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## Q1 About Candidates

Candidate Name	<b>Dennis Riddell</b>
District	<b>NC House District 64</b>
Party Affiliation	<b>Republican</b>
Campaign Website	<b><a href="http://www.riddell4nchouse64.com">www.riddell4nchouse64.com</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)

I am currently a board member for the Piedmont Rescue Mission, Inc. I also volunteer several times a year at the Mission. I am a past Deacon, Treasurer, and Sunday School Teacher of churches I have belonged to. I have also volunteered in various other community projects. My affiliation with sundry non-profits has given me an appreciation of the quiet work being done within our community by thousands of people who volunteer their time, money and talents to help others. It is the working out of the timeless words of Jesus to "do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

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

Passage of my Extend Statute of Limitations/Child Sexual Abuse (HB585) passed the House but died in the Senate. I am not giving up on this issue.  
Continue with the work to accomplish a recodification of our entire criminal code in the state of North Carolina - this was begun this past year with the passage of my bill HB379 Recodification Working Group. This will be a lengthy endeavor that will span more than one session of the NCGA  
Continue my work on sensible Regulatory Reform here in NC. For example we did pass some legislation that was helpful to every non-profit in the state last year.

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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):

My experience with non-profits, truly non-profits, is that they provide more useful service and direct help within our communities by their dedicated work than could ever be offset by any perceived increase in revenue to be gained by taxing them. They provide an important outlet for people of like minds to gather around a charitable cause of shared values and donate their time, talents and money. That is a binding force of kindness and love that benefits our communities.

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### 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 would continue my work in two principal areas. 1. Regulatory Reform - do we place an unnecessary compliance burden on charitable and for profit enterprises? If so, how can we safely reduce those requirements. 2. Is our existing tax structure simple and easy to comply with, is it without bias and fairly implemented? If not those are areas I would work on to continue the amazing job growth we have witness here in NC over the past 5-6 years.