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Q1 About Candidates

Candidate Name	MaryAnn E. Black
District	House District 29, Durham
Party Affiliation	Democrat
Campaign Website	Maryannblack.com

Q2 What has been your personal experience with nonprofits as a board member, employee, volunteer, or donor? How do these experiences shape your policy positions? (Limit: 300 words)

I have served on the board of many nonprofits including the YWCA, YMCA, United Way, Carolina Theatre, The Arts Council Day Care Council ,etc. Each year, I donate to many nonprofits from my personal finance, my donor advise fund at the TCF and the work I do at Duke Health. I strongly believe nonprofits help government do its work and should have the support of government, businesses and individuals. The goal should be to help people become independent and improve their quality of life.

Q3 If elected, what would be your top three policy priorities? (Limit: 250 words)

My goal is to serve the people of my District and N.C. by writing and supporting policies that help to improve the lives of the people. My three priorities:

1. Health and Human Service which include, physical and mental health. I will continue to fight to improve get additional funding to support the health of our people.
 2. Early Childhood Education to higher education. We must education our people so they are prepared to take the jobs that are being developed in N.C. or coming to N.C.
 3. The environment is important for our health and must be protected. Businesses can establish policies that protect our resources/environment and still make a profit. They can work together to have a great N.C. Morwhere people are healthy and jobs are enjoyable and paying good wages.
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Four Questions for Candidates for Office in 2018

Q4 What is your position on these tax issues that affect charitable nonprofits?

Preserving or expanding tax exemption for charitable nonprofits

5 (strongly support)

Encouraging individuals and businesses to give generously to nonprofits serving their communities

5 (strongly support)

Please add any comments about tax policies that affect nonprofits. (Limit: 250 words):

Government can't address all of the social issues we face. Most people want to support nonprofits through their time, talents and finance. Some people will continue to donate money to nonprofits even if there is not a tax break. However, receiving a tax break may help people give more money. I believe in the work of nonprofits and I support nonprofits in the community.

Q5 What policies would you propose to promote continued job growth for private employers, including both nonprofit and for-profit business employers? (Limit: 250 words)

I am interested in gathering data to assist me in knowing what policies are needed before I can say what I will propose.
