



CapitalWomen

Endorsement Guidelines and Candidate Questionnaire

CapitalWomen NY started as a grassroots organization which has evolved into a political action committee (PAC) that has played a pivotal role electing progressive candidates who are dedicated to protecting the rights of women and all other groups who have yet to achieve their full rights under the Constitution. We are committed to assuring equal opportunity to pursue education, employment and participation in our civil society. And, we are resolute in promoting the health and safety of our communities. Our membership is committed to electing candidates to state and local offices who are pro-choice and who will work to advance our mission and core positions.

Any candidate seeking CapitalWomen NY's endorsement must meet the following criteria:

- Fulfill all filing requirements including filing with county or New York State Board of Elections
- Demonstrate the ability to raise campaign funds
- Appear on the ballot for either a local or state primary or a general election
- Agree to publicly acknowledge CapitalWomen NY's endorsement as well as her/his concurrence with the organization's mission
- Append her/his campaign bio
- Submit our candidate questionnaire by the deadline below

The purpose of this questionnaire is to educate the members of CapitalWomen about candidates who seek our endorsement. Contents will not be shared outside of CapitalWomen.

Candidate Name: _____ Party Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone : _____ Email: _____

Position running for: _____

Name of Campaign Committee: _____

Campaign Address: _____

Campaign Website: _____

Campaign Social Media Handles:

Facebook: _____

Twitter: _____

Instagram: _____

Other(s): _____

Amount raised to date: \$ _____ What will your campaign budget be?: _____

Nominating petitions filed for which party designation(s): _____

What other organizations' endorsements are you pursuing? _____

What other endorsements have you received? _____

Other elected offices/civic leadership positions you have held: _____

Who are you running against? _____

Campaign Manager: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Candidate Signature: _____ Date: _____

If you have a primary, please return this questionnaire to pac@capitalwomennny.org by April 15, 2021. If you're only engaged in a general election, please return it by May 1, 2021.

A. In 500 words or less, please tell us why you are running and what you have done to support a women's agenda:

1. Please note professional, personal and volunteer accomplishments you believe enhance your qualifications as a candidate (you can provide a resume, if you prefer).

2. Please list your top priorities if elected:

B. Please articulate your perspective/position on the issues below. Provide, when appropriate, any specific policy work or accomplishments in these areas. (If you have no position or are undecided on any issue please so indicate).

1. A woman's right to choose and everyone's right to access the full range of reproductive health care:

2. Fighting systemic racism

3. Societal economic inequality

4. Police and Criminal Justice Reform

5. Rights for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer+ community

6. Equality for women employees in the workplace

7. Equity for women and minority-owned businesses in access to local and state government purchasing and contracts

8. Domestic violence and sexual assault/harassment

9. Combatting gun violence

10. Affordable health care

11. Affordable childcare and early childhood education:

12. Fighting addiction and mental health crises:

13. Climate change and other environmental concerns:

13. Immigration Issues:

C. Why are you seeking the endorsement of Capital Women?

1. Will you publicly announce an endorsement by Capital Women NY that you may receive?

Yes No

2. Will you publicly support the mission of Capital Women NY?

Yes No

3. Anything else you would like Capital Women to know?