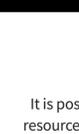


**BAY RISING ACTION BUILDS THE POWER OF COMMUNITIES OF COLOR  
BY WORKING WITH GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATIONS AND LEADERS  
WITH STRONG LOCAL ROOTS WHO ADVOCATE FOR OUR PRINCIPLES:**

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# BAY RISING ACTION

## JUNE 2018 VOTER GUIDE



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### ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY JUNE 5, 2018

It is possible to fully and reliably fund our schools, our libraries, and the world where all our communities can thrive. However, instead these resources are lining the pockets of millionaires, billionaires, and big corporations. That's why we support fair, equitable taxes—for budgets that ensure our children will inherit quality public education and public goods, no matter what they look like or where they come from.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA							
PROP	DESCRIPTION	SUMMARY	ANALYSIS	SUPPORTERS	OPPONENTS	POSITION	
68	Neighborhood Parks and Water Protection	Proposition 68 would authorize \$4 billion in general obligation bonds for state and local parks, environmental protection and restoration projects, water infrastructure projects, and flood protection projects. The measure would require that between 15 and 20 percent of the bond's funds, depending on the type of project, be dedicated to projects in communities with median household incomes less than 60 percent of the statewide average. The measure would also reallocate \$100 million in unissued bonds that voters approved via Proposition 1 (2014), Proposition 84 (2006), and Proposition 40 (2002).	This neighborhood parks and water protection measure is critical, especially now that funding from a 2014 measure is almost depleted. It prioritizes funding for "park-poor" neighborhoods and communities below a median income of about \$40,000. Bond measures are much better than regressive taxes and parks are one method in exacting environmental justice for our neighborhoods.	Governor Brown, Senator Kevin de León, CA Chamber of Commerce, CA Democratic Party, State Building & Construction Trades Council of CA, CA Council of Land Trusts, Environmental Defense Fund, Sierra Club, State Parks Foundation, The Trust for Public Land	Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Assoc.	YES	
69	Amendment to Transportation Taxes and Fees	Proposition 69 would require that revenue from the diesel sales tax and Transportation Improvement Fee (TIF) be dedicated for transportation-related purposes. As of 2018, the state constitution prohibited the legislature from using gasoline excise tax revenue or diesel excise tax revenue for general non-transportation purposes. The amendment would require the diesel sales tax revenue to be deposited into the Public Transportation Account, the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account, Proposition 69 does not contain a provision creating a constitutional mandate for zero-emission vehicles fee revenue. Proposition 69 would make revenue from SB 13 tax increases and fee schedules exempt from the state appropriations limit, also known as the Gann Limit.	Prop 69 is clean-up language to SB 1, which was also known as the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. SB 1 enacted an estimated \$5.2 billion-a-year increase in transportation-related taxes and fees. Prop 69 would require that any of the transportation revenue collected be used for transportation-related purposes, rather than sent back to taxpayers under the controversial "Gann limit." The "Gann limit" has forced California to refuse billions of dollars for necessary repairs while decimating our education budget. The roads in our communities are in terrible condition and we should prioritize the repairs that help our communities get to our daily needs like job opportunities, school, and medical appointments. We should also seek other transportation solutions, like reliable, affordable, green public transit that serves working communities and communities of color.	Association of California Water Agencies, The Trust for Public Land, City of Alameda, City of Albany, City of Modesto, League of Women Voters, City of Martinez, City of El Cerrito, TransForm, City of San Pablo, City of San Rafael, City of Santa Cruz, City of Suisun City, California State Conference NAACP, Congress of California Seniors, CalAsian Chamber of Commerce, California Chamber of Commerce, California League of United Latin American Citizens, San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District, Sonoma County Transportation Authority, Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District (SMART)	Sen. John Moorlach, Rep. Frank Bigelow	YES	
70	Corporate-led Attack on Clean Energy Funds	Proposition 70 would require a one-time two-thirds vote in each chamber of the California State Legislature to use the funds from the State Air Resources Board's auctioning or sale of greenhouse gas emissions allowances under the state's cap-and-trade program. To make sure no revenue is spent without the two-thirds vote, the measure would place all revenue from the cap-and-trade program in a Greenhouse Gas Reduction Reserve Fund beginning on January 1, 2024. The vote would take place anytime on or after January 1, 2024.	Proposition 70 is a corporate-led attack on climate action in California. If passed, it would seize funding used for neighborhood projects that save families money on their energy bills, transform gray concrete into tree-lined blocks, build permanently affordable housing, improve the health of working communities of color, and more. Prop 70 would lead to budget gridlock, undermine California's progress on climate change and clean air, and increase the power of corporate interests.	California Chamber of Commerce, California Republican Party	Coalition for Clean Air, Democratic Party, APEN, CEJA	NO	
71	Better Start Date for Ballot Measures	Proposition 71 would move the effective date of ballot propositions to the fifth day after the secretary of state certifies election results, rather than the day after the election. As of 2018, the secretary of state was required to certify election results no later than the 38th day after the election.	Prop 71 is a "good government" bill. Both parties support it. This measure gives more time for all votes to be counted, which supports an inclusive and participatory democracy where everyone has a voice.	LA Times, SF Chronicle, Mercury News, California Democratic Party, California Republican Party	None to date	YES	
72	Support for Home Rainwater Collection	Proposition 72 would allow the California State Legislature to include rainwater capture systems added to properties after January 1, 2019 from counting as new construction. This measure would mean that the taxable value of a property would not increase when a property owner adds a rainwater capture system. The implementing legislation for Proposition 72 is Senate Bill 558 (SB 558). SB 558 received bipartisan support in both chambers of the California State Legislature, with no legislators voting against the bill. Gov. Brown signed the bill into law on January 31, 2018, and the bill will only go into effect if voters approve Proposition 72. This bill includes a sunset clause for when the tax exclusion expires.	Rainwater capture systems can be important tools for protecting the sustainability of clean and safe drinking water, especially in a state where we continue to live under the threat of drought. However, we must continue to be vigilant about equitable contributions to measures that affect public funding and who they benefit.	California Chamber of Commerce, California Democratic Party, League of California Cities, Save the Bay, Mercury News	None to date	YES	

