**Mendocino Women’s Political Coalition**

**2024 ELECTION YEAR ENDORSEMENTS**

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Thank you for expressing interest in seeking an endorsement from the Mendocino Women's Political Coalition. MWPC is committed to uniting women in Mendocino County, promoting diversity, fostering economic opportunities, and encouraging women's active political participation. Our goals include advocating for women's issues, supporting sustainable environmental practices, and endorsing qualified candidates who share our values.

MWPC seeks out qualified candidates who share our vision for a more inclusive, equitable, and environmentally conscious community. Endorsed candidates will receive our official support, and in some cases may receive a campaign donation. To request endorsement, please complete this candidate questionnaire.

We appreciate your dedication to public service and look forward to learning more about how your positions on key issues align with MWPC's mission. Thank you for working with us to create positive change and improve our communities.

City of Ukiah candidates who wish to be considered for MWPC endorsement in the March 2024 primary election must return completed questionnaires **by September 30, 2024**.

MWPC nominations for endorsement will be collected after candidate forum events on September 24, 2024.

Email to: kristana.arp@gmail.com and cc: mayers4ky@gmail.com

Or mail to: MWPC, BOX 1140, Ukiah, CA 95482

**Response Format**

This questionnaire has been provided in Microsoft Word. Candidates may submit their written responses in any format they choose, as long as the responses are complete and legible.

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**CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE**

*You may provide longer answers on a separate page and attach any relevant campaign materials.*

Phone:

Name:

Email:

Election Date:

Office Sought:

Campaign Name:

Website:

Campaign Email:

Campaign Committee ID Number\*:

Campaign Treasurer:

\* California campaign committees may obtain a committee ID number by filing Form 410, Statement of Organization, with the California Fair Political Practices Commission. Form 410 must be filed within 10 days of raising $2,000 or more. For more information go to <https://www.fppc.ca.gov/learn.html>.

**ELEVATOR PITCH:** Why you are the best candidate for this office? Please provide a concise introduction that can be communicated in 30 seconds or less (one short paragraph).

**PART ONE - MWPC Core Principles**

**Reproductive Choice:** In recent years there has been an orchestrated effort to chip away at women’s right to reproductive choice by dividing the issue into sub-issues including parental consent and public funding of family planning and abortion.

Do you unequivocally support a woman’s right to reproductive self-determination?

Do you support public funding of abortion?

Please state any reservations:

**Child Care and Dependent Care:** Do you support increased access to childcare and other dependent care programs funded from all available sources?

**Support of Ending Discrimination:** Will you make a commitment to ending discrimination based on race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, ethnic origin, marital status, socioeconomic status and disability?

Do you support Marriage Equality?

**Elimination of Sexual Harassment:** Will you work to ensure that laws and educational programs are in place to eliminate sexual harassment?

**Comparable Worth:** Comparable Worth is the effort to bring wages in female-dominated occupations to a level of pay equal to other jobs (often male dominated) that require comparable skills, responsibilities and education. Do you support the concept of Comparable Worth?

**PART TWO – Campaign Information**

A. What are your qualifications for this office?

B. What campaign experience and training have you had?

C. List your major endorsements.

D. Where do you expect to get your main political, financial and volunteer support?

E. Describe your campaign organization (staff, consultants, volunteers.)

F. Describe your campaign strategy (mailers, forums, walking, phone banks, etc.)

G. List your opposition:

H. What are the demographics and political affiliation of your district?

**PART THREE – Office-Specific Questions**

Please answer the specific questions for each election office and year (see attached) in the box below. List the question number next to each response, and attach additional pages as needed.

I. Office-specific responses: How will you assist women and children?

**PART FOUR – Personal Information**

J. Please tell us something about yourself, (occupation, education, family, community involvement, etc.) You may attach your resume if you wish.

**PART FIVE – Financial Information *(Confidential)***

K. What is your projected budget? How much have you raised at present? How do you intend to raise the balance? *(This is for our information only, and will not be posted on the MWPC website.)*

**SUBMIT**

By submitting this questionnaire, you give us permission to post your responses to Parts One through Four on the MWPC website at <https://mendocinowomen.org/endorsements/>.

Candidate's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Return this completed questionnaire by the deadline to be considered for endorsement.**

Mail to: **MWPC ~** or ~ Email to: **kristana.arp@gmail.com.**

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 **Ukiah, CA 95482**