25, I am proud to be part of a community that takes great pride in their schools.

The military brought my family to Yelm in 1983, and I graduated from YHS in 1988. My husband and I have three children that have attended Yelm schools since elementary. I have served on Bond and Levy committees, volunteered in several of our schools in the district over the years, sat on an interview panel for an elementary principal position in our district, and participated in numerous PTSO activities. My family is forever grateful to be honored with Friends of the School Award.

I am asking for your vote in November 2019. Together we can build a future to be proud of.

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## Donna R. Edwards

**Elected Experience:** Currently Yelm Community Schools No. 2, Director, District No. 2

**Other Professional Experience:** Information Technology Manager for Washington State Patrol, Washington

State Department of Transportation, Washington Department of Labor & Industries; Equine Legal Solutions Legal Forms Manager

**Education:** University of Washington Project Management Program, Fort Steilacoom Community College (now Pierce College) IT Degree Program, Evergreen State College IT Program

**Community Service:** Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Light the Night, JDRF, Dollars for Scholars, Thurston County 4-H, Northwest Spay & Neuter Clinic, Equine Assisted Therapy, Thurston County Youth Soccer Coach, Breast Cancer Research, Ronald McDonald House, FFA District Competition Sales & Marketing Judge, National Fire Information Council

**Statement:** I am a lifelong resident of Yelm and 1974 valedictorian of YHS. Being on the School Board since 2000 has enabled me to give back to my community and our youth.

I worked hard to pass our bond to build two new schools and add advanced safety infrastructures in all of our schools. We joined the city in an initiative called *Graduate Yelm!* to promote graduation readiness for all of our students. We partnered with SPSCC and CWU to provide one of our state's most comprehensive *College in the High School* programs. We will be offering adult college courses at our YHS campus and an adult HS diploma program, *HS21+*. With *TOGETHER!* of Thurston County, we provide needed food, clothing, blankets and more to families of middle school students, plus mental and physical health needs for students.

I will ensure that every student has a plan, starting in kindergarten through their senior year, to graduation and beyond. Our students *must* have a path beyond graduation that fits their career choice – whether that is college, military, trade school, apprenticeship program, or any other career.

I will continue to help Yelm Community Schools be an exemplary district in all academic achievements.

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## Karen (Kay) Anderson

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**Elected Experience:** I was elected the President of the Yelm Prairie Special Needs PTA.

**Other Professional Experience:** My husband and I are founders of the Foundation for Courage which helps survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault along with being advocates for Special Needs Families.

**Education:** Master's Degree in Mental Health Counseling; Bachelor's Degree in Psychology

**Community Service:** Free counseling and support for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Survivors; Advocacy for Special Needs Families; Volunteer for Yelm Community Schools

**Statement:** Karen "Kay" Anderson "Bridging the Gap in Education" My passion in life has always been helping people. As a parent to 4 children, all of whom attend or have attended Yelm Community Schools, I know what it is like to be a part of this amazing community. For years I have been a strong advocate for kids and their parents, striving for the best in education for all children. In 2014, my husband and I created a support group for special need parents here in the Yelm Community to help bridge the gap in education and services because of our youngest who has Autism. I believe all children deserve an education, period. I believe children have a right to learn with their peers in the least restrictive environment. I believe in transparency and accountability of our educators. I believe school board members shouldn't be serving life terms, let's get some new ideas and perspectives on the school board.

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## **Espen L. Pyrtek**

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** I have over 10-years of combined state and federal government work experience. My work for the State

of Washington Department of Social and Health Services (eight years) and for the Social Security Administration (four years) involves evaluating complex state and federal laws and assisting low income, vulnerable populations. By participating on the School Board, I will facilitate communication between families, students, and educators.

**Education:** University of Washington (Tacoma, WA) Certificate in Public Policy December 2008 Central Washington University (Ellensburg, WA) Bachelor of Science in Sociology March 2005 Hanover High School (Hanover, NH) 1st interstate school district in United States June 1999

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** Children are the foundation of the Puyallup community. As a school board member, I will work endlessly for all students. I will join the board with three primary goals:

First, I will foster a professional and collegial relationship between teachers and the superintendent's office. Puyallup needs a future superintendent who recognizes that a strong relationship between teachers and the superintendent's office is the key to well-run schools. I would facilitate a positive relationship between the school board, all district employees, and the superintendent. Second, I will strive to increase the percentage of Puyallup students who attend college or vocational training. Post high school education or training will better prepare our students for the demands of the present economy. I will target would be first-generation college students. For more than a decade, my career has involved serving economically vulnerable populations. I know first-hand the difficulties of communities who lack post-high school opportunities. College or vocational training is a critical asset for those trying to move up the economic rungs. Lastly, I will implement more transparency regarding the financial decisions made by the district so that they are more visible to taxpayers.

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## **Amanda Cuthbert**

**Elected Experience:** Board Secretary for Washington Childcare Centers Association

**Other Professional Experience:** Center Director for an early learning center servicing 100 students.

**Education:** Early Childhood Education degree from Rasmussen College Current University of Washington student completing Early Childhood and Family Studies degree.

