

CHOOSING A POLITICAL PARTY: A 2-STEP PROCESS!

STEP 1

Read the “Political Parties’ Statements of Purpose” as provided to the CA Secretary of State.

<https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/political-parties/party-statements>

(The entire text is printed below for your review. It’s a good practice to go directly to the website prior to an election.)



STEP 2

Google the names of the nominees for President in the 2016 & 2020 elections for each political party. Read news articles and listen to videos from various sources to get a clear picture of the political parties’ policy positions.

NOTE

If you do not find a political party that supports most of your interests or you do not want to affiliate yourself with a political party, you may decide to register as an **independent** voter with **No Political Party preference (NPP)**. Mark ☐ No Party/None, I do not want to choose a political party preference.

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POLITICAL PARTY STATEMENTS OF PURPOSE

AMERICAN INDEPENDENT

DO NOT confuse with independent – No Political Party (NPP). Refer to preceding

NOTE

The American Independent Party is the party of ordered liberty in a nation under God. We believe in strict adherence to written law. We believe the Constitution is the contract America has with itself. Its willful distortion has led to the violation of our Tenth Amendment guaranteed right to limited government—which inevitably requires oppressive taxation. Its faithful application will lift that burden. Freed from the lawless oppression of Progressive rule, we may then compassionately and justly use our energy and ingenuity to provide for ourselves and our families. We will then establish truly free and responsible enterprise and reassert the basic human right to property.

We believe in protecting all human life however weak, defenseless, or disheartened; endorse the family as the essential bulwark of liberty, compassion, responsibility, and industry; and declare the family’s right and responsibility to nurture, discipline, and educate their children.

We assert the absolute, concurrent Second Amendment guaranteed individual right to self defense coupled with a strong common defense, a common defense which requires a national sovereignty not damaged by imprudent treaties.

We oppose all illegal immigration.

We support secure borders and immigration policies, inviting the best of the world to join us in freedom.

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DEMOCRATIC PARTY

California Democrats are committed to rebuilding a State that provides every person with fair access to improve their lives through good paying jobs, affordable housing, quality education, universal and exceptional healthcare, racial justice and equitable protection against the impacts of climate change.

Our mission is to fight for our most vulnerable communities, protect working families and ensure that we live up to the promises of the California dream.

Although we know that the road to recovering from the pandemic has not been easy, California Democrats are dedicated to making life better for ALL.

California Democrats are committed to continue fighting for immediate relief for those who need it most, delivering ongoing assistance to small businesses, tackling the homelessness crisis, providing relief to low-income renters and landlords, and transforming our public education system.

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GREEN PARTY

The Green Party of California works to build an alternative system for a socially and racially just, ecologically sustainable, democratic, and peaceful society that exists in harmony with nature, we call this system EcoSocialism.

Over 350 California Greens have served in elected office since 1990. Greens' early vision has resulted in cannabis legalization, closing California's last nuclear power plant, and enabling public banking. Our actions match our values because we refuse contributions from corporations.

Registering Green and voting Green means:

ECONOMIC FAIRNESS

- Living wages, green jobs, workers' rights
- Universal healthcare, free higher education, affordable housing, food security for all
- Reforming Proposition 13 to close corporate loopholes, restore schools and public services

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- Taxing the super-rich

CLIMATE CRISIS

- Going 100% renewable through publicly-owned, clean energy and efficiency programs
- Switching from fossil fuels to clean electric-powered public transportation
- Restoring groundwater and watersheds
- Reforestation, restorative agriculture

HUMAN RIGHTS

- Ending oppression based on race, sex, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, economic status
- Protecting immigrants with sanctuary and pathways to citizenship
- Black Lives Matter, police accountability
- Gun control/safety
- Abolishing the death penalty, ending private prisons, reducing prison populations

ELECTORAL REFORM

- Proportional representation, ranked choice voting
- Publicly-financed elections to eliminate corporate money
- Overturning Top Two primary

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LIBERTARIAN PARTY

Libertarians stand for something: Respect and Freedom.

