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About Candidates

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Party Affiliation Republican

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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 numerous nonprofits in Brunswick and New Hanover counties that all to great work for the community. At 18 years old, I joined the Southport Volunteer Fire Department, which instilled in me a strong will to serve the public. I've also served as a Little League Baseball Coach for several years. One organization I'm particularly proud to have volunteered with is the Brunswick County chapter of Communities in Schools, and organization with a mission to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life. These experiences have inspired me to serve as an elected representative today, where I can advocate to help these organizations and others achieve their policy and grant needs.

Q3

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

My top 3 policy priorities for nonprofits going into next Session:

- 1. Legislation 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, as well as supporting polices that address systemic problems with nonprofit-government contracting, including late contracting, late payments, and underpayment for indirect costs.
- 2. I would also support legislation to protect nonprofit independence, opposing policies that limit nonprofits' governance as independent, nongovernmental corporations with control over their own organizational policies and practices.
- 3. I will support incentives for charitable giving, such as universal, non-itemizer tax deductions or credits for charitable contributions that incentivize all North Carolinians to give generously to the work of charitable nonprofits. I would oppose limits on the charitable deduction on state income taxes.

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 promote 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. Nonprofits are the glue that hold our state together, the gap between government services and the needs of the people. I will do everything in my power to support nonprofits in our shared priorities.