

# 2020 Endorsement Questionnaire South County

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APA Democratic Caucus of Alameda County



**PLEASE COMPLETE AND SUBMIT BY SEPT. 9, midnight.** Please take time to review the questions before filling in the boxes since you cannot save the responses for later completion. Thank you for your interest in being considered for an endorsement by the Asian Pacific American Democratic Caucus of Alameda County. Please answer each question in 250 words or less. Be honest and direct. Please note: your questionnaire will be posted on our website for Caucus members and the public to review.

Personal Information

Candidate Name \*

Tom Ferreira

City and zip code of residence.

94544

What is your campaign website address?

Workingforthepeople.org

What is your campaign email address?

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What is the office that you are seeking? \*

- City of San Leandro City Council
- City of San Leandro School Board
- City of Hayward City Council
- City of Hayward, Unified School District Trustee
- City of Fremont, Mayor
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 1
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 5
- City of Fremont, City Council, Dist. 6
- City of Fremont, Unified School District, Dist. 1
- City of Fremont, Unified School District, Dist. 4
- City of Fremont, Unified School District, Dist. 5
- City of Union City, Mayor
- City of Union City, City Council
- New Haven School Trustee, Area 1
- New Haven School Trustee, Area 2
- New Haven School Trustee, Area 3
- City of Newark, Mayor
- City of Newark, City Council
- City of Newark, School Board
- City of Newark, School Board, Short term
- Eden Healthcare District
- Washington Hospital Healthcare District
- Oro Loma Sanitarv District

Ohlone Community College

Alameda County Water District

AD 20, State Assembly Representative

AD 25, State Assembly Representative

Ohlone Community College, Area 2

Other: .....

Are you the incumbent?

Yes

No

Are you a registered Democrat? The APA Democratic Caucus can only endorse registered Democrats

Yes

No

How long have you been a registered Democrat? If less than 5 years, please explain your reason for becoming a Democrat.

30 years .....

Are you an APA Caucus member?

Yes

No

Why are you seeking the Caucus's endorsement?

Caucus is a community leader in Alameda Country.

List ONLY the top 5 endorsements that you have received. (Please reference your website if you want to alert us to more).

SEIU-UHW  
MARK WILLIAMS AC TRANSIT BOARD MEMBER  
ECS LOCAL 20

If we endorse you, will you use our name in your campaign materials?

Yes

No

Maybe

How long have you lived in the district which you are seeking to represent?

25 yeras

Educational background: What schools have you attended, date graduated, major and degree(s) earned.

Rocklin College 1994 EMT License  
Chabot College. 1996-1999 Health Sciences  
Bay Area Medical Academy San Francisco 2014 Phlebotomy license

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Employment: List the last three (3) paid positions, indicating name of employer, job title, and length of employment.

Kaiser South San Francisco/Dublin 4.5 years current  
Sutter Health Summit Hospital Oakland 5.5 years current  
American Medical Response/ Paramedics Plus Alameda County 911 ambulance service 22year Retired  
2018

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What are the names of any community or nonprofit organizations with which you have been an active volunteer in the past 3-5 years.

Boy Scouts of America First aid traing  
South Hayward Parish making meals/ passing out food  
Emergency volunteer Center for the city of Hayward. Passing out food

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## CANDIDATE QUESTIONS

1. What differentiates you from your opponents for the elected office that you are seeking?

Age and life experience and standing by my convictions.

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2. Describe one issue for the district you want to represent for which you have provided leadership and about which you are passionate.

Bringing in Fire/ambulance transport for our Hayward residents.

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3. What percentage of the district you [or intend to] represent are of APA heritage?

23%

4. Please identify the three largest APA ethnicities in your district.

A)Filipino B) Chinese C) Indian

5. Please identify the most at-risk APA community in your district and explain why.

Having access to affordable healthcare.

Most of our residents are trying to maintain their monthly rent obligations which means little left for healthcare.

6. List the three top concerns of members of the APAs in your district.

A) Healthcare

B) Public Safety

C) Affordable Housing

7. During the COVID-19 pandemic, reports of anti-Asian verbal and physical attacks have arisen. If you are the incumbent, how have you addressed this? If you are a candidate how will you address this?

No room for racism or racial attacks in our city. I will work with our police chief to hire an even more diverse police force in the future.

8. Do you believe that Asian and Pacific Americans are adequately represented in local government? What can elected officials do to improve participation?

I do. Include groups such as yours to the discussion.

9. Please identify all Asian Pacific American candidates whom you have personally endorsed over the past 5 years including this election cycle. If there are none, please explain.

N/A Never was in politics before.  
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10. If you were faced with a situation that involved an Asian Pacific American community, would you seek consultation with our Caucus as a resource?

Yes

No

Thank you for completing our questionnaire.

Please submit your responses by Sept. 9, 2020 midnight. Our South County Endorsement Meeting is scheduled for Sat., Sept. 20 from 1 to 3 pm on Zoom. Only those candidates submitting the questionnaire on time will be on our endorsement ballot. No changes to your responses can be made after it is submitted.

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