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Q1

About Candidates

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Q2

Q1. Please tell us about your personal experiences with nonprofits. These may include experiences with any organizations that have served you and/or fellow residents of your community, or specific nonprofits for which you've served as a board member, staff person, volunteer, or donor. How do these experiences shape your policy positions? (Limit: 300 words)

We have many great nonprofit organizations in Richmond and Moore counties. One group of note that I've volunteered with is Place of Grace in Rockingham, NC, a Christ-centered organization with a vision for all people to come to know God and by His Son, Jesus Christ find freedom, so that they can begin to discover purpose and then make a difference by declaring God's love to our community and taking it to the whole world. These experiences have provided me with great insight into the challenges our nonprofits face, from recruitment and retention of staff/volunteers to fundraising issues. That's why it is so important to me that we have a state tax code that works to support nonprofits and their mission.

Q3

Q2. If elected, what would be your top three policy priorities? (Limit: 250 words)

My top 3 policy priorities for NC nonprofits:

- 1. Legislation to create simple, no-fee annual reports for nonprofits and to provide adequate funding for regulation of nonprofits by the NC Secretary of State.
- 2. Legislation to enable nonprofits to provide affordable and high-quality benefits for their employees and to reduce unnecessary employment law red tape or expenses for nonprofits.
- 3. Support polices to ensure that state agencies (a) avoid delays in paying nonprofits that deliver services; and (b) inform them in advance if a payment will be late, along with polices that address systemic problems with nonprofit-government contracting, including late contracting, late payments, and underpayment for indirect costs. This may come in the form of OSBM Uniform Guidance in state and local contracts.

Q4

The Center advocates on public policy issues that affect North Carolina's nonprofit sector and works with the NC General Assembly and North Carolina's members of Congress to develop laws and policies that save nonprofits time and money, help nonprofits operate more effectively, and preserve the public's trust in North Carolina's nonprofit sector. Our policy agenda includes: Ensuring that all 501(c)(3) nonprofits are fully exempt from federal, state, and local taxes. Promoting new and expanded tax deductions and credits that encourage individuals and businesses to give generously to support their communities through the work of charitable nonprofits. Supporting policy solutions that will address the nonprofit workforce shortage, including increased funding to support jobs in the nonprofit sector and investment in accessible and affordable child care. Seeking solutions to long-standing challenges that nonprofits face when they provide public services through government grants and contracts, including late contracts, late payments, overly complicated application and reporting requirements, and underpayment for indirect costs. Promoting laws that will help nonprofits and businesses alike to provide affordable and high-quality health care and other benefits to their employees.Q3. If elected, which of these policy goals would you support most enthusiastically, and why? (Limit: 250 words)

I would support solutions to the long-standing challenges that nonprofits face when they provide public services through government grants and contracts, including late contracts, late payments, overly complicated application and reporting requirements, and underpayment for indirect costs. Nonprofits do excellent work in North Carolina, and I commit to doing everything I can to support these important policy priorities.