

Central Valley Progressive- Political Action Committee

**Endorsement Questionnaire- County Candidates**

**Candidate Profile:**

Name: Bryce Herrera	District Seeking: 2
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Campaign Manager: None Official	Campaign Manager Phone:

**Background and Experience:**

Briefly describe your background and experience, highlighting any previous political or community involvement that demonstrates your commitment to progressive values.

I am native to Fresno, attending Fresno and Hoover High Schools and going to Fresno State. I have worked in politics in several capacities, as an advocate for Native American causes, serving on the Fresno County Young Democrats, and canvassing for both Annalisa Perea and Robert Fuentes, as well as working for Luis Chavez. I do not feel that we should just forfeit Supervisor 2 a Biden won District to the Republicans. Win or lose, I am willing to be that voice.

**CVPPAC Core Values:**

*Please answer YES or NO to the following 7 questions.*

1. Addressing income inequality and ensuring a fair minimum wage are crucial to promoting economic justice for all members of our society.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_x

No \_\_\_\_\_

2. Expanding access to affordable healthcare will improve our community's healthcare outcomes for all and reduce disparities in outcomes amongst the different social segments.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_x

No \_\_\_\_\_

3. Climate change is an environmental crisis that must be addressed by decreasing our dependence on fossil fuels and increasing solar, wind and other alternative energy sources.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_x

No \_\_\_\_\_

4. All levels of government must have strategies to address systemic racism, promote social justice, and ensure equal rights and opportunities for marginalized communities.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_x

No \_\_\_\_\_

5. Education is a foundational social good, and all residents deserve equitable access to affordable education in safe conditions, provided by appropriately provisioned and adequately compensated educators.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_x

No \_\_\_\_\_

6. Our criminal justice system must be reformed to reduce mass incarceration and ensure fair and equitable treatment of all residents.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_x

No \_\_\_\_\_

7. Immigration policies must be updated to include increased pathways to citizenship and protections of immigrant rights, thereby acknowledging the humanitarian issues inherent in relocation.

Yes \_\_\_\_\_x

No \_\_\_\_\_

### **Free Response Questions:**

*For the following five questions, please limit your responses to no more than 100 words per question.*

1. What specifically do you plan to do to ensure Fresno County's stock of affordable, safe, and decent housing increases significantly?

I can learn and I am willing to listen. I will work with those who have been working on this issue for many years to come up with good solutions. The City of Fresno has done a decent jobs at creating more housing and I think that continuing their efforts would be a good thing. We also have some great activists in this community who have been advocates for the homeless like Mike Rhodes, and I would want their input as well.

2. How do you plan to engage and empower underrepresented communities to ensure their voices are heard and their needs are addressed?

I have Native American ancestry and I understand what it is like to feel voiceless and ignored. I have a very brown complexion, and I feel I have suffered discrimination due to this. But we must engage and lift up. I will be out in the community, open to all people, listening to their concerns, and representing their views.

3. What actions should the Board of Supervisors take to be more proactive in addressing air-quality and water issues in the Central Valley? For example, do you support regulations limiting new oil drilling in Fresno County?

This is an important issue, we need smart growth, not sprawl. We need to build up, not just build out. We need a quality public transportation system and safe bike lanes for those who choose alternative forms of transportation. We are the fruit and vegetable basket of the country and farming is important, but we need to also work to ensure that we protect our water supply from undue contamination not just for the environment, but ensure the sustainability of our farms for years to come as well.

4. How do you plan to avoid conflicts of interest and uphold ethical standards while serving in office?

Ethics are important. If I ever have a conflict of interest, I will recuse myself.

5. If endorsed by our Progressive Political Action Committee, what specific actions do you commit to taking to advance progressive policies and values?

I will work to empower the poor, to serve those in greatest need, and for an environmentally sustainable future for Fresno. I will push for more funds for services for those in the greatest need, slower growth of our city boundaries, and a transportation system that serves all our residents.

Candidate Signature:

**Bryce A. Herrera**

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*(Use the draw function to sign this document. Signing confirms candidate's permission to post responses on CVPPAC website.)*

Thank you so much for your time and energy in completing this questionnaire. Your responses will be posted on the CVPPAC website and distributed to CVPPAC members. All completed questionnaire responses are to be submitted to Simone Cranston-Rhodes by **5 pm Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup> (without exception)**. The CVPPAC endorsement meeting will be held on **Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at Studio 65**.

**CVPPAC Endorsement Meeting**

Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM

Studio 65

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