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## Q1 About Candidates

Candidate Name	<b>Michael Nelson</b>
District	<b>House 35</b>
Party Affiliation	<b>Libertarian</b>
Campaign Website	<b><a href="http://www.nelsonfornc.org">www.nelsonfornc.org</a></b>

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**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)

For over five years I was a board member / officer of a community theatre in downtown Raleigh. My experience through this as well as both my personal beliefs and my stance with the Libertarian party is that nonprofits are essential and most desired in providing needed services to the community. They are more efficient, economical, and provide the most resources directly to the communities that need them most without government intervention.

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

My top three policy priorities are expanding and supporting school choice which incorporates many nonprofit educational facilities, expanding health care options and access to those most in need, and reducing or elimination licensing requirements and restrictions which force entities such as nonprofits to either spend funds needlessly or to not be able to service an area.

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**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):

As an advocate for self-government nonprofits are an ideal system of both providing needed services and employment for our communities. They should both not be taxed and donations and charitable contributions should not as well as that is individuals donating both their time and money directly to their community.

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## Four Questions for Candidates for Office in 2018

**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)

Elimination of zoning and licensing restrictions to expand both where work can be performed and allowing entry level into these occupations without having to jump through a tremendous amount of legal red tape costing time and money that these people and businesses may not have.

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