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** As an Early Childhood Educator and proud member of our community, I'm committed to making our schools exceptional. I'm running for school board because I believe in the value of public education. I want to work with teachers, parents and the community to ensure Puyallup School District students receive the world-class education they deserve. I promise that I will make every effort to prepare our students for the workforce of the ever-changing global economy and have the tools to be ready for college. My education, background and years of experience as an educator, and Board Member for Washington Childcare Centers Association have given me the tools to advocate on behalf of educators, students and families. As a successful business operator, I understand the realities of working with a budget, and will ensure that PSD spends our taxpayer money wisely. If elected, I'll diligently work toward bridging the gap between our beloved teachers and an administration that will give them the materials, funding and support that they need and deserve to give our students the best education possible.

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## Michael Keaton

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**Elected Experience:** Puyallup School Board since 2015

**Other Professional Experience:** Currently a senior manager in the defense industry, Michael served 20 years in the Air Force as an F-16

fighter pilot, where he also taught as an instructor and commanded a formal training school for aircrew.

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts from the University of Washington; Masters of Aerospace Sciences from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

**Community Service:** Michael has been a volunteer dad for the Edgerton Elementary “Watchdogs”; acted as legislative liaison for Puyallup School District PTA; motivated and taught kids as a coach for youth basketball and a Challenger League Baseball team for disabled children.

**Statement:** I’m very proud to have been a fighter pilot and have served our nation, but the most important thing I have ever done is raise good-hearted, thoughtful children. I believe our children are capable of exceeding even their own expectations if we provide them with the best teachers in a motivating and safe environment. I’m honored to serve on the board and bring a focus on fiscal management, improving safety and security, and lowering class sizes.

Through unprecedented management of the Elementary School Bond, we delivered on the 7 promised projects and were also able to fix all the junior high schools with every project under budget, saving the taxpayers over \$30m and eliminating the need for a junior high specific bond. Our 5-year plan is to lower property tax rates once the high schools are updated and secure.

Through focused partnership with local law enforcement, adding School Resource Officers, and strategic placement of cameras and securing entrances, our security is now the model. Other districts come to us to see how it’s done. I’m also proud to report dramatic improvement in our high school graduation rates! I would be honored to continue to serve this community.

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## Kristopher A. Kerns

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**Elected Experience:** This is my first time seeking an elected position.

**Other Professional Experience:** American Dental Education Association, American Dental Association, American Society of Microbiology, International and American Academy of Dental Research.

**Education:** Sherman/ Jefferson Elementary Schools, Mason Middle School, Wilson High School, Tacoma Community College AA, University of Puget Sound BS, Bellevue College Post Bac, A.T. Still University MPH-D, Midwestern University MA, University of Washington GC-MCH, University of Washington Ph.D.

**Community Service:** Current PTA Vice President at Pt. Defiance Elementary, South Sound Boys and Girls Clubs of America, Metro Parks, YMCA Morgan Family Branch, Coach for multiple Youth Sports.

**Statement:** I aim to advance the status quo of public education. I support teachers and everything they do in and outside the classroom and the role they play in shaping young minds in our community. I will fight for teacher's rights and support them in any way possible. I aim to recognize, retain, and recruit exceptional teachers to the district by refining the districts hiring and contract timelines.

I will do everything in my power to advocate and take action at the city, county, and state levels in order to prevent future layoffs while we wait for the state approved amendments to the McCleary Decision to take effect; which has inadvertently caused so much stress and dysfunction between our district and its leadership this past year. We cannot afford to lose any more teacher or administrative jobs, further increase classroom sizes, decrease support, or have uncertainty in our education system.

As Director, I'll provide full transparency, accountability, and work with anyone that is willing to pursue the advancement of education in our community. A vote for me is a vote for the future of education in our district and willingness to help ensure positive change from the top down.

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## John Marsden

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**Elected Experience:** I'm looking forward to hearing the parents concerns and listen to them and help in anyway I can to make Tacoma public schools.

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** Graduated from Lincoln high school

**Community Service:** I volunteer for communication for various runs through out tacoma. I also volunteer doing a once a month clean at one of the Tacoma elementary schools

**Statement:** I do my best to find solutions to a problem. I feel if you tell someone no than you are not doing your best to get stuff done. Let's not take no as the answer let's turn that no in a solution

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## Enrique Leon

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**Elected Experience:** Current Tacoma School Board Member

**Other Professional Experience:** Tacoma Family Medicine Residency Faculty; Clinical Instructor (University of Washington); Community Health

Care of Pierce County Staff Physician (Eastside Medical Center)

**Education:** James Madison University (B.S., Biology); Howard University College of Medicine (MD); Family Practice Residency (Swedish Medical Center, U. WA.); Faculty Development Fellowship (U. WA)

**Community Service:** Volunteer Physician, Lincoln and Stadium athletics; Advisory Board, U. WA -Tacoma Global Honors program; Big Brother Mentor; Volunteer Physician for Neighborhood Clinic (2012-2018); Pierce County Academy of Family Physicians, 2000- present, President 2014; coordinated seven medical relief trips to Peru (2005-present)

