

# WOMEN'S POLITICAL COMMITTEE – STATE PAC

Please type or print your answers. Please complete the answers to all the questions. When using a separate sheet of paper please include the question along with the answer.

**1. Candidate's Name**

Christy Holstege

**2. Office Seeking (Please include the number of your district.)**

California State Assembly District 47

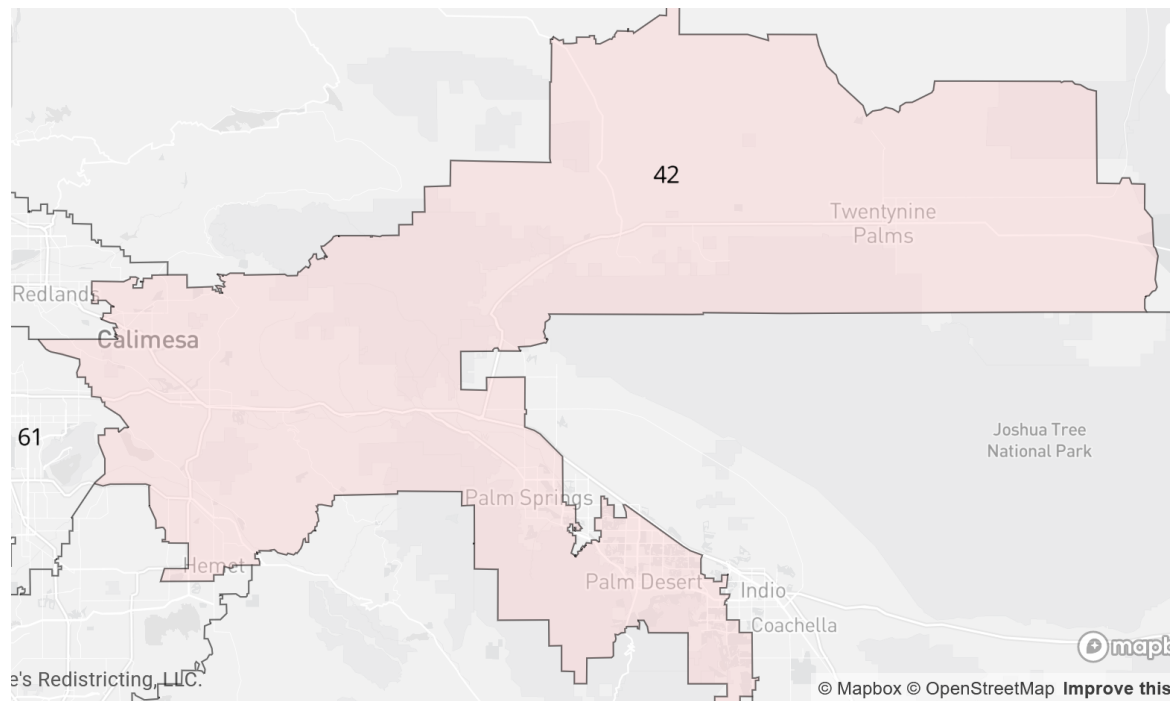
(District 42 before redistricting)