Respect for each individual's life and liberty, without government coercion or force. We strive to reduce the use of force, thus increasing happiness, harmony, and prosperity for all.

We believe that the most peaceful, prosperous, socially fair, and tolerant society is one that solves its problems without government force. We believe that social woes like inaccessible healthcare, inadequate social justice, inadequate housing, economic instability, and racial disparity are caused and perpetuated by officials who would rather increase their power instead of solving problems.

We believe in freedom. For 50 years, the Libertarian Party has been at the forefront of advocating once radical issues like marijuana legalization, marriage equity, school choice, gun rights, transportation competition, and ending mandatory minimum sentences and asset forfeiture laws. We oppose foreign wars and want to bring our troops home from overseas.

We want to stop giving money and power to the same people who have caused the problems we face today.

It is time for a big change. If you are tired of throwing away your vote, send a message—Vote Libertarian!

Honor "Mimi" Robson, Chair

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PEACE AND FREEDOM PARTY

The Peace and Freedom Party is a working class party in a country run by and for the wealthy and their corporations. We should not have to sacrifice our health, our livelihoods, and our planet for billionaires' profits. Tax the rich, whose wealth is created by workers, to pay for people's needs.

Our Goals:

- Social justice & equality: Free universal health care for all. *Free education for everyone, preschool through university. *Full immigrant rights; no deportations. *End homelessness, housing for all. *Jobs or Income; labor rights for all. *End racism, LGBTQ and women's oppression, and all discrimination. *Comprehensive services for disabled people.
- Environment: *Reverse Climate change. *Restore and protect the environment.
- Justice reform: *Abolish the death penalty. *Stop police abuse and prison torture.
- Peace: *No U.S. wars, sanctions, or coups. *No foreign bases.
- Democracy: *Repeal California's "top two" election law. *Implement proportional representation.

While capitalism puts the wealthy first, we will continue to suffer war, police brutality, low wages, unsafe workplaces, and pollution. We advocate socialism: the ownership and democratic control of the economy by the people. By taking control of our industries and natural resources, we can make progress for the common good.

Register Peace and Freedom Party!

Peace and Freedom Party

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REPUBLICAN PARTY

The California Republican Party is working to make California better – a place where you can live safely, raise your family, get an education, find a job or start your own business.

For too long, one party has made all the decisions in Sacramento. It has only made things worse. Homelessness and poverty are increasing. Taxes are too high. Houses cost too much, and crime rates are skyrocketing. Instead of helping, government has made things worse. Instead of fixing the problems, the party currently controlling Sacramento wants to raise your taxes even higher.

Republicans believe you deserve a break, and we're fighting for you. You deserve a job with a paycheck that covers your housing costs, car payment, living expenses, and health insurance, with money left over for your future.

Republicans are fighting to rebuild California's economy, for better public schools, and for a state that is affordable for everyone. Instead of political games, we're committed to working with people from all walks of life to make a successful future for our children and grandchildren.

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Everyone is welcome in the California Republican Party. Your diversity is our strength. Please join us, and let's make California better. Visit CAGOP.org to learn more.

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STEP 2

STILL NOT SURE BECAUSE SOME POLITICAL PARTIES SOUND THE SAME OR APPEAL EQUALLY? GOOGLE THE 2016 & 2020 PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEES OF EACH POLITICAL PARTY. GET THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY ON EACH. THIS WILL HELP YOU DETERMINE WHICH PARTY IS LIKELY TO SUPPORT YOUR INTERESTS.

2016 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION DATE: NOVEMBER 8, 2016	
POLITICAL PARTY	NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT
American Independent	Donald Trump
Democrat	Hillary Clinton
Green	Jill Stein
Libertarian	Gary Johnson
Peace and Freedom	Gloria La Riva
Republican	Donald Trump
2020 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION DATE: NOVEMBER 8, 2016	
POLITICAL PARTY	NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT
American Independent	Roque De La Fuente
Democrat	Biden
Green	Howie Hawkins
Libertarian	Jo Jorgensen
Peace and Freedom	Gloria La Riva
Republican	Donald Trump