

2006 State Candidate Questionnaire

The following are candidate questionnaires received after the publication deadline of the voters' guide.

Candidate	What are your three priorities if elected?	If elected, name three actions you would encourage state government take to reduce poverty in Oregon.	If elected, name three actions you would encourage the private sector take to reduce poverty in Oregon.	If elected, name three actions you would encourage state government take to decrease dependence on fossil fuels.	If elected, name three actions you would encourage the private sector take to protect Oregon's environment.
State Representative					
Howard L. Owens <i>District 3-Grants Pass</i>	"Change the tax structure so that businesses pay their fair-share; Secure adequate and dependable school funding; Prison reform"	"Work for a comprehensive healthcare system; Provide incentives to keep good jobs in Oregon; Ensure a good education but with reduced costs to those in poverty"	"Build adequate low-cost housing; Develop training programs to use local labor; Provide a living wage"	"Invest in producing bio-fuels; Increase incentives to encourage solar installations; Develop public transportation systems and encourage ridership"	"All [listed in the previous response] plus strict rules to protect air quality; Encourage use of environmentally friendly building materials (adobe, etc); Tree farm timber usage rather than cutting our natural forests"
Phil Barnhart <i>District 11-Eugene</i>	"Provide adequate and stable funding for K-12 education and community colleges and universities; Address health care crisis in Oregon; Improve public safety"	"Improve quality and availability of community college and university educations; Reinstate proper funding of the Oregon Health Plan; Provide health insurance to Oregon's uninsured children"	"Provide living wage jobs; Join with other businesses to provide health insurance; Stop using loopholes to avoid paying fair share for basic programs and infrastructure"	"Support the development of alternative fuel sources such as bio-fuels, solar, wind, and tidal energy; Increase fuel economy standards for light cars and trucks; Improve funding for public transportation and alternative transportation"	"Increase reuse and recycling; Reduce dumping of toxic waste into rivers and streams; Utilize green technology"
Donna Nelson <i>District 24-McMinnville</i>	"Hwy 18; Safety; Stronger penalties for meth dealers, sex abusers, porn and nude dancing; Fully fund Head Start and veterans; Lacys law; end abortion; parental notification; Prioritizing needs with designated funding: 1) safety 2) seniors and disabled 3) children"	"Build business and jobs; Reduce regulations; Fund training and vocational skills in H.S. [sic] and after; Tax credits for charitable work and giving for eliminating hunger"	"Adopt needy families, meth children; Hire and train; Give"	"Develop biofuel capabilities; Tax incentives to develop alternative fuel; Eliminate waste of crop residuals"	"Sponsor education on need for clean air and water; Eliminate overgrowth and burnt timber; Free enterprise zones for respectful industries"
Jeff Barker <i>District 28-Aloha</i>	"Securing adequate funding for our public K-12 schools, colleges, and universities; Expanding access to affordable health care; Keeping Oregonians safe – more state police, stiffer penalties for intoxicated drivers, preventing sexual assault and domestic violence, and fighting meth"	"Protecting our minimum wage laws; Expanding access to affordable health care; Making higher education more affordable"	"Assisting employees' families with child care costs; Providing low-interest loans from credit unions; Working with local non-profits to reduce hunger in Oregon"	"Passing comprehensive bio-fuels legislation; Encouraging greater ridesharing for state and local government employees; Working with other state governments to encourage the federal government to adopt higher fuel efficiency standards"	"Emphasizing greater levels of recycling; Encouraging more employee ridesharing; Restoring pride in Oregon by helping state and local government clean up the Willamette River"
Deborah Boone <i>District 32-Cannon Beach</i>	"Health issues: Expand mental health parity to all, discounted Rx drug access for all. Expand OHP. Reduce health insurance premiums by instituting incentives for healthy life style choices. Public safety: Increase OSP funding for 24/7 trooper coverage statewide. Implement credit 'freeze' option to address ID theft. Continue work on meth and foster care problems. Fund add'l D & A [sic] treatment. Education: Work toward implementation of Quality Education Model. Implement Governor's K-20 plan providing seamless transition from K-12 to Community College, university, graduate school. Fully fund Head Start, full-day Kindergarten."	"Help people help themselves by providing more family wage job opportunities. Help find local solutions to partner in problem areas. Food banks, social opportunities, faith community along with state services can work together to help families succeed. Help find partnerships to build/remodel affordable housing. Invest in communities using leverage, partnerships, incentives, etc. creating jobs and business opportunities."	"See 2 [second question]; Work together with federal, state and local opportunities for project development in communities: housing, business, etc.; Provide good incentives that enable participation and assistance that benefits both sides; Use state workforce development programs when hiring employees for local businesses"	"Focus on renewable clean energy sources like wave, wind, solar; Provide assistance and incentives for agriculture industry to produce bio-fuel crops and forestry industry to produce bio-mass fuels; Encourage lowest emissions and clean-running engines use in cars and trucks; Provide incentives"	"Educate public regarding private use of chemicals, pesticides and herbicides; Promote responsible boating practices regarding gas engines, etc. and use of spill protection when fueling in water; Adopt responsible practices regarding state's parks, recreational areas, etc.; Keep clean and use non-pollutants."