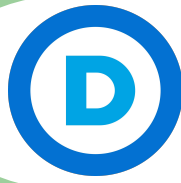


Cowlitz County Democratic Central Committee



ENDORSEMENT PROCESS

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CCDCC Endorsement Process

The endorsement policy for the Cowlitz County Democratic Central Committee (CCDCC) is available here: (insert link) Generally, candidates request an Endorsement from the organization via email, letter or in-person during a speaking engagement. Next, candidates fill out a questionnaire and submit it to this email address: cowlitzdemocrats@gmail.com. The questionnaires are available [here](#). Candidates will then be contacted by the Endorsement Committee for an in-person interview.

The Endorsement Committee makes a recommendation to the Executive Board of the CCDCC. The Executive Board then weighs in and provides a recommendation to the general membership at a CCDCC general meeting. The endorsements are ratified by a vote of the general membership. It is at the discretion of the Endorsement Committee and the Executive Board to recommend no endorsement, multiple endorsements in a race, or one endorsement in a race.

Also, it is at the discretion of the Endorsement Committee and the Executive Board to recommend the timing of the Endorsements to take place before filing week, between filing week and the primary, or after the primary. Non-partisan races are discussed by the Executive Board on a case by case basis and Endorsements may or may not be made by the organization in Non-partisan races. If you have any questions, please send an email to: cowlitzdemocrats@gmail.com and we'll get back to you

Financial Support for Campaigns

The CCDCC has limited funds and so puts emphasis on candidates who are running as Democrats in Partisan races.

Candidates or representatives of campaigns may request financial support by sending an email to: cowlitzdemocrats@gmail.com.

Generally, the Executive Board evaluates requests for financial support along with the Endorsement process mentioned above.

Recommendations for financial support are made by the Executive Board to the general membership at a general CCDCC meeting. The general membership discusses and ratifies these decisions by vote.

Timing can be important for these requests. Executive Board meetings are usually the fourth Monday of the month and Central Committee meetings of the general membership are usually the first Monday of the month.

Therefore, a request for financial support can take several weeks to go through the process of both of these meetings, Executive Board and general CCDCC Meeting. So, please plan accordingly.

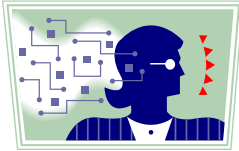
If you have any questions about the process, please send an email with questions to this address: cowlitzdemocrats@gmail.com or speak to a member of the Executive Board.

Questionnaires:

- County Questionnaire
- Legislative Questionnaire
- Judicial Questionnaire

(Click to open)

Timeline for Endorsements



Requesting an Early Endorsement for the period before Filing of Candidacy.

Submit your completed Questionnaire to us at: cowlitzdemocrats@gmail.com

30 days before filing week.

Endorsement Committee recommendations will be considered at the April Executive Board Meeting and be ratified at the May Central Committee Meeting.

Requesting an Endorsement between Filing Week and the Primary.

Submit your completed Questionnaire to us at: cowlitzdemocrats@gmail.com

30 days before the Primary ballots mail out.

Endorsement Committee recommendations will be considered at the June Executive Board Meeting and be ratified at the July Central Committee Meeting.

Requesting an Endorsement after the Primary.

Submit your completed Questionnaire to us at: cowlitzdemocrats@gmail.com

30 days before the General Election ballots mail out.

Endorsement Committee recommendations will be considered at the September Executive Board Meeting and be ratified at the October Central Committee Meeting.

(**Note*** You need only fill out and submit one Questionnaire during the Endorsement Process).

Endorsement Committee

Endorsement:

The act of giving one's public expression of support to someone or something.

We're pleased to have several dedicated Democrats who have stepped up to help us with this important work.

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The Questionnaires ask candidates about their background, employment and life history, and also about their opinion on a number of issues. At the County Convention in March of 2018, a new platform for Cowlitz County was developed and the issues identified in the platform are reflected in the Questionnaires.

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