



November 3, 2020 Ballot Propositions and Candidate Recommendations. REVISION 3

You can find this at www.VAC.org

Rev 3 Changes: Added 15 Candidates that we had not reviewed before. Added commentary on Trump.

The first 3 pages are a Cheat Sheet that you can print and take with you to the voting booth, followed by a more detailed response for what and why. Your ballot may differ depending on which city you live in. When in doubt read the Candidate's "issues" statements then decide.

Do NOT Vote by mail if you can help it. If you do get a ballot by mail, then fill it out sign it and HAND deliver it to ANY voting center in person. If you have to send someone else to deliver it, make sure it's someone you trust and make sure you AND they sign the envelope as required or it will be tossed out. Note there is a Code on the envelope, use that to track your ballot after you hand it in so you can make sure it gets to where it needs to go.

I will be sending out updates so ideally, you'd WAIT till election day before voting in case we get updates e.g. if we are missing some candidates, or I learn new info and change my recommendations etc.

Proposition Title	VACaction Recommendation	Subject
Proposition 14	NO	Bonds
Proposition 15	NO	More taxes
Proposition 16	NO	Racism
Proposition 17	NO	Parolees vote
Proposition 18	NO	17 yr olds vote
Proposition 19	NO	Prop taxes
Proposition 20	YES	Crime
Proposition 21	NO	Rent Control
Proposition 22	YES	Uber/Lyft
Proposition 23	NO	Kidneys
Proposition 24	NO	Privacy
Proposition 25	NO	Bail
ALL City and County Ballot Measures A-T and RR	ALL NO except B - no recommendation on B	Bonds & Taxes

The VAC does not endorse any candidates; however, we do research candidates and determine how they align with Biblical Values compared to their opponents. I'm making use of the [Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women's Voter Guide](#) as a basis for this next part. The candidate that more closely aligns with our values are listed with a Green Bar. Note this does not indicate that ALL their values align, but rather a majority does and we think they will tend to legislate or govern in a better way. When none of the candidates align in any major way, or we are not sure of their other stances, what we consider a "Better Choice" is indicated with a Yellow Bar.

*If we don't have info and you are unsure of which candidate to vote for, the current and past Republican Party platforms align the most with Biblical Values. The current and past Democrat Party platforms actually lists and endorses most of the SINS from Romans 1 that God says will bring His **wrath** on people.*

Office	How they align with our values	Candidate
1020 President of the United States		DONALD J. TRUMP
1130 17th Congressional		RITESH TANDON
1140 18th Congressional	Better Choice	ANNA G. ESHOO
1150 19th Congressional		JUSTIN JAMES AGUILERA
1160 20th Congressional		JEFF GORMAN
1210 13th State Senate		ALEXANDER GLEW
1230 15th State Senate	Better Choice	ANN M. RAVEL
1250 17th State Senate		VICKI NOHRDEN
1300 24th Assembly		PETER OHTAKI
1310 25th Assembly		BOB BRUNTON
1320 27th Assembly		G. BURT LANCASTER
1330 28th Assembly		CARLOS RAFAEL CRUZ
1340 29th Assembly		SHOMIR BANERJEE
1370 30th Assembly		GREGORY SWETT
2624 Judge - Superior Court, Office #24	Better Choice	STUART J. SCOTT
3110 Board of Education TA #1, Governing Board		GRACE H. MAH
3141 Board of Education TA #4, Governing Board	Better Choice	LUCIA GARCIA

3150 Board of Education TA #5, Governing Board	Better Choice	ANNA E. SONG
3230 Gavilan Jt. CCD TA #4, Governing Board		MARK DOVER
3231 SJ - Evergreen CCD TA #1, Governing Board	Better Choice	BOB LIVENGOOD
3251 West Valley-Mission CCD TA #1, Governing Bd		PETER KUO
3351 San Jose Unified SD TA#1, Governing Board	Better Choice	ANTHONY MACIAS
3375 Santa Clara Unified SD TA #2, Governing Board	Better Choice	ALBERT GONZALEZ
3421 East Side Union High SD, Governing Board	Better Choice	BRYAN DO
3507 Alum Rock Union SD, Governing Board	Better Choice	BRENDA PINAL ZENDEJAS
3542 Cupertino Union SD, Governing Board		PHYLLIS VOGEL
4403 County Supervisor, District 3	Better Choice	KANSEN CHU
5021 City of Campbell, Council Member, District 1		TERRY HINES
5022 City of Campbell, Council Member, District 2	Better Choice	CAROL HOFFMAN
5040 City of Gilroy, Mayor		MARIE BLANKLEY
5045 City of Gilroy, Council Member		DANNY MITCHELL
5051 City of Los Altos, Council Member	Better Choice	LYNETTE LEE ENG
5072 Town of Los Gatos, Council Member		LARRY MAGGIO
5084 City of Milpitas, Council Member		BOB NUÑEZ
5086 City of Milpitas, Council Member		EVELYN CHUA
5090 City of Monte Sereno, Council Member		ROWENA TURNER
5106 City of Morgan Hill, Council Member, District A		GINO BORGIOLO
5204 City of San Jose Dist #4 Council	Better Choice	LAN DIEP
5206 City of San Jose Dist #6 Council	Better Choice	DEVORA "DEV" DAVIS
5236 City of Santa Clara, Member, City Council, D6		GAUTAM "GARY" BARVE
5245 City of Saratoga, Council Member		DOUG CASE
6023 Cupertino Sanitary, Director		JOYCE STANFORD