**3. Description of the District: (If you are seeking statewide office answer only section b.):**

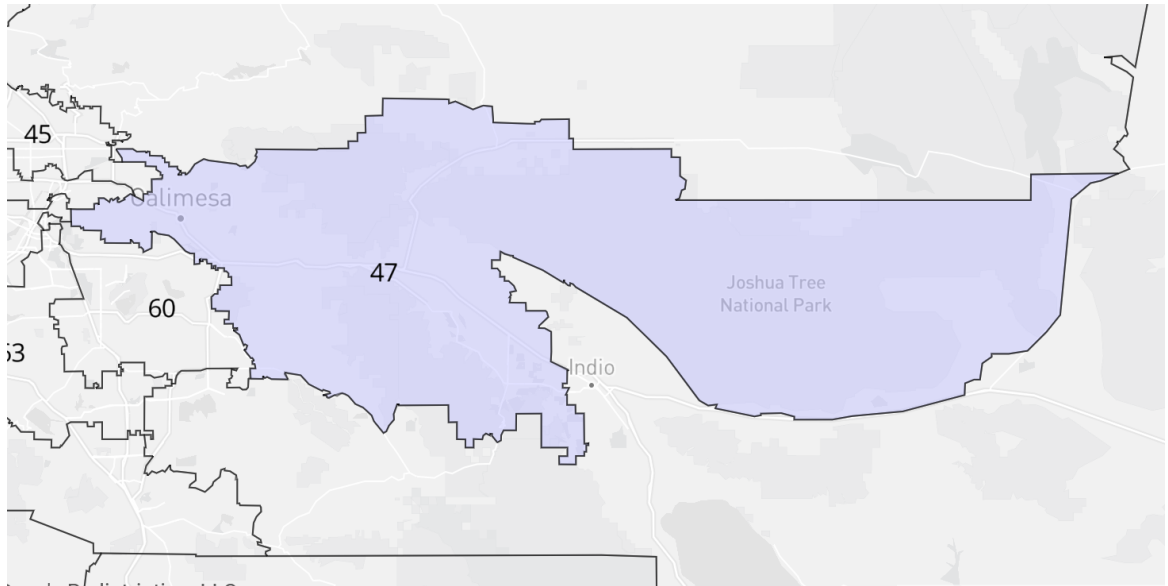
**a. Cities in district; location of the district. How much of your district is new due to redistricting? Please attach a map of the district to this questionnaire.**

72% of this district is the old AD42 and 28% of the district is new.

Former AD-42 before redistricting:



AD-47 after redistricting:



The cities in this district include:

- Palm Desert
- Palm Springs
- Beaumont
- Cathedral City
- La Quinta
- Banning
- Desert Hot Springs
- Rancho Mirage
- Valle Vista
- Calimesa
- Unincorporated
- Bermuda Dunes
- Cherry Valley
- Thousand Palms
- Indian Wells
- Garnet
- Idyllwild-Pine Cove
- Desert Edge
- Cabazon
- Whitewater
- San Jacinto
- Mountain Center
- Yucaipa
- Yucca Valley
- Highland

- Redlands
- Joshua Tree
- Morongo Valley
- Mentone
- Unincorporated
- Oak Glen

**b. Voter Registration: Include ethnic, party, and gender breakdown for the seat for which you are running according to total population, total registration, and total number of high propensity voters.**

	<u>All Voters</u>	<u>% of All Voters</u>	<u>High Prop. Voters</u>	<u>% of High Prop. Voters</u>	<u>Total Pop CVAP.</u>	<u>% of Total Pop CVAP.</u>
<b><u>Totals</u></b>	305,512	100	132,702	100	366,420	100
<b><u>Party</u></b>						
<b>Democrat</b>	120,444	39.42%	58,458	44.05%	N/A	N/A
<b>Republican</b>	104,445	34.19%	52,734	39.74%	N/A	N/A
<b>No Party Preference</b>	58,133	19.03%	15,035	11.33%	N/A	N/A
<b>Other</b>	22,490	7.36%	6,475	4.88%	N/A	N/A
<b><u>Gender</u></b>						
<b>Female</b>	150,573	49.2%	64,841	48.9%	N/A	N/A
<b>Male</b>	146,411	47.9%	65,567	49.4%	N/A	N/A
<b>Unknown</b>	8,528	2.8%	2,294	1.7%	N/A	N/A
<b><u>Ethnicity</u></b>						
<b>White</b>	202,699	66.3%	101,054	76.2%	226,869	62.0%
<b>Latino</b>	74,762	24.5%	19,098	14.4%	100,015	27.3%
<b>Black</b>	2,557	0.8%	1,192	0.8%	16,859	4.6%
<b>AAPI</b>	9,042	2.9%	2,963	2.2%	15,498	4.2%

**c. Past elections: How did your AD and SD vote for Governor and Controller in 2018? How did your AD and SD vote for President in 2016?**

This is a new district and so I have access to target book data on President 2016 and Governor 2018, but not Controller 2018

	<b>President 2016</b>	<b>Govern or 2018</b>	<b>President 2020</b>
<b>District 47</b>	Trump+0.17%	Cox +1.1%	Biden +6.56%

**Please be sure to answer all parts of the questions.**

**4. If your election dates are not consistent with California State Elections, please note the dates of your Primary and your General.**

N/A - my election dates are consistent with the rest of the state.

