

National Lavender Green Caucus
Green Candidate Questionnaire

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Please answer the following questions as completely as possible and to the best of your knowledge. Completed questionnaire may be returned to the NLGC Secretary at: time2@sbcglobal.net . Thank you for considering a National Lavender Green Caucus endorsement.

1 Do you support the Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity plank of the national Green Party Platform <http://www.gp.org/platform/2004/socjustice.html#999077> ? [YES](#).

2 GLBT people in the U.S. are twice as likely to not have healthcare coverage as the rest of the U.S. population. What will your office do to help ameliorate this disparity in coverage while simultaneously working towards universal single payer healthcare? [Work to reverse Prop 102 in AZ.](#)

3 What are the biggest issues facing women and girls within the LGBT community? How would you address gender disparity in political representation, funding priorities, healthcare, job discrimination, issues relating to parenting, and so forth? [Public awareness and acceptance. Work to be sure that all people are treated equally.](#)

4 Do you support the inclusion of transgender people in all federal non-discrimination and hate crime legislation? [YES](#)

5 What is your position regarding the inclusion of the trans community in the federal Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) ? [They need to be included.](#)

6 What would you do about the high poverty and low employment rates for transgender persons? [Work for non-discriminatory hiring policies.](#)

7 Would you install a written policy in your office regarding sexual-orientation and gender-identity discrimination? [YES](#)

8 Do you support an age-appropriate public school curriculum that teaches awareness and sensitivity regarding sexual orientation and gender identity? [YES](#)

9 What steps would you take to curb the discrimination and violence directed at LGBT youth in public schools. [Encourage programs that bring children together in discussion groups to experience how we are alike and how diversity supports a vibrant and inclusive community.](#)

10 Would you support or oppose using the sexual orientation and/or gender identity/expression of caretaking adults as a factor in determining the best placement for a child for child custody, foster parenting, or adoption? [Oppose](#)

11 Do you support needle exchange programs to reduce transmission of HIV? **YES**

12 Would you support an expansion of Federal funding for HIV and AIDS programs, including HIV/STD prevention education in our public schools? **YES**

13 The impact of the domestic HIV/AIDS epidemic is hardest on racial minorities. How do you propose addressing those populations? **Education in schools Condom availability**

14 Have you started or would you start sensitivity training for your staff members regarding LGBT issues? **YES**

15 Would you support mandatory diversity training for public employees that includes LGBT issues? **YES**

16 Do you support marriage equality for LGBT people? **YES**

17 If your jurisdiction does not allow same sex marriage, do you support the inclusion of domestic partner benefits in all employee contracts? **YES**

18 Would you support Congressional repeals of the Defense Of Marriage Act (DOMA) and the military's Don't Ask, Don't Tell (DADT) policies? **YES**

19 Do you support "charitable choice" or "faith based" programs that allow public dollars to be used to subsidize social services offered by religious organizations that are allowed to disregard civil rights laws in hiring and public services? **NO**

20 What are the biggest issues facing queers of color? **acceptance, protection**

21 What are the biggest issues facing LGBT people with disabilities? **acceptance, protection**

22 Please describe (briefly) what your top goals will be if elected to this office. **Increase funding for public education, election reform, a medicare for all type of health care, push for comprehensive immigration reform**

23 In the past, what LGBT related events, activities, or organizations have you participated in or been a member of or are currently a member of? **I was at a march in Phoenix after Prop 102 and Prop 8 were passed. I have been at a Green Party of Maricopa County booth at the Rainbow Festival set up to gain ballot access and to register voters.**

24 As a candidate how will you get LGBT voters to vote for Green Party candidates? **Post on my candidate website and campaign material my willingness to work equality for everyone.**

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