6026 El Camino Healthcare, Director		JOHN ZOGLIN
6054 Midpeninsula Open Space Ward 3, Director		ED RIFFLE
6057 SCV Open Space Authority District 1, Director		ROBERT HOWELL
6060 SCV Open Space Authority District 4, Director		JANIS JOYCE HAL

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www.VAC.org/signup1

Also, if you know Christians who don't think we should be involved in politics send them this book: www.J3ip.com

If you need a biblical response to Black Lives Matter that works to defuse situations: www.EveryBLM.org

The Details

Basic Principles:

Knowing these will allow you to easily vote in the future.

- ▶ Always apply Free Market Principles.
- ▶ Free Market: Government does NOT know better how to make deals between private parties. As long as rights are not being violated, government should stay out.
- ▶ No Crony Corporatism, watch out for rich businessmen pushing legislation that will give them an advantage over their competition.
- ▶ Governments role is to secure the rights we already have been given by God. Not to provide charity or negotiate contracts. They are to enforce contracts as long as those contracts do not violate people's rights.
- ▶ Government "Charity" wastes over 80% of what it takes in. Private Charity gives over 85% to those who need it? Thus, always vote **NO** for government "welfare".
- ▶ Christians and the Church are responsible for Charity not the government.
- ▶ Never invite the Government to meddle.
- ▶ Education is not a government function.
- ▶ Always vote for the lesser of two evils that can win especially when you are in a swing state.
- ▶ Lack of money is NOT the problem. Most schools, programs etc. waste massive amounts of money.
- ▶ If something in the public interest really needs new or more money – they must cut some waste elsewhere and use that money. Don't give them any more money. Hold them responsible for fixing it with the money they have. There's plenty of that already.
- ▶ BONDS = 2X or 3X a TAX A bond is borrowing on interest. What they are saying is: We have no money so we want to borrow it and then pay back 2x the amount of money that we don't have. Well if they have no money they need to cut back on some of their other waste.
- ▶ Any law that slows down legislators from adding more bad laws is good.
- ▶ Any law that creates more transparency in the Legislature is good.
- ▶ Any Law that reduces taxes for ANYONE is good. Even if it's Marijuana Seller. Why? Because we don't want government to think they can legalize vices that destroy our communities and gain tax money from them. What is the next thing they decide is a vice and plan to tax?
- ▶ You have no Constitutional Rights? Why because the Constitution doesn't give you any rights. Your rights come from the only person with authority to tell every human being to treat every other human being equally. Rights come from the Creator of all mankind. From God.

- ▶ Rights are things that God gives you. Like to be treated equally, freedom of speech, freedom to protect yourself and your property.
- ▶ Goods and services are not rights. Good and services are anything that require labor to produce. If you say a good or service like Healthcare is a right, then you have to ask where do you get the healthcare from? Do you enslave a bunch of Doctors and force them to give you healthcare? If you do you are taking away their rights.
- ▶ Government's job is to protect the rights that God gave us. Not to provide us with goods or services like food, housing, healthcare or such.
- ▶ Any law that gives a government you like more power is a law that will give people you don't like more power later. Always vote to reduce government power and authority except to protect rights.

For more detailed information on how to vote see:

<http://www.jesusinvolvedinpolitics.com/HowThenShallweVote.pdf>

Note: I'd rather you read each and every ballot, argue with your friends and then made your own decisions.

But the reality is that we have lives to live and don't always find this stuff interesting until it bites us.

But do consider that I may be wrong.... I don't think I am, but I could be.