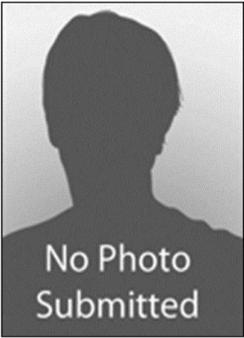
**Statement:** Public education has always been important to me; I've learned from a long line of educators including my wife, parents, in-laws, aunts, uncles, and many friends who are teachers and principals. Coming to the U.S. as a Peruvian-American 3rd grader, I learned English in a low-income public school and received a great education. My upbringing ignited my commitment to help children thrive - which led me to become a physician. I've worked at Community Health Care on Tacoma's Eastside (Salishan) for 12 years, and at MultiCare's Tacoma Family Medicine for 8 years - teaching young doctors and mentoring high school students.

Tacoma Public Schools will face many complex issues in the coming years: balancing innovation with proven educational methods; budgeting; wellness for both students and staff; and equity, amongst others. Good decisions on these issues require research, community input, objective analysis, and thoughtful reflection. I will use my personal and professional experience to advocate for each student and employee.

The foundation of successful communities is education and I'm excited to help keep our foundation strong. I would be honored to continue representing you on the Tacoma School Board.

*Endorsed by Tacoma's Teachers and many more!*

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## Karen Wilson

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**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

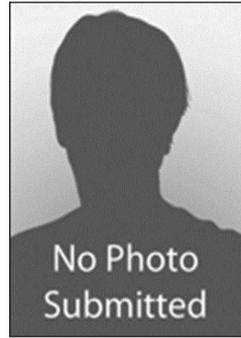
**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** No information submitted

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## Vicki Williams

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**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** No information submitted

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## Carrie Thibodeaux

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**Elected Experience:** Currently serving as Orting School Board District #3 Director, WIAA liaison.

**Other Professional Experience:** Customer Acquisition Manager, Smith Brothers Farms. National association executive leadership task force, mentor, committee chair. Past board member Puget Sound American Marketing Association South Sound Special Interest Group. Member Customer Experience Professionals & American Marketing Associations.

**Education:** BA Communication, BS Global Studies, Pacific Lutheran University. Certified Customer Experience Professional. Sprague Leadership Program Graduate.

**Community Service:** I've given time and support to Ducks Unlimited, Wounded Warrior Project, Fred Hutch & Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, American Cancer Society, Alzheimer's Foundation of America, Horizon Ridge HOA. Orting Lahar Drill volunteer.

**Statement:** As director, I bring a common-sense leadership style to the board. With professional strengths in communication, growth strategy, and long-range planning, I'm qualified to tackle inevitable opportunities and challenges we face as Orting evolves. I'm also well-versed in finding common ground in complicated situations and value fiscal responsibility.

I've demonstrated my strong commitment to Orting students, and believe in the powerful impact teachers, staff, administrators and families *collectively* have on student success. I advocate for transparency and candid discourse to drive district and school-level improvement, as well as Student Support Services and Career & Technical programs that support individual paths to graduation. Community values and engaging Orting citizens in schools is also very important to me.

Orting has been home for over 20 years. Our sons attend Orting Middle and High Schools. I'm passionate about their education and personally invested in our mission, each student ready for college, careers and life.

Progress takes thoughtful leadership and dedication. I'm all in. Orting students inspire me, and I will advocate for them by investing my time, talent and heart into their education. It will be my honor to continue serving as Board Director.

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## Jennifer E. Lloyd

**Elected Experience:** Currently serving as Orting School District Director, District No. 4

**Other Professional Experience:** Volunteer Director for Smize Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization that serves the city of Orting, 14+ years talent and freelance artist for Seattle Models Guild. Formally, Territory Sales and Marketing manager for Uoriki Co., Ltd.

**Education:** Bachelor of Science; Business Administration and Marketing, Corinthian College

**Community Service:** The Lloyd family has worked alongside many charities across Washington: Toy's for Tots, Hope Heart Institute, NW Harvest, Smize Foundation. For the past 30 years, Lloyd Enterprises Inc. has donated to Tacoma Boy's and Girl's Club, St. Francis House and Treehouse Kids.

**Statement:** The success of Orting School District is very important to me because I believe that education is more than just a fundamental right. Education paves the way to a successful and productive future for our children and the Orting community as a whole. I remain committed to my goal of fostering student achievement for *All* students to ensure that each student has equal and ample opportunities to reach his or her greatest potential.

I am the wife of Randy D. Lloyd, the mother of six children, a community advocate, volunteer and coach. Our family has owned and operated Lloyd Enterprises Inc. for 54 years and has proudly served the state of Washington. We built our home in Orting twenty-five years ago and have raised our children in the Orting School District. We are proud and grateful to be part of this community.

