



CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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1. **What do you see as the greatest challenges when it comes to providing residents with a livable, affordable and safe community?**

Income inequality has created interwoven issues that we must address: our affordability crisis, homelessness and decline in city services and quality of life.

We need to do more to retain and re-grow our working and middle class families. We need to address the financial burdens our working families are facing. I'm proud to have negotiated and won the highest levels of affordable housing-- I'm not afraid to step up and negotiate for my residents.

I am proud to have led the initiative to make San Francisco the only city in the nation to make City College free for our residents and am now fighting to make childcare affordable for all families to expand opportunities for our residents.

We must address homelessness. We have a humanitarian crisis that can be addressed by preserving and building more affordable housing while also greatly expand our mental health and substance abuse treatment beds. I fought for full time nurses at all of our homeless shelters and built a 24 hour medical shelter in my District. I also support building a Behavioral Health Justice Center to support individuals who need sustained help.

We are a wealthy city with dirty streets - it's unacceptable and addressing street cleanliness will be one of my top priorities at City Hall. The number of service calls reporting trash, feces, needles, glass and other materials has increased over the last three years. As a City, we need to prioritize funding for City programs to keep up with the demand for services. San Francisco streets should be clean and safe for tourists, visitors and residents alike.

2. What is the biggest opportunity for your district or city during the next four years?

From fighting for a \$15 per hour minimum wage and making City College free, to passing significant new protections for tenants, and taking on the developers to win unprecedented levels of affordable housing, I have fought for bold change.

I am running for Mayor of San Francisco because we have an opportunity to lead the nation in building an agenda which regrows our middle class and addresses the fastest growing income gap between the rich and poor in this country. We are a progressive city and a wealthy city. We can invest in affordable housing, public education, and a world class public transit system.

I've demonstrated this vision over the last decade serving on the Board of Education and Board of Supervisors-- I authored the legislation to make San Francisco the only city in the nation to make community college for all of our residents. I authored the measure to give our minimum wage workers a raise to \$15 and I have won record levels of affordable and middle income housing.

3. Describe your commitment to your district or city leading up to your bid for office.

After I graduated from Stanford, I began my career as a youth community organizer at Chinatown Community Development Center working on affordable housing, neighborhood planning, parks and public transit. After attending UC Berkeley School of Law, I was an attorney at Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights. My work led me to run and serve on the Board of Education and the Board of Supervisors.

I represent a challenging and diverse district in San Francisco with the poorest and some of the wealthiest residents, along with much of our tourist, cultural and commercial neighborhoods. The District I represent is overseeing close to 80% of all of San Francisco's residential and commercial development. The issues in the district I represent mirror the top citywide issues-- housing and development, homelessness, clean streets and need for public safety. I have a proven track record addressing these issues.

4. Silicon Valley and the Bay Area are at the center of global, technological advancement. How do you see technology's role in changing the lives of both longtime residents and transplants?

Technology has transformed how we live, work and get around in the Bay Area. Technological advances have moved forward innovations that improve services, save lives and connect individuals. It has also been the largest driver of our economic growth in the last decade. Technology also needs to be regulated-- we live in a dense city and we all share our streets, infrastructure and public spaces. And companies which use our infrastructure to make a profit should also invest these profits back into our City's services, roads, transit and housing to name a few.

When I came into office in 2011, we were just coming out of the Great Recession and jobs were the number one concern of residents of San Francisco. Today, our economy is running at full throttle but not all the benefits of that expansion have been felt by all of our residents. Our challenge is to ensure our prosperity is more evenly distributed.

San Francisco has the fastest growing income gap between the rich and the poor in the nation and so we must work to ensure that the great wealth created by new technologies benefits all our residents. I was proud to lead the fight to make San Francisco the only city in the nation to make community college for all San Francisco residents via a modest increase to our ultra luxury real estate transfer tax. I am currently working on a revenue measure to make childcare and early childhood education affordable for all our families.

I believe San Francisco has a unique opportunity as both a liberal city and wealthy city to be a beacon for the nation and invest in our social infrastructure to support our working class and regrow our middle class. I hope you will join me and vote for me on June 5th.