

2020 Endorsement Questionnaire East 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 *

Sri Muppidi

City and zip code of residence.

94568

What is your campaign website address?

srinuppidi.com

What is your campaign email address?

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What is the office that you are seeking? *

- City of Dublin Mayor
- City of Dublin City Council
- City of Dublin, Unified School District Trustee, Area 1
- City of Dublin, Unified School District Trustee, Area 4
- City of Livermore, Mayor
- City of Livermore, City Council, Dist. 3
- City of Livermore, Unified School District
- City of Pleasanton, Mayor
- City of Pleasanton, City Council
- City of Pleasanton, Unified School District Trustee
- AC Board of Supervisors, District 1
- AD 16, State Assembly Representative
- 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.

I've been a registered Democrat since age 18.

Are you an APA Caucus member?

Yes

No

Why are you seeking the Caucus's endorsement?

I'm seeking the Caucus's endorsement because I believe that our city's government should represent the diversity of our town. Dublin is more 35% Asian, and we need representative voices in government. I stand with the values of the API Caucus and believe that more API voices need to be heard in government.

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

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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?

I grew up in the Tri-Valley, having lived here for more than 15 years.

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

BA in Economics from Stanford University (2013-2017)
MS in Management Science and Engineering from Stanford (2017-2019)

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

VC at Sierra Ventures, since March 2020-Present
Journalist at The Economist August 2019-December 2019
Tech Policy Researcher at Stanford University Sept 2018-August 2019

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

Founder of The Loop, a non profit to increase the number of female founders launching businesses. Was volunteer with Hope House, a halfway house for women. Volunteered on Democrat campaigns to elect Hilary Clinton, Jerry McNerney

CANDIDATE QUESTIONS

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

I am the only candidate thinking about Dublin's long-term future. As someone who grew up in this community, I've seen the city change so much in the last 2 decades. The median house price is \$1m, wildfires are ravaging in our backyards, and small businesses are struggling to make ends meet.

The city needs new ideas to address these challenges. My campaign is funded by individual donors, and I aim to represent everyday people like me. I have strong policy and economic development experience that makes me a unique candidate for Dublin. I worked in policy at the US Department of State and worked in economic development at the US Federal Reserve and World Bank. I now work in venture capital and have the financial acumen to evaluate development projects and infrastructure investments.

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

I want to help our local business community. Businesses are struggling as a result of COVID-19, and people have been laid off.

I have strong business acumen and can support businesses adapt and recover from the pandemic. I have strong financial skills through my work at the Federal Reserve and as a venture capitalist at Sierra Ventures. I also founded the non-profit organization The Loop, where I team startup fundamentals and design thinking to entrepreneurs and help them launch businesses. I am qualified to help the Dublin business community.

I aim to implement user-friendly design for permits and licenses to attract and retain businesses, seek out appropriate corporate partnerships, and help boost local employment with workforce development programs and entrepreneurship bootcamps. I also plan to efficiently execute on the community's plan to bring a Town Square to Dublin's downtown and continue to foster Dublin's strong sense of community through my work. I also launched the Buy Dublin campaign so residents can be up to date with current information and support local businesses.

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

~35%

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

Chinese, Asian Indian, Filipino

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

Bangladeshi community because it's a small community within Dublin

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

Schools and overcrowding, lack of resources in schools

Traffic on the Dublin Blvd between East Dublin & West Dublin

Business community adapting to COVID-19, since a number of APA own local businesses

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?

I will make public statements condemning those types of statements, and launch a Dublin social media campaign where residents can submit their pictures and stories to highlight the diversity of our community. If there are physical attacks that continue, these will be reported to the police and proper action should be taken.

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

No, there needs to be more APA in office, especially APA women. There can be more GOTV campaigns in different languages. Campaign materials could be translated. Work with local communities to highlight the importance of voting and elections

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.

This my first time running for office and I have not endorsed anyone before.

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 East County Endorsement Meeting is scheduled for Thu., Sept. 17 beginning at 6:30 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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