REGIONAL MEASURE							
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3	"Unfair Bay Area Toll Measure" (Bay Area Traffic Relief Plan)	This measure includes \$4.5 billion in transportation improvements across the nine-county region and includes increasing bridge toll by \$1 every 3 years, until 2025.	On the face of this measure it seems that our communities would benefit greatly with improvements to our education budget. The roads in our communities are in terrible condition and we should prioritize the repairs that help our communities get to our daily needs like job opportunities, school, and medical appointments. We should also seek other transportation solutions, like reliable, affordable, green public transit that serves working communities and communities of color.	Bay Area Council, Silicon Valley Leadership Group, and SPUR	Contra Costa Rep Mark DeSaulnier and Assemblyman Tim Grayson	NO	

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO							
MEASURE	NAME	ANALYSIS	SUPPORTERS	OPPONENTS	POSITION		
A	Public Utilities Revenue Bonds	Authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to issue revenue bonds for facilities that produce and deliver clean power (when approved by ordinance receiving a 2/3 vote of the Board of Supervisors). Allows the PUC to incorporate solar electricity, storage, electric vehicle chargers and other grid-connected assets.	San Francisco League of Pissed Off Voters, Supervisor Katy Tang, Supervisor Aaron Peskin	No organizational opponents found to date	NO POSITION		
B	Prohibiting Appointed Commissioners from Running for Office	Amends the City Charter to provide that appointed members of boards and commissions under the Charter forfeit their offices upon filing a declaration of candidacy for state or local elective office.	San Francisco League of Pissed Off Voters, Supervisor Aaron Peskin	No organizational opponents found to date	NO POSITION		
C	"Universal Child Care" (Additional Tax on Commercial Rents to Fund Child Care and Education)	Raises \$150 million a year for universal child care to help San Franciscans families. Ultimately, this helps working families be able to afford staying in our city, raise wages for child care workers, expand access to free child care through stipends, as well as clear low-income child care waitlists. There is a small business exemption for commercial property owners who earn less than \$1,000,000 in gross receipts annually.	Children's Council San Francisco, Democratic Socialists of America, SF Chapter, San Francisco Child Care, Providers' Association, San Francisco Labor Council, San Francisco Women's Political Committee, SEIU Local 1021, SF Berniercats	The Edwin M. Lee Asian Pacific Democratic Club, The SF Chronicle, The SF Republican Party, San Francisco League of Pissed Off Voters, Committee for an Affordable San Francisco, No on Propositions C and D	YES		
D	Additional Tax on Commercial Rents Mostly to Fund Housing and Homelessness Services	Raises \$70 million a year to build housing for households earning up to \$123,000-\$240,000 per year and resources for Dept. of Homelessness and Supportive Housing. Contains a "poison pill" so that if this measure passes with more votes than "Universal Child Care" measure, then it will "kill" the Child Care measure.	Supervisor London Breed, The Edwin M. Lee Asian Pacific Democratic Club, The SF Chronicle, The SF League of Conservation Voters, YIMBY Action, San Francisco League of Pissed Off Voters	Harvey Milk LGBTQ Democratic Club, The SF Republican Party, SEIU Local 1021, SF Berniercats, Committee for an Affordable San Francisco, No on Propositions C and D	NO POSITION		
E	Prohibiting Tobacco Retailers from Selling Flavored Tobacco Products	Amends the Health Code to prohibit tobacco retailers from selling flavored tobacco products, including menthol cigarettes.	American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, American Heart Association, American Lung Association, American Medical Association, Asian American Research Center on Health, Japanese Community Youth Council, Mission Neighborhood Health Center, NCCOS Chinese Health Coalition, San Francisco Asthma Task Force, San Francisco Bay View, Asian Youth Prevention Services, Vietnamese Youth Development Center, The SF Chronicle, San Francisco Labor Council, African American Tobacco Control Leadership Council, Tobacco Awareness Project at UCSF School of Pharmacy, San Francisco Berniercats, San Francisco, Latino Democratic Club, San Francisco League of Pissed Off Voters, San Francisco Women's Political Committee, San Francisco Young Democrats, and more	No on Prop E- Committee major funding from R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company	NO POSITION		