Serving on the school board has been incredibly rewarding because of the results in student growth and achievements, increased community engagement and implementing our strategic vision for all students ready for *College, Careers and Life*. It is my hope to continue to serve the Orting School District and respectfully ask for your vote.

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## Kathleen Madigan

**Elected Experience:** Worked as OEA President and officer and have bargaining experience. I have worked collaboratively with PSE. I know how the various levels of the district can work together. Proud parent of an OHS graduate married to an OHS alumni with 3 grandchildren in the Orting School District.

**Other Professional Experience:** Taught 33 years, 16 in Special Education the rest in second grade. Also taught Title 1 and Sped. Summer School. Since I have retired I substitute teach at the primary level. I still enjoy meeting new students and watching them grow.

**Education:** MA from Gonzaga and National Board Certified in 2006.

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** As an experienced educator and community member, I know how the levels of a school district can work together to meet our students' needs. I believe a school district must be a child and community-centered system. All fiscal decisions should be based on present and future needs of the children and the community. Ongoing long term planning is necessary to guide us in making decisions that are in the best interest of our children and growing community. To reach these goals, we need two-way communication between all levels of OSD and with the community, in regards to goal setting, planning, and implementation of effective programs. We can, then, take great pride in the excellent results of our work together.

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## Jenny McKinney

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**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** I believe our school board should be transparent and focused on the future of our district, students, and community.

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**Special Election - Proposition No. 1  
Excess Property Tax Levy for Maintenance and Operation Expenses**

See complete resolution text at  
PierceCountyElections.org

**Ballot Title**

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 3 (West Pierce Fire & Rescue) adopted Resolution No. 050719-005 concerning a proposition to finance maintenance and operation expenses. If approved, this proposition will authorize the District to levy the following additional taxes on all taxable property within the District:

<u>Levy Year</u>	<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Approximate Rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2019	2020	\$1.20	\$13,997,000
2020	2021	\$1.16	\$13,997,000
2021	2022	\$1.12	\$13,997,000
2022	2023	\$1.08	\$13,997,000

to be used for maintenance and operations to maintain the current level of fire and emergency medical services as provided in Resolution No. 050719-005. Should Proposition No. 1 be approved?

**Explanatory Statement**

Pierce County Fire District No. 3 (West Pierce Fire & Rescue) is requesting renewal of the maintenance and operation levy for a period of four years. This M&O levy has supplemented the fire district's regular and EMS levies for several decades. In 1939, the legislature established fire districts to serve rural areas, rather than urban areas such as Lakewood and University Place. The regular and EMS levies by themselves are insufficient to provide appropriate fire and emergency medical services to two highly urbanized cities with more than 100,000 citizens, a hospital, two colleges, a major state psychiatric hospital, a regional golf course, and shopping mall.

Annually, this levy will fund approximately 30-32% of the fire district's operating budget. It will cost approximately \$1.20 per thousand dollars of assessed value in 2020. If this M&O levy is approved by the voters, the law prohibits any further tax levies for maintenance and operational support of the fire district during this four-year period.

West Pierce Fire & Rescue has six fully staffed fire stations, providing fire suppression, fire prevention, code enforcement, emergency medical treatment and transport, and emergency rescue services throughout Lakewood and University Place.

**Statement For**

West Pierce Fire & Rescue needs your support. We are asking you to Vote Yes for a four-year maintenance and operations levy. This is not a new tax, but a continuation of funding voters have supported for more than 40 years.

There were 16,320 calls for service in 2018, a staggering 28% increase since 2011. Over 30% of operational funding depends on this levy. Failure of this vital levy will delay responses, slow service, and ultimately create poorer outcomes when emergencies happen. Continuing to support this levy will allow WPFR to maintain the current level of exceptional service the residents of Lakewood and University Place have come to expect.

This is a vital piece of the total funding necessary to sustain operations. The district does not receive any tax funding from the City of Lakewood, City of UP, Pierce County, or Washington State.

Vote Yes! Keep Help Coming.

**Committee Members:** Layne Bladow and Bart Dalton,  
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Citizens for West Pierce Fire & EMS

**Statement Against**

No statement was submitted against this issue.

**Special Election - Proposition No. 2  
Six-Year Levy Lid Lift**

See complete resolution text at  
PierceCountyElections.org

**Ballot Title**

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 3 (West Pierce Fire & Rescue) adopted Resolution No. 050719-004 concerning an increase in the District’s regular property tax levy. If approved, Proposition No. 2 will restore the District’s regular property tax levy for fire protection, fire suppression and other emergency services to one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation in 2019, set the limit factor at one hundred six percent (106%) for each of the five (5) succeeding years, and use the 2025 levy dollar amount for computing the limitation for subsequent levies. Should Proposition No. 2 be approved?

**Explanatory Statement**

West Pierce Fire & Rescue responded to the community’s requests for emergency medical care, fire suppression, rescue, and other emergencies, 16,320 times in 2018. This is a 28% increase in calls for service since 2011. However, while firefighters are responding to more calls, the statutorily-approved \$1.50 regular levy rate is projected to fall to \$1.29 in 2020. Passage of this measure would maintain the levy rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value for 2020 and provide for a limit factor of up to 6% in the succeeding five years. Revenue raised by this measure provides sustainable funding for fire suppression, fire prevention, rescue and emergency services.