If you have new info, a different perspective: Speak up. I've been known to change my mind for very coherent arguments. Email me at neil@vac.org

The Double Your Vote idea:

I want to introduce an idea that we are promoting on here at the VAC. It's called Double your vote.

You see this is not a battle between God hating left leaning socialists who hate God's laws and us. We don't need you to go out and argue and debate with a single non-Christian and convince them to vote for Godly values. Your battle is right here in the Churches across this great nation. Why do I say that?

You see, it turns out that there are about 60M Christians of voting age in America, 60 Million! and yet every election year we lose elections by about 3M to 10M votes. 3-10M....

But here's the problem. With 60M Christians in America ...

almost 40M of us don't vote. 40 Million.

Folks if just ¼ of those non-voting Christians voted and voted for Godly values, we'd win every election in every state in every year. It would be one thing if our nation was becoming Sodom because the evil doers were doing it and we were unable to stop them. But who do you think God will hold responsible if we could be stopping them and are not because we've been hiding in our homes.

You need to double your vote.

How do we change this? SIMPLE. If you are a Christian voter, you likely have many friends and family who already share your biblical values yet don't vote.

So double your vote.

Here's how you do that: Find just one Christian who doesn't vote. Help them register, use this to get a voter registration form: Biblical Voter. Then when their ballot arrives help them fill out their ballot for Godly things and for the lesser of all the evils who are running for office. If you aren't sure yourself, then attend our VAC Family nights where we will be discussing the ballot measurements (see first item). Or go back to Biblical Voter. Then take them to the polling booth to drop off the ballot or have them sign it on the back to allow you to drop it off (note - they must authorize you on the back of the envelope).

Would you commit yourself to finding and getting just one non-voting Christian to register for the election on Nov 3rd? And then making sure they vote for Godly things. Make a commitment right here and now.

We're asking Each One to Reach One; thereby Doubling your Vote.

In fact, forward this to your Christian friends.

Folks the only reason that Churches were hit with a \$25,000 fine this last weekend is because there aren't enough of us on the Board of Supervisors,

or the city council

or the school board

or the Capitol in Sacramento

or the Halls of Congress.

A friend committed suicide a month ago, he would not have had he been in church surrounded by his friends and support group. Do you think Church is important?

At the VAC family night 2020 we'll have a Psychologist talk about how the suicide rate is going up, how depression is going up, how death from other ailments are going up. Do you think Church is important?

Should we care who make our laws?

My dear friends, why aren't we the ones making the laws of this land. A land built on Judeo Christian Principles.

My brothers and sisters: The best part is this: You don't have to convince a single liberal friend that defunding the police is a bad idea, that abortion shouldn't be legal or to vote for the folks who will put prolife judges on the Supreme courts. You just have to encourage a friend who already is in agreement on those issues to take the next step and VOTE this fall.

Now go Double your vote. Make that commitment to find just 1 person. Email us.

Neil Mammen (from an idea by Anna Mammen).

The 2020 Propositions (the quick discussion)

1. **Proposition 14:** Issues \$5.5 billion in bonds for state stem cell research institute
In short: More borrowing for stem cell research
A bond is a double tax on the future. No more taxes.

Prop 14: No!

- a. Last time they borrowed 3B now they want 5.5B. They said that the 3B would be enough. No. We've had enough.
 - b. The Government should not be doing the research, if it's worth the money then let the VC's put the money in. The fact that they don't want to put the money in means it's a big boondoggle for friends of the government.
 - c. It has no ethical boundaries to not use murdered babies for research.
2. **Proposition 15:** Tax on Commercial and Industrial Properties for Education and Local Government Funding Initiative (2020)
In short: We want to stick it to you by sticking it to the small business owner who we think are rich so the bigger companies will have less competition.
No more taxes.

Prop 15: No!

If you raise property taxes on the small business, they'll either go out of business or raise their prices which will raise your prices which will lower your standard of living and the only people who will win are the rich and wealthy.
Businesses are already leaving CA. More will leave.

3. **Proposition 16:** A return to affirmative action
Government sanctioned racism. This is a very dangerous slope and minorities should be afraid of this. Right now, they are saying oh if we pass this then we can give minorities special preferences. But what if one day they change that and say well the precedence of the law says we can discriminate. So now we'll discriminate against Blacks. This law already discriminates against Asians.

Prop 16: No!

