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## A CHAMPION FOR NEW MEXICO

Teresa Leger Fernandez was born and raised in the Hispano North as part of a large rural ranching and farming family. The daughter of a bilingual education pioneer and Democratic State Senator, she attended one of the first Headstart programs in Las Vegas, New Mexico, eventually going on to graduate from Yale and Stanford Law School.

Teresa has spent the past 30 years working to build community here in New Mexico. As an attorney and advocate, she works to advance voting rights, promote tribal sovereignty, protect our acequia waters, and has secured nearly a billion dollars in funding to help build schools, rural health clinics, businesses and critical infrastructure. For 20 years, she has served on the board of a nationally recognized housing nonprofit, helping families buy affordable homes, and worked with La Compania de Albuquerque, a precursor to the National Hispanic Cultural Center.

A voting rights expert, she fought gerrymandering as Vice Chair of MALDEF, the nation's preeminent Latino civil rights organization. She won Santa Fe's ranked choice voting lawsuit and served as the lead voting rights litigator in the 2011 and 2002 redistricting in New Mexico. Teresa received appointments from Presidents Clinton and Obama, working as a White House Fellow on housing issues and as Vice Chair of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, advising Congress and the federal government on cultural and historic preservation policy.

Now, Teresa is stepping up and running for Congress to represent the district that she knows and loves, bringing with her a deep understanding of the Washington that matters to New Mexico.

Teresa with her sons Alisandro, Abelino, and Dario



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# TERESA AND THE DISTRICT

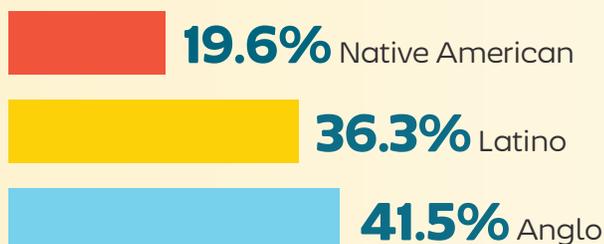
New Mexico's 3rd Congressional District is roughly the size of the state of Pennsylvania and is incredibly diverse. It contains significant urban and rural areas, as well as seventeen Native American Pueblos, the Jicarilla Apache Nation, and the Navajo Nation. The bulk of primary votes will come from Santa Fe, but there will be significant portions of the electorate coming from the rural areas of the Hispano North, which includes San Miguel, Mora, Taos, and Rio Arriba counties.

Based on trends from the 2016 presidential primary and the growth of the electorate over time, we expect a voter turnout of around 120,000 voters. In this crowded primary, the Native American vote is expected to play a decisive role, with about 8% of the electorate coming from the Native American population.

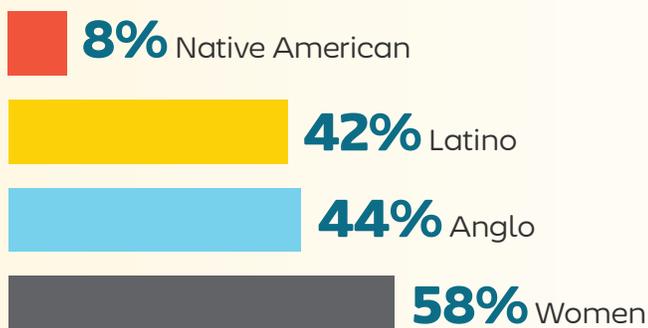
Teresa is the only candidate with significant experience working with the Hispano and Native American populations and is expected to appeal to a wide range of voters, including women and people of color. If elected, Teresa will be the first woman, and first Latina, to represent the district, and New Mexico will have an all woman of color delegation to the House.



## DEMOGRAPHICS



## VOTER BREAKDOWN



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# TERESA ON THE ISSUES

## TERESA IS RUNNING TO:

- ✓ Stand up for reproductive freedom
- ✓ Protect our air, land, and water and promote a Green New Deal
- ✓ Fight for access to quality, affordable health care for all Americans in their own communities
- ✓ Champion a humane, comprehensive immigration policy
- ✓ Celebrate and support our diverse communities and histories

## TERESA IS ENDORSED BY:

- ✓ Congresswoman Deb Haaland
- ✓ The Taos News
- ✓ The Santa Fe Reporter
- ✓ The Santa Fe New Mexican
- ✓ Off the Sidelines
- ✓ EMILY's List
- ✓ The Congressional Hispanic Caucus BOLD PAC
- ✓ The Congressional Progressive Caucus PAC
- ✓ NARAL: Pro Choice America
- ✓ PODER PAC (Latinas for Latinas)
- ✓ Sierra Club
- ✓ Latino Victory Fund
- ✓ Taos Pueblo
- ✓ Santo Domingo Pueblo
- ✓ Jicarilla Apache Nation
- ✓ Courage to Change PAC
- ✓ New Mexico Working Families Party
- ✓ Voter Protection Project
- ✓ End Citizens United
- ✓ Let America Vote
- ✓ Planned Parenthood Action Fund
- ✓ Animal Protection Voters

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