A taxpayer with the average home value of \$303,160 would anticipate an increased tax of \$1.89 per month.

If approved, this measure authorizes West Pierce Fire & Rescue to maintain the levy rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value as approved by voters. It would allow the levy dollar amount to increase by up to 6% in the succeeding five years, but the rate cannot exceed \$1.50 even if properties increase in value. The dollar amount of the levy in 2025 would be used to calculate future levy increase limits.

**Statement For**

West Pierce Fire & Rescue needs your support. We are asking you to Vote Yes for a regular levy lid lift. This is not a new tax, but an authorization to maintain the district’s legally authorized levy rate. Serving a highly urbanized population generates a substantial demand for emergency services. 9-1-1 calls have increased 28% since 2011. Over 40% of operational funding depends on this levy. Failure of this vital proposition will limit the district’s funding and their ability to meet increasing demands for service. Supporting this levy lid lift will allow WPFER to maintain the current level of exceptional service the residents of Lakewood and University Place have come to expect.

This is a vital piece of the total funding necessary to sustain operations. The district does not receive tax funding from the City of Lakewood, City of UP, Pierce County, or Washington State.

Vote Yes! Keep Help Coming.

**Committee Members:** Layne Bladow and Bart Dalton,  
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Citizens for West Pierce Fire & EMS

**Statement Against**

No statement was submitted against this issue.

**Special Election - Proposition No. 3  
Six-Year Levy Lid Lift (EMS)**

See complete resolution text at  
PierceCountyElections.org

**Ballot Title**

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 3 (West Pierce Fire & Rescue) adopted Resolution No. 050719-003 concerning an increase in the District’s regular property tax levy. If approved, Proposition No. 3 will restore the District’s regular property tax levy for emergency medical services to fifty cents (\$0.50) per thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation in 2019, set the limit factor at one hundred six percent (106%) for each of the five (5) succeeding years, and use the 2025 levy dollar amount for computing the limitation for subsequent levies. Should Proposition No. 3 be approved?

**Explanatory Statement**

West Pierce Fire & Rescue responded to the community’s requests for emergency medical care, fire suppression, rescue, and other emergencies, 16,320 times in 2018. This is a 28% increase in calls for service since 2011. Of the total responses, 75% are for medical aid. However, while firefighters are responding to more calls, the statutorily-approved \$0.50 EMS levy rate is projected to fall to \$0.42 in 2020. This measure would maintain the levy rate of \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value for 2020 and provide for a limit factor of up to 6% in the succeeding five years. Revenue raised by this measure provides sustainable funding for emergency medical purposes.

A taxpayer with the average home value of \$303,160 would anticipate an increased tax of \$0.63 per month.

If approved, this measure authorizes West Pierce Fire & Rescue to maintain the levy rate of \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value as approved by voters. It would allow the levy dollar amount to increase by up to 6% in the succeeding five years, but the rate cannot exceed \$0.50 even if properties increase in value. The dollar amount of the levy in 2025 would be used to calculate future levy increase limits.

**Statement For**

West Pierce Fire & Rescue needs your support. We are asking you to Vote Yes for an EMS levy lid lift. This is not a new tax, but an authorization to maintain WPFR’s legally authorized levy rate. Since 2011, call volume has increased 28%, primarily from emergency medical calls. Emergency medical services are the most common reason someone calls 9-1-1. Failure of this vital proposition will limit the district’s funding and their ability to meet the increasing demand for medical services. Supporting this levy lid lift will allow WPFR to maintain the current level of exceptional medical services the residents of Lakewood and University Place have come to expect.

This is a vital piece of the total funding necessary to sustain operations. The district does not receive any tax funding from the City of Lakewood, City of UP, Pierce County, or Washington State.

Vote Yes! Keep Help Coming.

**Committee Members:** Layne Bladow and Bart Dalton,  
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Citizens for West Pierce Fire & EMS

**Statement Against**

No statement was submitted against this issue.

**Special Election - Proposition No. 1  
Permanent Regular Property Tax Levy (EMS)**

See complete resolution text at  
PierceCountyElections.org

**Ballot Title**

Will Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 16 (Key Peninsula Fire Department) be authorized to impose a PERMANENT regular property tax levy of fifty cents (\$0.50) or less per thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation for emergency medical services subject to an annual right of referendum?

**Explanatory Statement**

Last year, Key Peninsula Fire Department responded to 2,201 calls for service, of which 1,329 were for Emergency Medical Services and rescue-911 calls. Since 2017, the District's operating budget for emergency medical services has decreased by nearly \$63,000. This measure would restore those funding cuts and preserve current levels of service within the service area of the District.

The Emergency Medical Services levy would be used for Paramedics, personnel, training, equipment, supplies, and facilities. If the levy is approved, and if any resident or taxpayer of the District is transported by a District ambulance, and assessed charges, the non-insured portion of the charges would be forgiven. The measure would include citizens' right of referendum and require separate accounting of all expenditures, updated every two years and available to the public free of charge.