**5. Who is the present holder of the seat for which you are running? If this person is not a pro-choice Democrat, when was the last time a pro-choice Democrat held this seat?**

This seat is currently held by Republican-turned-Independent Chad Mayes, who is not running for reelection. The former 42nd district (now AD-47 after redistricting) had never been held by a Democrat in its prior iteration (2012-2021). However, the new iteration of the district post-redistricting is several points bluer than the old lines.

**6. Major Challenger:**

My major opponent is Republican Greg Wallis

**7. Campaign Team:**

General Consultant: J&Z Strategies - Christopher Guerrero

Fundraiser: Nicole Ward

Staff: Yurema Arvizu

**8. Fundraising:**

**a. How much money have you raised? (Please do not include pledges.)**

Raised to date: \$350,000

**b. How much do you need to raise?**

I plan on raising whatever it takes to be successful in this campaign - and I understand this may be more than a \$2 million campaign in the general election given the history of targeted seats similar to this one.

**c. How much money are you allowed to raise if there are limits?**

N/A

**d. How much cash do you have on hand?**

\$220,000

**e. How much is a loan from you to the campaign?**

\$25,000

**f. How much money has your major challenger(s) raised?**

Unknown - my main opponent Greg Wallis had not announced his campaign as of the last reporting period. He announced in January he had raised \$100,000.

**For the next 2 questions please do not include money transferred.**

**g. How much money have you raised this last reporting period?**

\$214,600

**h. How much money has your major challenger(s) raised in this last reporting period?**

My opponent had not announced yet at the time of the last reporting period.

**i. If there is a voluntary spending cap will you take it, and what is the limit if you accept the cap?**

I have not accepted the cap. As this is expected to be perhaps the most closely contested state assembly race in the state, and I anticipate Republican Super PACs to possibly spend unlimited dollars against me, I am not in a position to accept the spending caps.

**9. What is your campaign strategy (mail, media, etc.)?**

My team and I are running a comprehensive call time program, sending targeted texts to voters, engaging with voters through paid digital advertising, and pursuing a broad earned media strategy. I plan to run a data-driven, voter-focused campaign which

communicates our message throughout the district and across demographics. This includes paid media, voter contact, a comprehensive mail program, and a robust earned and paid media program. Furthermore, the district leans Democratic with a voter registration advantage. Because I expect to be the only Democrat in this race, I anticipate being able to consolidate my Democratic base in the primary in order to advance to the general, where I will face a Republican who scares off moderate swing voters.

**10. Has any polling been done in the last two months? Please share the results.**

We are currently in the field with a poll and anticipate results soon.

**11. What is your position on choice? Please check yes (if you agree) or no (if you disagree) with the following:**

**a. A woman has the right to choose an abortion for any reason up to the point of viability, as determined by a physician and in accordance with the principles of Roe v. Wade.**

**YES**

NO

**b. A woman has the right to choose an abortion at any time during her pregnancy to protect her life and health.**

**YES**

NO

**c. Every patient, in consultation with her physician, has the right to determine the best medical procedures and practices with regard to reproductive health and abortion.**

**YES**

NO

**d. All women should have the ability, regardless of income level or age, to access safe, confidential and affordable abortion and reproductive care (with or without parental consent).**

**YES**

NO

**e. There should be public funding for family planning and abortion services.**

**YES**

NO

**f. There should be no waiting period to obtain an abortion.**

**YES**

NO

**g. We should have comprehensive and evidence-based (accurate) sex education.**

**YES**

NO

**h. A minor should have access to abortion services without having to notify a parent or responsible adult.**

**YES**

NO

**If you are running for statewide office you may skip question 12.**

**12. Please list the State Senate or Assembly and Congressional seats that overlap your district. List both the name of the present occupant and number of the district.**

**a. State Assembly District # Name of Occupant**

Assembly District 42, Chad Mayes, is the incumbent for 72% of the district, though he chose not to run for re-election. Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia (AD56), Assemblymember Randy Voepel (AD71), and Assemblymember James Ramos (AD40) all represented portions of what became this new district prior to redistricting, but are all running in different districts.