4. **Proposition 17:** Would allow parolees to vote.
There's a reason you lose your right to influence our laws when you are deemed a lawbreaker. Yes, there are unjustly convicted people and there are corrupt lawmakers. That a reason to FIX the law and capture those corrupt law makers, not make it worse. If anything, we need to be throwing more politicians in prison.

Prop 17: No!

5. **Proposition 18:** Would allow some 17-year-olds to vote if they turn 18 by the general election day.

Prop 18: No! Because it allows them to vote in a primary even if they are not 18 yet.

The age is 18. This is just a ploy to lower the voting age. Which by the way could back fire on them because they are killing their kids. But think, why would someone spend all that money to get this on the ballot box? What does it gain them? More government educated kids voting blindly. Then say No.

6. **Proposition 19:** Adding and subtracting property tax breaks
In short: Folks over 55 can buy a new house and keep their old property tax. But it cuts another tax.

Prop 19: No! Because it reduces a more important tax and if you look at it, it raises income to the state. That means someone is paying more. Ignore that the little candy: Oh, the tax goes to firefighters. They need to stop wasting our money and use the money they save for the firefighters.

7. **Proposition 20:** Tougher on parole, property crimes. Ever since they passed the laws that made it not a felony to steal anything under \$950, guess what all the crimes have been.

Prop 20: VOTE Yes!

8. **Proposition 21:** Rent control redux.

Prop 21: No! No socialism. Rent control has proven to decrease housing availability, dissuade more apartments from being built, and lead to slum lords. It's always a bad idea.

9. **Proposition 22:** Special workplace rules for the gig economy

Prop 22: VOTE Yes!

The statist socialists were beaten up by the Unions and some large companies to try and stop Uber and Lyft. Yes probably cab companies who got special licenses. They don't believe in the free market. Now Uber and Lyft are fighting back. It should be broader, but it's something.

10. **Proposition 23:** Kidney dialysis clinic rules revisited

Prop 23: No! This is Crony Capitalism. The government will only make treatment more expensive and this is basically the Union trying to kill off competition for hospitals. We should be making things cheaper and less regulated. If a clinic kills someone they should get sued that's it.

11. Proposition 24: New consumer privacy rules

These are always hard. I want to say No. keep the govt out of the mix as they just mess things up. But in some sense it tells corporations what they have to reveal. So that's good.

Still I'm saying **Prop 24: No!**

12. Proposition 25: Yes or no on cash bail

Prop 25: No! Because it asks us to toss out the age-old system and rely on an unelected unaccountable software programmer to write up a bail prediction system. Who died and made him Judge?

LOCAL PROPOSITIONS

ALL Local propositions (except B which is just a term limit proposition):

All these are Bonds and Taxes and fees. Just give us more money. Schools aren't even meeting nowadays. But they waste the money and ask for more, first the teachers don't get that money (I know...my wife is a public-school teacher on Sabbatical till we are done homeschooling our kids) and second they are using that money to make your kids anti-Americans. If not for schools, there's always some good cause. But the problem is not the cause. It's the socialists and greedy folks who are wasting that money. They need to live within their means like we have to.

Just say **All Local Props except B: No!**

Proposition B: A term limit proposition, No recommendation. If I lived in that city, I'd probably vote Yes.

Neil's personal commentary and opinions.

(not an official VAC recommendation).

The Prolife Cause and Trump vs Biden

Someone wrote this on Facebook (obviously copied from some echo chamber they were in): What has changed with abortions since Trump became president? Hmmm. I literally can't think of one good thing Trump has done." Others have tried to argue that Trump is not Prolife. Maybe he isn't. But let's look at his record.

1. Trump has appointed 2 prolife Supreme Court judges. All we need is one more (Judge Barrett) and we can overthrow Roe v Wade and pass a ruling on the sanctity of life. If Biden gets in, he'll replace RBG with a young person and it'll be another 20 years before we stop abortion and another 20M babies will be killed. Now you may think, well we have 5 on our side now. But if elected Biden says he'll try to "pack the court." What this means is that if he gets the Senate, he'd work with Congress to add 4 more Supreme Court judges and override the prolife judges. Yes, this can be done as the constitution does not specify how many judges are to be on the Supreme Court. This would also strip Americans of their God given rights as these unelected judges twist the laws on our books to their whims.
2. Trump has appointed over 200 other prolife jugdes all over the country and they've made their presence known.
3. He permitted states to defund Planned Parenthood of Title X Funds
4. He stopped tax dollars funding abortion overseas
5. He defunded the Pro-Abortion UNFPA which has been complicit in China's oppressive population control activities including coerced birth control and abortion.
6. He required health insurance companies to disclose if plans cover abortion so Christians could opt for a different provider.
7. He ended the Obama-enforced contraceptive mandate, which had forced corporations with religious objections from covering abortifacients in their health plans
8. He has made strong pro-life appointments starting with Vice President Pence, Kellyanne Conway, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, Dr. Ben Carson, and pro-life Kansas Governor Sam Brownback, who was appointed to a religious persecution watchdog post called "Ambassador for Religious Freedom."
9. He has also allowed states to defund Planned Parenthood of Medicaid funds
10. He cut Planned Parenthood's tax funding by up to \$60 Million
11. He allowed Texas to a fund a health program that does not send funds to abortion businesses
12. He took action against California for violating conscience protection.s
13. He clarified that Abortion is not a civil right.