The Board of Fire Commissioners has passed a resolution requesting an election to authorize a permanent EMS levy property tax not to exceed fifty cents (50¢) per thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation for Emergency Medical Services. Passage of this measure shall maintain the current level of emergency medical services provided to District residents.

**Statement For**

Vote Yes, for your Key Peninsula Fire Department

Pierce County Fire District #16 is like many fire department service providers. The majority of emergency incidents are EMS related.

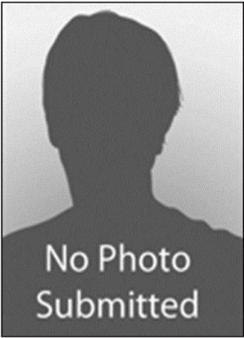
The tax rate of the existing levy is tied to the appraised property values at the time of the levy passage in 2015. As a consequence, as property values increase the revenue generated has decreased proportionally. The existing levy is due to expire in 2020. Should it not be replaced by a permanent and dedicated EMS Levy staff reduction will be a likely consequence. Having a permanent and dedicated EMS Levy will correct this problem and therefore will insure the maintenance of existing EMS services that we have come to rely on.

A "Yes" vote on the replacement Levy will assure the high quality of emergency care that you receive today will continue into the future.

**Committee Members:** Win Rumsey, wrumsey@centurytel.net, (253) 225-6999, Sami Jensen, and Gerald Marsh

**Statement Against**

No statement was submitted against this issue.



## John Keizer

**Elected Experience:** No elected experience

**Other Professional Experience:** Retired Ironworker-ten years with Local #14. Retired Firefighter-29 years with the Kent Fire Department/

Local #1747. My firefighting career included 14 years as a Station Officer and ten years as the EMS Training Officer. CPR/First Aid Instructor, on a contract basis, since 1994.

**Education:** Kahlotus High School - Spokane Falls Community College - Central Washington University (when it was still CWSC).

**Community Service:** CPR/First Aid training for several Boy Scout troops. Coached Little League baseball plus Pee Wee and Junior High football. "2010 Outstanding Community Service" award from the Kent Fire Department.

**Statement:** From organizing a youth flag-football league, to umpiring at the Washington State Little League All-Star tournament, community service has been important to me. Volunteering to provide ongoing CPR/First Aid training to the staff at the Pediatric Interim Care Center was especially gratifying. I would also be honored to serve as one of your Fire Commissioners.

When 911 is called, our citizens deserve a quick response by well trained and properly equipped providers. As an instructor at two Recruit Academies, at the Washington State Fire Training Academy in North Bend, and as an EMS Training Officer, I know the importance of initial and ongoing training to allow for the best service possible.

My wife and I have been married 50 years this June and managed to raise four sons - on a budget. I realize that fiscal responsibility is important. As your Fire Commissioner, I will work hard to insure that the resources allocated to the district are used wisely.

With your vote, we can help insure that our fire department provides the service and protection that our citizens deserve.

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## Jacob (Jake) Koukel

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Fire alarm and life safety inspector - 12 years. Fire Alarm and Life Safety Technician - 10 years. Fire Alarm and Life Safety Engineer - 5 years. Life

Safety Design Management - 5 years. Senior Engineering Technician - National Institute of Construction Engineering Technology. Member - American Society of Construction Engineering Technicians.

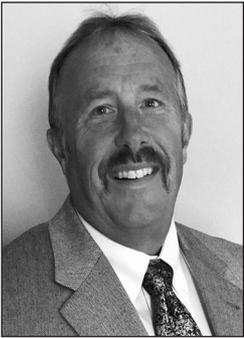
**Education:** High School Graduate. Electronics Technician - US Navy. Fire Protection Engineering - Eastern Kentucky University.

**Community Service:** Christmas in April and Habitat for Humanity (construction and labor volunteer for low-income families). Sound the Alarm (free installation of smoke alarms in Seattle).

**Statement:** After completing my military service, I entered the world of fire and life safety. It quickly became apparent that the well-being of the public was in my hands every day. As an inspector and technician, I used my technical skills to ensure that automated life safety systems were functioning properly at all times in our schools, health care facilities, and office buildings. As a fire and life safety engineer, I use the knowledge gained from my years of fieldwork and knowledge of national, state, and local codes and standards to ensure that both new and upgraded life safety systems provide the best protection and coverage possible in order to keep our people safe. In my professional life, I work hand-in-hand with fire prevention jurisdictions throughout the Puget Sound area and beyond.

Having found a home in Graham, I would like to bring my experience and dedication directly to our local fire departments and, by extension, directly to your home. We all have the right to keep our families safe.

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## Robert Homan

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**Elected Experience:** I've had the pleasure to serve as a School Board Member for the Eatonville School District for 14 years. I held the Legislative representative, Vice president and President positions on the Board. I served on the Weyerhaeuser

PTA for 5 years. Other positions; Board member and President of the Renton Firefighters Benevolent Association, Local 864 Battalion Chief trustee .Citizens for education President and Bond Co-chair.

