

# San Diego Democratic Socialists of America

## Electoral Working Group Nov. 6, 2018 Election Recommendations

Below are the recommendations for the 2018 general election. Note that these are **recommendations** and not formal Chapter **endorsements**. Candidates highlighted in **blue** are considered priority races where members should contribute their time/money if able. Note, not all races are covered. Some have been omitted due to lack of member expertise on the race or there just being no acceptable candidates. In a few cases, we present alternatives and leave it to the reader to decide how to vote. **Not authorized by any candidate or candidate's committee**

### Federal Offices

**U.S. Senate:** Kevin De Leon

**U.S. Representative**

**District 49 To Flip the 49<sup>th</sup>** vote for the Democrat.

**District 50:** Ammar Campa-Najjar: Ammar is the only progressive Congressional candidate running in SD County.

**Districts 51, 52, 53:** These districts are reasonably safe Democratic seats with no progressive candidates running.

### State Offices

**Governor:** Gavin Newsom

**Lt. Governor:** No recommendation

**Attorney General:** Xavier Becerra

**Controller:** Betty T. Yee

**Treasurer:** Fiona Ma

**Secretary of State:** Alex Padilla

**Insurance Commissioner:** **Ricardo Lara. Ricardo was a cosponsor of SB 562 for Single Payer in California**

**Senate District 36:** **Marggie Castellano:** Marggie is a single payer advocate running in a red district

**Senate District 38:** Jeff Griffith

**Assembly District 71:** **James Elia:** James is a member of the Chaldean community which is substantial in the district.

**Assembly District 75:** Alan L. Geraci

**Assembly District 76:** **Elizabeth Warren**

**Assembly District 77:** Sunday Gover

**Assembly District 78:** Todd Gloria

**Assembly District 79:** Shirley Weber. Good on police reform but is strongly pro-charter schools.

**Assembly District 80:** Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher

**Superintendent of Public Instruction:** Tony Thurmond

### Judicial Offices

**San Diego Superior Court Office 37:** **Matt Brower.** His opponent is the awful Gary Kreep.

### San Diego County Offices

**Board of Supervisors**

**District 4:** Nathan Fletcher: Nathan is a former conservative Republican. He has moved left since marrying State Assembly member Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher.

**District 5:** Michelle Gomez

### City Offices

**Carlsbad Mayor:** Cori Schumacher

**City Council District 1:** Linda Breen

**City Council District 3:** Priya Bhat Patel

**Chula Vista Mayor:** Mary Salas

**City Attorney:** Andrew Deddeh

**City Council District 1:** Mark Bartlett

**City Council District 2:** Jill Galvez

**Coronado City Council:** Mary Sikes

**Del Mar City Council:** Dwight Worden

**Encinitas Mayor:** Catherine Blakespear

**Escondido Mayor:** Paul "Mac" McNamara

**City Council District 1:** Consuelo Martinez

**City Council District 2:** Vanessa Valenzuela

**Imperial Beach Mayor:** Serge Dedina

**City Council:** Ed Spriggs, Paloma Aguirre

**La Mesa City Council:** **Dr. Akilah Weber, Dave Myers**

**Lemon Grove City Council:** Jennifer Mendoza

**National City Mayor:** Alejandra Sotelo-Solis

**City Council:** Mona Rios, Jose Rodriguez

**Oceanside City Treasurer:** Victor Roy

**City Council District 1:** Chuck Lowery or Esther Sanchez.

**City Council District 2:** **Larry Kornit**

**Poway Mayor:** Emily Johnson

**City Council District 1:** Peter Neild

**At-Large:** Torrey Powers

**San Diego City Council**

**District 2:** Jennifer H. Campbell, MD.

The incumbent, Lori Zapf, is awful

**District 4:** **Monica Montgomery. is the only candidate endorsed by DSA-SD for this election.**

**District 6:** Tommy Hough

**District 8:** **Antonio Martinez**

**San Marcos Mayor:** Chris Orlando

**City Council District 2:** Randy Walton

**Santee City Council**

**District 1:** Evelyn Andrade-Heymsfield

**District 2:** Rudy Reyes

**District 3:** Lynda Marrokal

**Solana Beach City Council**

Kristi Becker, Kelly Harless, and Craig Nelson.