F	"Tenant Right to Counsel" (City-Funded Legal Representation for Residential Tenants in Eviction Lawsuits)	Will provide legal representation for tenants facing eviction from their home. Currently, in eviction proceedings in San Francisco, most tenants have no legal representation. If passed, San Francisco will become the 2nd city in the nation, and the first in California, to guarantee a right to counsel to tenants facing eviction from their home.	SF Tenants Union, Alliance of Californians for Community Empowerment (ACCCE), Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Asian Law Caucus, Black Young Democrats of San Francisco, Causa Justa Just Cause, California Nurses Association, Coalition on Homelessness, Dolores Street Community Services, Housing Rights Committee SF, Jobs with Justice San Francisco, SF Berniercats, Democratic Socialists of America, SF Chapter, SF Green Party, SF Labor Council, San Francisco Latino Democratic Club, San Francisco Progressive Alliance, San Francisco Women's Political Committee (SFWPC), San Francisco League of Pissed Off Voters, SEIU 1021, SEIU 2015, Senior and Disability Action, Sierra Club, San Francisco Bay Area, South of Market Community Action Network (SOMCAN), Tenderloin Housing Clinic, UNITE HERE Local 2, United Educators of San Francisco and more	City Democratic Club	YES		
G	"Living Wage for SF Teachers" (Parcel Tax for San Francisco Unified School District)	Will raise \$50 million a year to ensure San Francisco Unified School District can attract and retain quality teachers and staff. Gives teachers a pay raise so they can continue to live and teach in SF. Establishes a \$298 parcel tax for teacher pay that will adjust with inflation each year for the next 20 years.	San Francisco League of Pissed Off Voters, Democratic Socialists of America, SF Chapter, Anti-Eviction Mapping Project, The SF Chronicle, SF Berniercats	No organizational opponents found to date	YES		
H	Policy for the Use of Tasers by San Francisco Police Officers	A measure funded by the Police Officers Association, which results in lessening rules and regulations on how and when tasers should be used. Given cases where tasers have killed people, we believe that there should be more restrictions on using tasers, not less.	Safe Neighborhoods for All (Sponsored by the SF Community Alliance for Jobs and Housing and the San Francisco Police Officers Association)	No on Prop H Committee (Sponsored by ACLU of Northern California), San Francisco League of Pissed Off Voters, Democratic Socialists of America, SF Chapter, San Francisco Police Chief Bill Scott	NO		
I	Relocation of Professional Sports Teams	This measure would adopt a policy that the City will not invite or encourage the relocation of any professional sports team that has previously established itself in another municipality.	Good Neighbor Coalition, San Francisco League of Pissed Off Voters, Yes on I, Keep the Warriors in Oakland sponsored by Direct Help	No organizational opponents found to date	NO POSITION		

ALAMEDA COUNTY							
MEASURE	NAME	ANALYSIS	SUPPORTERS	OPPONENTS	POSITION		
A	Alameda County Childcare and Early Education Initiative	Alameda County is facing a childcare crisis. The average cost of childcare is nearly 25% of family income, and many families cannot afford childcare or spend years on waiting lists. Measure A will provide local children with the best caregivers as well as add thousands of spaces for safe, affordable, quality childcare and preschool for low- and middle-income families.	Parent Voice, SEIU 521, SEIU 1021, SEIU International Union	No organizational opponents to date	YES		
D	City of Oakland Parcel Tax for Library Services	Many different communities rely heavily on library services and would benefit from the improvements. There is an annual deficit of more than \$2 million and a shortfall from a previous bond. Measure Q, Seniors and low income people will get a waiver for the new tax. While the library is important, there are many local taxes that burden residents, we need long term, stable funding that is sourced equitably.	Councilman Noel Gallo, SEIU 1021	No organizational opponents to date	NO POSITION		