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** The Lyon's Club, International Code Council, Eatonville Citizens for Education, Renton Firefighters Local 864, International Association of Firefighters, Renton Firefighters Benevolent Association, Washington State School Director's Association, Washington State Fire Chief's Association

**Statement:** have had the pleasure of serving the people of the Graham/Eatonville area, Federal Way area and the greater Renton area as an Elected official, volunteer, or Professional Firefighter for the last 35+ years. I would like to continue to serve in a different capacity now as a Fire Commissioner for Fire District 21. I believe my experience both on the School Board and my vast experience in the Fire Service that I can continue the great work that is being done in Fire District 21. As a Fire Service professional, I have held positions in every level of the organization Firefighter through Battalion Chief. I've served on Engines, Ladder trucks, worked as a Hazmat, Dive, Swiftwater and rope technician, Hazmat Lieutenant, and Planning Captain where I assisted in writing the Standards of Cover, strategic plan. I am familiar with City, Fire Authority, and District funding issues. My goal as Fire Commissioner is to look at the current budget, strategic plan, and listen to my constituents to ensure that all needs are being met. I will also look at all available funding options open to us so we can provide the best service we possibility can for our area.

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## Beth Glein

**Elected Experience:** New Candidate

**Other Professional Experience:** Beth spent her professional career in financial services. She is a senior leader, specializing in the development of high performing operations.

**Education:** Master of Business Administration from University of Massachusetts. Bachelor's degree from Gonzaga University.

**Community Service:** Reman Hall Juvenile Detention Center 2017-2018; St Nicholas School Auction; Gig Harbor Wine and Food Festival 2014-2015

**Statement:** Be brave. Get involved. Make a difference. My kids are 5 and 3. They inspire me to put action behind my words. They are the reason I decided step out and run for public office. I think we all enjoy our parks and see the importance of affordable programs, specifically oriented to our youth, as creating lasting value in our community. My children have participated in various PenMet programs and events. I love watching their happiness and development while participating in these programs.

I want to ensure the programs and events offered by PenMet continue to be well funded and attended for our future generations. I have incredible respect in all that PenMet has accomplished over these last 15 years. I want to represent the interest of the primary users and can bring first-hand expertise to help guide future decisions. I understand the importance of listening thoughtfully to all sides and making informed decisions. My background as a parent raising children in Gig Harbor and a professional in financial services and operations management affords a unique perspective as your next Parks Commissioner.

Be brave. Get involved. Make a difference. Questions? Find me at [beth.glein@gmail.com](mailto:beth.glein@gmail.com).

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## Steven M. Nielson

**Elected Experience:** Chairman, Parks and Civil Service Commission, City of Orting, 2013 - 2015

**Other Professional Experience:** 15 years as a Quality Engineer and Quality Systems Manager in advanced air and space composites; Lead Auditor for Quality Business Systems

**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Dept. of Aeronautics and Astronautics Engineering, University of Washington

**Community Service:** Education volunteer with Renton Skills Center, teaching and providing outreach and professional interaction for students with aspirations in engineering related fields; worksite coordinator for the American Heart Association; Coach with PenMet parks 2/3grade Little League

**Statement:** I believe our parks reflect the lifestyle we all seek on the peninsula. I also believe that as our community continues to grow we need to continue to ensure that our families have access to quality developed fields, open spaces, and sustained natural areas. PenMet Parks District has established a great foundation in richness and diversity of land use and I would like to be your advocate for continuing to build these traditions.

As your Parks Commissioner, I would prioritize natural space parks and multi-use areas, as well as supporting current efforts of maintenance and development of structured parks. I believe continued investment in natural spaces should be a key component in the Parks strategy, ensuring not just sustainment of these areas but quality access and interaction as well. Secondly, I would prioritize continued access to high quality sports programs at costs that are affordable. Finally, I will advocate for a continued culture of volunteerism and community ownership in the beautification and sustainment of our parks and natural spaces.

Investment in our parks is an investment in the quality of life for our families and communities. It begins with a vote, and I ask for yours.

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## Kurt Grimmer

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**Elected Experience:** Elected Commissioner PenMet Parks 2013 - Present

**Other Professional Experience:** 30 years of experience in the financial services industry. Bank Auditor;

Bank Controller; Real Estate Financing Management; Financial Advisor.

**Education:** University of Puget Sound, B.A. Accounting and Finance

**Community Service:** Gig Harbor Chamber of Commerce 2018 Citizen of the Year, Gig Harbor Rotary Club 2018 Star / Paul Harris Fellow Award, Peninsula Athletic Association Board Member and Recreation Supervisor, Harbor Soccer Club Coach, Gig Harbor Dragon Boat Team Founding Member, Gig Harbor Canoe / Kayak Racing Team Capital Campaign Committee, Gig Harbor Downtown Waterfront Alliance Board, St. Anthony's Patient Family Advisory Council, Tacoma Narrows Airport Advisory Commission

**Statement:** It has been an honor to serve these past six years as one of your Commissioners. Six years ago my goals were to enhance the recreation programs offered in the park district. I am happy to report that active and passive recreational programs increased for all ages. Youth baseball, basketball, and soccer were added. The Dragon Boat program evolved creating a fun, competitive year round activity for youth and adults.

