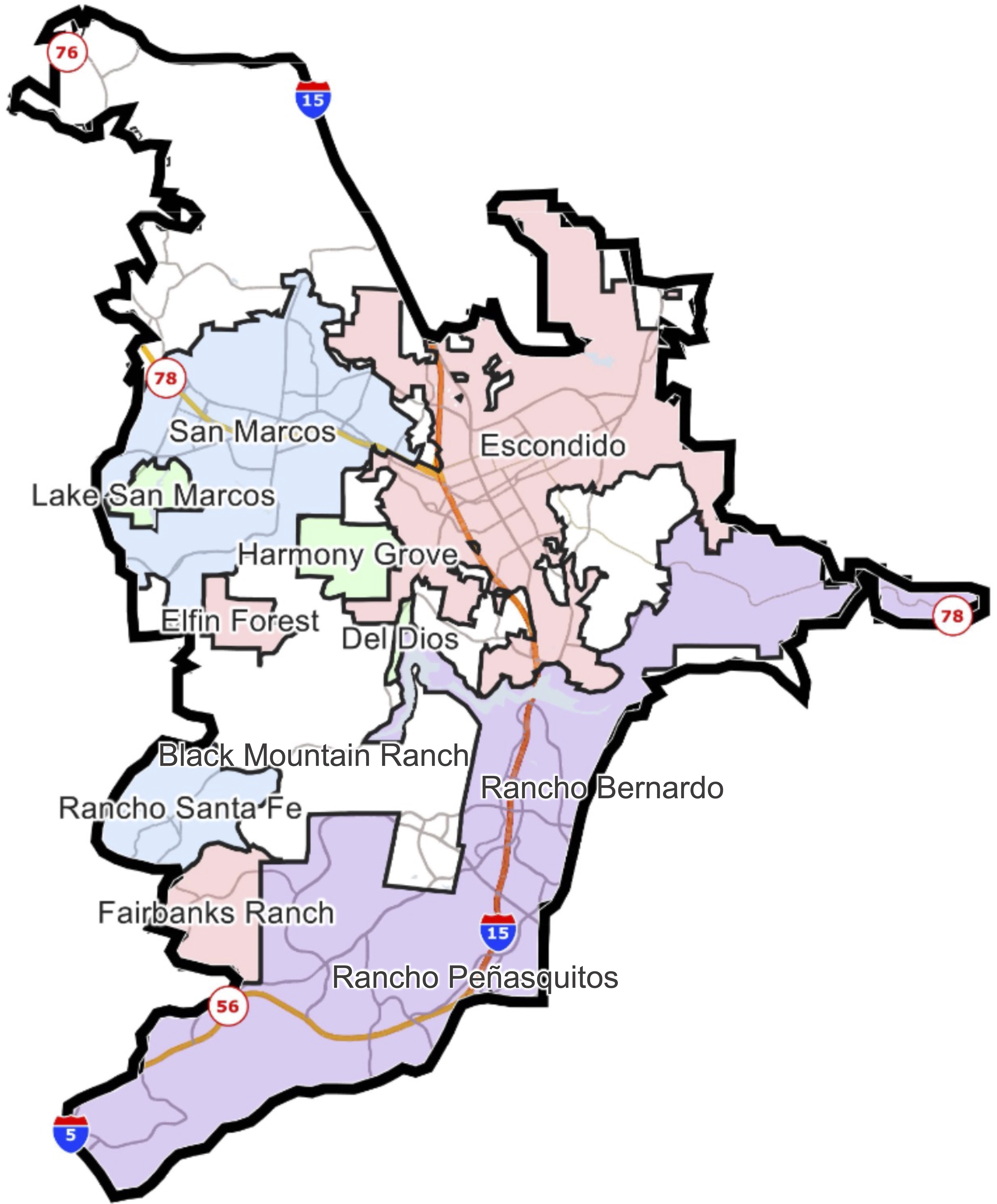
**WOMEN'S POLITICAL COMMITTEE – STATE PAC**

**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 Darshana Patel
2. Office Seeking Assembly District 76

(Please include the number of your district.)

1. Description of the District: (If you are seeking statewide office answer only section b.):
   1. 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.



This district was new in the 2022 election cycle. Southern portion including Rancho Bernardo, Rancho Peñasquitos, Torrey Highlands, Carmel Valley were part of 77, Northern portions of Escondido, San Marcos, Lake San Marcos were part of 75. \_\_\_\_\_

* 1. 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.

AD 76 is a suburban San Diego County seat with 471,670 total residents of which a plurality is Democratic voters. Democrats outnumber Republicans by a margin of 37.5% to 30.4%. Latino voters make up around 18% of total registration and AAPI voters make up just over 10%. PDI estimates that female voters outnumber males by a margin of 2.5%.   
In looking toward the March 2024 primary election, we estimate the district has 131,000 likely voters.

* 1. Past elections: How did your AD and SD vote for Governor and Controller in 2022? How did your AD and SD vote for President in 2020?