**Vista City Council**

**District 1:** Corinna Contreras

**District 4:** Tazheen Nizam

## Community College Boards

### Grossmont Cuyamaca Board

- Area 1: Linda Cartwright
- Area 2: Debbie Justeson
- Area 5: Brad Monroe

### MiraCosta Community College Board

- Area 1: Anna Pedroza
- Area 2: Rick Cassar
- Area 6: David Broad
- Area 7: William Fischer

### Palomar College Board:

Mark Evilsizer, Lee Dulgeroff

### San Diego Community College Board

- District A: Maria Nieto Senour
- District C: Craig Milgrim
- District E: [Sean Elo](#)

### Southwestern Community College Board

- Seat 2: Nora E. Vargas
- Seat 4: Leticia Cazares or Nicole Jones
- Seat 5: Tim Nader

## K-12 School Boards

**Bonsall Unified:** Brian Olson

**Borrego Springs Unified:** Curt Yaws

**Carlsbad Unified:**

- Area 1: Veronica Williams
- Area 5: Kathleen Rallings

**Chula Vista Elementary**

- Seat 1: Francisco Tamayo
- Seat 3: Leslie Bunker
- Seat 5: Eduardo Reyes or Kate Bishop

**Del Mar Union:** Douglas Rafner, [Gee Wah Mok](#)  
[Gee says he is a Democratic Socialist](#)

**Encinitas Union Elementary:** Marla Strich,

[Christian Adams: Christian is a DSA member](#)

**Escondido Union Elementary**

- Area 4: Georgine Tomasi

**Fallbrook Union Elementary:**

Patty de Jong, Susan Liebes, Patrick Rusnell,

Caron Lieber, and Eren Melendez

**Fallbrook Union High** ): Elana Sterling, Diane Summers, Lita Tabish, and Sherry Ludwig are the Democrats in the race

**Grossmont Union High**

Peggy Elizabeth Weaver

**Julian Union High** Danielle Woodward

**La Mesa Spring Valley Elementary**

Rebecca McRae, Charda Fontenot

**Lemon Grove Elementary**

Timothy Shaw, Yajaira Preciado

**Mountain Empire Unified**

Area 3: Rob Romero

**National Elementary** Gonzalo Quintero, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, Maria Dalla, Alma Sarmiento, Thelma Sanchez, and Randi Castle

**Oceanside Unified**

- Area 1: Esteban Balderas
- Area 3: Ann Corwin or Stacy Begin

**Poway Unified:**

Area B: Kimberly Garnier or Kevin Juza

Area C: Terry Norwood

Area D: Michelle O'Connor Ratcliff\*

**San Diego Unified**

District B: [Kevin Beiser](#)

District C: Michael McQuary\*

**San Dieguito Union High:**

- Area 1: Amy Flicker
- Area 3: Rhea Stewart
- Area 5: Kristin Gibson

**San Marcos Unified:**

Area E: Stacy Carlson or Christina Linden

**San Pasqual Union Elementary**

David Hersey, Dara Czerwonka

**San Ysidro School District:** Humberto Gurmilan, Rodolfo Lopez, Irene Lopez

**Solana Beach Elementary**

Debra Schade, Vicki King, Gaylin Allbaugh

**South Bay Union Elementary:** Marco Amaral

Melanie Ellsworth, Elvia Aguilar  
Louis Barrios or Mary Doyle

**Sweetwater Union High**

- Area 1: Arturo Solis
- Area 3: Frank Tarantino
- Area 5: Paula A Hall

**Vallecitos Elementary:** Martin Kurland

**Valley Center Pauma Union:**

Craig Adams, Wendy Heredia

**Vista Unified**

- Area 2: Carol Weise Herrera
- Area 3: Martha Alvarado

## Statewide Propositions

1: **YES**

2: **YES**

3: **YES**

4: **YES**

5: **NO**

6: **NO**

7: Vote your conscience, Daylight Saving Time

8: **YES**

10: **YES.** This proposition repeals the statewide ban on rent control measures and has been endorsed by DSA-SD.

11: **NO**

12: **YES**

## County Measures

Measures not listed are **YES**

A: **NO**

B: **NO**

C: No consensus.

D: **YES.** This measure ensures that countywide races are decided in the November general election and not in the June primary.

E: **NO.** Oppose "Soccer City" Development

G: No Consensus on "SDSU West" Development

W: **YES.** This measure establishes rent control in coordination with Prop 10, which is endorsed by DSA-SD