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY							
MEASURE	NAME	ANALYSIS	SUPPORTERS	OPPONENTS	POSITION		
E	Richmond Kids First - Funding for Youth Services	Kids First would ensure that Richmond's youth are healthy, educated, and happy in stable families and communities. The Richmond Kids First initiative would create a dedicated funding source from the City's general fund and a strong oversight board to support expanded services for young people up to 18 years old and their caregivers, and for disconnected young adults in need. Measure E would fund programs in violence prevention and response; education and job training; parent/guardian support; media arts, culture and technology education; youth and family leadership; community organizing and civic engagement; health and well-being; outdoor education and recreation; environmental health and justice; and immigration support. The Kids First initiative was drafted with input from local youth and youth-serving organizations and modeled after similar funds in San Francisco and Oakland.	RYSE, SEIU Local 1021, APEN, ACEE and elected leaders including County Supervisor John Gioia and Richmond Vice-Mayor Melvin Willis	No organizational opponents to date	YES		
K	Richmond Kids First Amendment - Guidelines	This charter amendment adds strong, common-sense guidance to Kids First. The amendment would remove the restriction on how much funding the City of Richmond can receive as well as the requirement that the City must partner with a non-profit; add a new requirement that the dedicated funding set aside only occurs after the passage of a general tax measure which increases revenues to the City; and delay the start date for the funding set aside until July 2021, or one fiscal year after the passage of a general tax measure, if no tax measure is passed by December 2020.	See above	No organizational opponents to date	YES		

### ENDORSEMENTS

Bay Rising Action is proud to endorse candidates that are strongly rooted in our communities and who are leaders in the fight for social justice, who have stood with our communities to build and grow without displacement, to support workers and the right to a fair wage and safe working conditions, to support public education for all students, to fight against the criminalization of black and brown communities and to fight to protect our water, air and land from devastation. Each of the following candidates have agreed to meet with Bay Rising Action if elected, to work with us and to build our communities together and to be accountable to the most marginalized people.

**KEY:** June Vote November Vote

CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY		
ELECTED OFFICE	ENDORSEMENT	DESCRIPTION
California Assembly Representative	Jovanka Beckles	

ALAMEDA COUNTY		
ELECTED OFFICE	ENDORSEMENT	DESCRIPTION
Alameda County District Attorney	Pamela Price	District attorneys, or "DAs" for short, are elected officials who have the power to end mass incarceration. If someone is accused of committing a crime, DAs alone decide who could receive a jail or prison sentence and who will instead be routed into a diversion program to help rebuild their life, or have charges dismissed. DAs are public servants who do not only work in courtrooms, but also affect your day-to-day life by supporting or opposing statewide policies and deciding how to spend public money. Pamela Price is a graduate of Oakland Rising's Lead East Bay leadership development program and a longtime civil rights attorney who is well-equipped to serve as Alameda County's DA. Learn more about DAs: meetyourda.org
Alameda Sheriff	No Vote	Bay Rising Action recommends no vote. Sheriff Ahern has repeatedly put our communities at risk by endorsing the sheriff's department and ICE and hosting U.S. Shield. Let's send Ahern a strong message that we do not support his approach by withholding our vote.
Oakland City Council District 2	Nikki Fortunato Bas	
Oakland School Board District 4	Clarissa Douthard	
Berkeley Rent Board Commissioner	Maria Poblet	

SAN FRANCISCO		
ELECTED OFFICE	ENDORSEMENT	DESCRIPTION
Mayor	Jane Kim, Mark Leno	We believe in a San Francisco for all of us. <b>Join SF Rising Action Fund in supporting Jane Kim and Mark Leno for your top two choices for Mayor!</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jane Kim has a proven track record as a SF Supervisor and former Board of Education member. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Won free City College</li> <li>Created the most affordable housing out of any Supervisor.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Mark Leno has a proven track record as a State Senator and a former SF Supervisor. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Authored the state-wide \$15/hr minimum wage law</li> <li>Created the first law to mandate affordable housing in new developments</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>To learn more about how ranked-choice voting works, visit <a href="http://fairvote.org">fairvote.org</a>.</p>

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