Joe Biden carried the current AD 76 by a margin of 16% in 2020, and Gavin Newsom carried the district by a margin of just under 2% in 2018. I can’t provide you with the 2022 overlap numbers at the moment because of the way San Diego County provides their statement of vote.

**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. 2024 cycle; March 5th Primary and November 5th General

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? Assembly Member Brian Maienschein, Democrat, pro-choice

6. Major Challenger: Primary – Joseph Rocha, General – Kristi Bruce-Lane

7. Campaign Team: Consultant: Overland Strategies, Derek Humphrey Fundraiser: Kelli Maruccia, KM Strategies Treasurer: River City Business Services

8. Fundraising:

* 1. How much money have you raised? (Please do not include pledges.) $13510
  2. How much do you need to raise? As much as possible. At least $150,000 by June, $600,000 for primary
  3. How much money are you allowed to raise if there are limits? $5500 per individual/PAC
  4. How much cash do you have on hand? $12719
  5. How much is a loan from you to the campaign? $0
  6. How much money has your major challenger(s) raised? NA

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

* 1. How much money have you raised this last reporting period? $13510
  2. How much money has your major challenger(s) raised in this last reporting period? NA
  3. If there is a voluntary spending cap will you take it, and what is the limit if you accept the cap? Yes, Primary - $727,000, General - $1,273,000

9. What is your campaign strategy (mail, media, etc.)? I plan to raise as much money as I can and build as broad a coalition of supporters as possible. Our campaign will have aggressive direct mail and digital ad programs over the final 7-9 weeks leading up to election day, and we’ll launch our field/voter contact program in the summer of 2023. We hope to spend between 75-80% of our total campaign budget on direct voter contact. Due to the cost of the television market, direct mail and digital ads will occupy most of the budget.

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

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

1. 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 X NO

1. A woman has the right to choose an abortion at any time during her pregnancy to protect her life and health. YES X NO
2. 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\_X\_ NO
3. 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 \_\_X NO

1. There should be public funding for family planning and abortion services. YES X\_ NO
2. There should be **no** waiting period to obtain an abortion. YES X\_\_\_ NO
3. We should have comprehensive and evidence-based (accurate) sex education. YES X NO
4. A minor should have access to abortion services without having to notify a parent or responsible adult. YES X 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.

* 1. State Assembly District # Name of Occupant

76 Brian Maienschein

* 1. State Senate District # Name of Occupant

38 Catherine Blakesphere (sliver) 40 Brian Jones (most)

* 1. Congressional District # Name of Occupant

50 Scott Peters (most) 51 Sara Jacobs (sliver, but my rep) 49 Mike Levin (small parts)

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

Congress:\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2020:\_Shrina Kurani\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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State Senate:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2022 Catherine Blakesphere\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Assembly: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2018 Sunday Gover, 2016 Melinda Vasquez \_\_\_\_\_

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Statewide Office:\_\_\_\_ Governor – Delaine Eastin\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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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: \_\_\_\_\_\_NA yet\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

State Senate: \_\_\_ NA yet\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

State Assembly:\_\_\_ NA yet\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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.

\_\_\_NA yet – working on it\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(Name) (Phone)

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

\_ Poway Unified School District Board of Education Trustee, part time\_\_\_\_

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

I am a vocal advocate of public education - the backbone of a strong democracy and gateway to opportunity and innovation. Additionally, I serve as:

* SD County School Boards Association President
* CA School Boards Association Delegate and Legislative Committee Member
* Commissioner on the CA Commission on APIA Affairs
* SD API Coalition Member
* Fleet Science Center Board Advisor
* SDPD Captain’s Advisory Board

My Democratic Party affiliations include:

* CDP Children’s, API, Women’s, Environmental Caucuses
* SD County Democratic Party Central Committee
* Founding member of the Rancho Peñasquitos Dem Club
* RB Dem Club, Escondido Dems, Escondido Young Dems, San Marcos Dems, Dems for Equality, API Dems, Women’s Dem Club, SD Dem Education Alliance, and Dems for Environmental Action

I have served on the following boards in the recent past

* Rancho Peñasquitos Town Council
* Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Board
* Park Village Elementary School Foundation
* Park Village Elementary School PTA
* Rancho Family YMCA Farmer's Market Committee

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

2015-2020 – Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Board

2016 –Poway Unified School District Board of Education

2020 – Poway Unified School District Board of Education re-election

19. Do you support the ERA? YES \_X\_\_ NO \_\_\_

20. Please list the following:

* 1. Committee name: Patel for Assembly 2024
  2. Campaign ID#: FPPC ID# 1457655
  3. Campaign mailing address:

River City Business Services

5445 Madison Avenue

Sacramento, CA 95841

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: PatelforAssembly.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.

WPC Campaign donation URL: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/wpcdp>

**23. High resolution, chest up, vertical headshot and Questionnaire.** 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 the questionnaire to me at Kipshome@gmail.com. Photos must be 250 PX wide x 450 PX high at 72 PPI.**

**24. Please provide your donation website for the use of our members.**

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