Capital improvements made gains as well. Artificial turf was installed in the baseball diamonds at Sehmel Homestead Park, a new restroom was constructed near the playground and a maintenance barn was built to store valuable park equipment. Also, the Rosedale Hall was added to facilities available for use and a second dog park, Tubby's Trail, was installed near the Narrows Bridge.

Going forward, my goals have not changed. There is more that the PenMet Parks Board and I can do to augment recreation in the district. We need to expand programs and facility use for the district's senior programs that are in demand. Through the creative efforts of PenMet's talented employees these goals can be met. I would be honored to be re-elected as your PenMet Parks Commissioner.

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## Dawn Townsend

**Elected Experience:** I am running for my first public elected office. I have held positions with the PTA in Kitsap County, along with being appointed on committees with the Washington State PTA and I have been Treasurer for the VPO at Harbor Ridge Middle School.

**Other Professional Experience:** I have 20+ years of working in the dental field and have been a Nationally Registered EMT.

**Education:** I have an EMT certificate from Tacoma Community College and a Registered Dental Assistant certificate from Eaton Technical.

**Community Service:** I will continue providing countless hours of community service demonstrating my devotion for protecting and preserving our community.

**Statement:** I would be honored to serve as your Peninsula Metropolitan Park District Commissioner Position 4. This is an important position and I promise to make the choices that best serve our community. I will listen to your needs and continue to improve our parks. I believe the Girl Scout Law best sums up my statement, "I will do my best to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, responsible for what I say and do, and to respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place ... " Thank you for considering me for your Peninsula Metropolitan Park District Commissioner Position 4. Sincerely, Dawn Townsend

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## William C. (Bill) Sehmel

**Elected Experience:** No public offices ever held. ASB President, HOA President (48 unit ski condo complex).

**Other Professional Experience:** 20+ years IT, with over 10+ years in leadership & management positions at IBM Cloud managing enterprise & federal cloud environments.

**Education:** Henderson Bay HS Alumni -ASB President 2001, GED, Microsoft & Cloudera IT certificates.

**Community Service:** Website creator for original Friends of Homestead Park site (2001), Envirocorp Trail volunteer (2004 - 2006), Envirocorp Adopt-a-Road participant 2009 -2012

**Statement:** Proud lifelong citizen of the Gig Harbor area. 5th generation resident to live on my family's homestead before it became a park. I played baseball, soccer & basketball with PAA; junior golf at GHCC; local science fair participant; and enjoyed playing on our beaches growing up.

As HOA President I negotiated the purchase of a neighboring PUD protecting our condo's open space & view from larger development company.

If elected I will be a motivated and driven voice for those wanting improved district communication, expanded programs for seniors, fielded sports, bicycle areas, water access, events, and performing arts. Motivated to improve park trash recycling program. I believe we could benefit being a long term partner for a local Senior Center & networking with other park districts in the region.

I will ensure the district is taking care of the facilities we have and support logical financially responsible plans for future growth for citizens with all abilities, as PenMet has a fiduciary responsibility to use your tax dollars appropriately & accountable. I would love the opportunity to give back to this loyal community that has taught and given me so much and with your vote we could make it happen!

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## Laurel Kingsbury

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**Elected Experience:** First time candidate

**Other Professional Experience:** 8 plus years of teaching including public, private, and with the Washington State Legislature's Page School

Program; Government Relations Coordinator with the U.S. Olympic Committee; Staffer with U.S. Congressman

**Education:** Master's of Education, Pacific Lutheran University (2004); B.A. Political Science, Western Washington University (1997)

**Community Service:** Treasurer and Member of the Board for Gig Harbor Cooperative Preschool; Voyager Elementary classroom volunteer; CASA volunteer (Court Appointed Special Advocate for foster kids); 6th Grade Girls Soccer Coach

**Statement:** When my family moved back to Gig Harbor nearly eight years ago, I was overjoyed to find we lived near vast hiking trails that lead to a beautiful PenMet Park. It only took one rejuvenating hike before I knew I was in my element, my home, my community. Raising our kids here not only meant that they would be immersed and connected to nature, but as a family, we would be the 5th generation rooted in the Gig Harbor community.

As commissioner my goals are to collaborate with board members/staff to continue the growth and development of quality projects that we know and expect from PenMet Parks. I will uphold fiscal consciousness regarding land acquisitions, establish and maintain community partnerships, provide a variety of diverse recreational opportunities, and never overlook the responsibility of managing tax dollars.

We are blessed beyond measure to live in a community that offers a rich and meaningful quality of life. I believe PenMet Parks is a significant component to this. The abundance of parks and recreational activities available have only enriched our community physically, socially, and economically. I am excited to actively participate in the development, growth and preservation of our parks.

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