**b. State Senate District # Name of Occupant**

Senator Ochoa Bogh (SD23) and Melissa Melendez (SD28) overlapped the district pre-redistricting.

**c. Congressional District # Name of Occupant**

Congressmembers Raul Ruiz (CD36), Jay Obernolte (CD8), and Pete Aguilar (CD31) all overlapped the district pre-redistricting.

**13. List only the names of any non-incumbent women who you supported in the previous primary election running for:**

**Congress:** Christy Smith

**State**

**Senate:** Elizabeth Romero, Abigail Medina

**Assembly:** Deni Mazingo

**Statewide Office:** Eleni Kounalakis

**14. List only the names of non-incumbent women candidates who you are supporting for Congress, State Senate, and Assembly in the current election cycle.**

**Congress:** Christy Smith

**State Senate and Assembly:** Laura Friedman, Wendy Carrillo, Maria Elena Durazo

**15. If you are an elected official and leaving office, please list the name and contact information of the woman who you are supporting to run for your seat in the primary. If you are not supporting a woman for your seat, please leave this blank.**

Waiting for her to make a decision.

**(Name)**

**(Phone)**

**16. Please list your paid professional experience for the last six years. Indicate if it was full- or part-time.**

Attorney, 2012 - Present, Full and Part Time

Shelter From the Storm, Domestic Violence Attorney, Full Time

California Rural Legal Assistance, Civil Rights Attorney, Full Time

Gilbert & Bourke, Community Law Attorney, Full Time

Palm Springs Mayor, 2020 - 2021, Part Time

Palm Springs City Councilmember, 2017 - Present, Part Time

**17. Please list your present and past community involvement for the last six years:**

I serve on the board of directors for Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest, Planned Parenthood Action Fund of the Pacific Southwest, and Eastern Coachella Valley (ECV) for Change. I have also served on the Palm Springs Human Rights Commission and the City of Palm Springs Homelessness Task Force.

**18. Please list the present and previous elected office(s) that you have held:**

I first ran for city council in 2017 and I was elected as the youngest woman to our city council since 1950, the first openly bisexual councilmember, and the first millennial. I was re-elected in 2020, I gave birth two weeks before election day, and I became the first female mayor of our city, the first openly bisexual mayor in the nation, and I served as



mayor with a newborn.

Palm Springs Mayor, 2020-2021

Palm Springs City Council, 2017- Present

**19. Do you support the ERA?**

**YES**

NO

**20. Please list the following:**

**a. Committee name:**

Christy Holstege for Assembly 2022

**b. Campaign ID#:**

1439961

**c. Campaign mailing address:**

1787 Tribute Road, Suite K, Sacramento, CA 95815

**21. In the event that you are endorsed by the WPC, in addition to any monies that WPC should contribute to your campaign, we will also list you on our website. For this purpose we will require the following information:**

**Candidate campaign website:**

<https://www.christyholstege.com/>

**22. We can post a donation link during our zoom call. Please provide a link below. Many candidates provide a WPC specific link to track donations, and we welcome that if you choose to do so.**

**Campaign donation URL:**

<https://secure.actblue.com/donate/christy-holstege-for-assembly-2022-1>

**23. High resolution, chest up, vertical headshot. Please provide a “portrait” (vertical) chest up headshot. We use the headshot to showcase endorsed candidates on our website. Horizontal landscape headshots do not work. Please email this photo and your questionnaire to: tonidon@mac.com Photos must be 250 PX wide x 450 PX high at 72 PPI.**