This has all been clearly apparent and has been fought in the news. It's not like they've not been reporting this. So I'm surprised that you would ask "What has changed with abortions since Trump became president? Hmmm. I literally can't think of one good thing Trump has done."

Surely you see a lot has changed. He's changed more than Bush and Reagan did. Did abortions go down as a result? Well they've gone down in those areas where he's been able to change. But until we get the last SCOTUS Judge we can't change things in the liberal baby killing states.

Trump is a racist and never condemned the KKK.

He has done this numerous times: See

<https://www.christianpost.com/news/trump-condemns-kkk-white-supremacists-proud-boys.html>

From John MacArthur:

[F]rom certainly a biblical standpoint a Christian could not vote Democratic. because there's no way that a Christian can affirm the slaughter of babies, homosexual activity, homosexual marriage, or any kind of gross immorality. There is no way, we could stand behind a candidate who was affirming transgender behavior which of course is really the reprobate mind of Romans 1.

These things aren't even political for us. These things are biblical these things are laid down by the Word of God and we love God we desire to honor him and upholding righteousness in a society is what a church is supposed to do so I said any real true believer is going to be on your side in this election because it's not just an individual it's an entire set of policies that Christians cannot in any way affirm.

Politics is the topic among many people today and I suppose that's natural since it's such a huge part of media exposure and as you know I'm not one to talk about politics as such, but I was essentially amazed that one of the historic parties here in the United States [have specifically] adopted the sins of Romans 1 as their platform. [Going out of their way to do so.]

This is a new day in our country parties which used to differ on economics now differ dramatically on issues that invade the realm of God's laws and morality.

[T]heir platform would mean that the government passes out condoms so people can fornicate; and to those who happen to get pregnant in the process, the platform advocates that you kill the baby at the will of the mother up and including the ninth month. At the same time, it advocates homosexual marriage which is an oxymoron, an utter impossibility and a gross violation of the law of God. And then to add to that the murder of abortion. And then a platform originally left God out.

All of that is Romans 1. Romans 1 says God will judge and God has judged throughout human history nations that experience sexual freedom. Romans chapter 1 lays that out clearly [that] the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against those who advocate sexual freedom sexual conduct outside of marriage [Neil's note: And that's exactly what Christians who vote for Democrats are doing. Voting to promote and legalize the sin for Romans 1. Can you imagine that?]

[Worse] that's an indication of the demise of a nation and then Romans 1 also says that G will judge those nations that advocate homosexual behavior, men with men, women with women, doing what is unnatural. They are also haters of God, leaving God out, advocating abortion, advocating homosexuality, advocating free sexual conduct and government provided condoms; so that everybody can do what they want.

That is literally creating a platform out of what God hates.

This is not about politics, although there are things we could talk about. You're not voting for a pastor you're not voting for a spiritual leader; you're voting for [a group of people] who [have] some sense of morality since the bible says that the role of government is to punish evil doers and protect the good. You better have somebody in power who understands what is good and what is evil, and if you think homosexuality, abortion, sexual freedom, hating God are not evil then you better go back and check your Bible again. How can people with that kind of agenda protect those who do good and punish those who do evil ? That's Romans 13's definition of the role of government!

We could talk about foreign policy. Should we protect as many defenseless people from evil aggressors as possible? we could talk about economics? Is it right to get into irreparable debt? Is that responsibility? We could talk about that. We could talk about the economics, if you don't work, you don't eat.

Which is what the bible says. But we've seen something happening in these conventions that is just stunning the adaptation of a Romans 1 platform, sexual freedom, homosexuality on an equal level with marriage, the murder of infants and the elimination of God. And by the way I didn't like it any better when they put God back in, because that's blasphemy to connect God with that agenda. It is a horror.