



2018 Candidate Questionnaire - House

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Office for which you are running: 1st Congressional District, Wisconsin

Date of Election: Primary, August 14th General, November 6th

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Progressive Democrats of America (PDA) was founded in 2004 to transform the Democratic Party and our country. We seek to build a party and government controlled by citizens, not corporate elites - with policies that serve the broad public interest, not just private interests. As a grassroots PAC, PDA operates inside the Democratic Party, and outside in movements for peace and justice.

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The Congressional Progressive Caucus

Do you pledge, if elected to this office, to immediately join the Congressional Progressive Caucus?

Yes

The Congressional Progressive Caucus PAC has endorsed me in this as have several members of the Progressive Caucus, including Co-Chair Mark Pocan, Barbara Lee, Gwen Moore, Jan Schakowsky, Ruben Gallego, Joe Kennedy III, Ted Lieu, and Senate Member Bernie Sanders.

Lobbyist

Do you pledge, if elected to this office, to NOT become a paid lobbyist for at least 5 years after you leave Congress?

Yes

PDA Issues

PDA focuses on fundamental issues of concern to voters. The questions are grouped, but all issues are equally important. Your answers to the questions below will be used to help determine whether to endorse you in the race for this office.

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Notice to Candidate:

The questions below refer to legislation introduced by bill number in the 115th Congress. By checking YES as your answer, you pledge that, if elected, you will immediately co-sponsor the reintroduced version of these bills in the 116th Congress.

Presidential Fitness

H.R. 1987 To establish the Oversight Commission on Presidential Capacity, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep. Jamie Raskin

Yes

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Healthcare:

Millions of Americans have no reliable access to health care and millions more have inadequate or overly expensive coverage. Despite spending twice as much as other developed nations on health care, our system performs poorly. Private U.S. insurance gatekeepers soak up one-third of expenditures. Pharmaceutical interests overcharge Americans by avoiding price competition.

H.R. 676 Expanded and Improved Medicare for All Act
Sponsor: Rep. John Conyers

Yes

H.R. 771 Equal Access to Abortion Coverage in Health Insurance
Sponsor: Rep. Barbara Lee

Yes

H.R. 242 Medicare Prescription Drug Price Negotiation Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Peter Welch

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Yes

H.R. 1776 Improving Access to Affordable Prescription Drugs
Sponsor: Rep. Jan Schakowsky

Yes

H.R. 947 Family and Medical Insurance Leave Act (The Family Act) of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Rosa DeLauro

Yes

H.R. 934 Personal Drug Importation Fairness Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Keith Ellison

Yes

War and Peace

Terrorism should be treated as a crime, not as a pretext for war and global military expansion. Nuclear weapons are too dangerous to serve the strategic interests of any country and must be abolished. Initiatives to

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promote peace, disarmament, and the rule of international law will allow the US military budget to return to the 1998 peacetime level. We must bring our troops home to their families and redirect wasteful military spending to reinvest in America.

H.R. 1111 Department of Peacebuilding Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Barbara Lee

Yes

H.R. 1229 Repeal of the Authorization for Use of Military Force
Sponsor: Rep. Barbara Lee

Yes

H.R. 608 Stop Arming Terrorists Act
Sponsor: Rep. Tulsi Gabbard

Yes

H.R. 4867 No Unconstitutional Strike against North Korea Act
Sponsor: Rep. Ro Khana

Yes

H.R. 669 Restricting First Use of Nuclear Weapons Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Ted Lieu

Yes

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Global Warming/The Environment

Environmental degradation and global warming threaten human civilization. Science conclusively demonstrates that global warming results from human activity. Greed and corporate power dominate US policy imposing a nearsighted focus on short term profits instead of serving the welfare of future generations of Americans

H.R. 3671 Off Fossil Fuels for a Better Future Act (OFF Act)
Sponsor: Rep. Tulsi Gabbard

Yes

H.R. 2014 Tax Pollution Not Profits Act
Sponsor: Rep. John Delaney

Yes

H.R. 3314 100 by '50 Act
Sponsor: Rep. Jared Polis

Yes

H.R. 2242 Keep it in the Ground Act
Sponsor: Rep. Jared Huffman

Yes

Election Integrity:

Big-money domination threatens our election system. Incumbents are unfairly insulated by district gerrymandering. Voters face political and racial obstacles to voting and getting their votes counted. Digital voting systems and internet voting are vulnerable to error and manipulation and defy verification. Only an auditable paper ballot can protect our right to vote.

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HR 2840 Automatic Voter Registration Act
Sponsor: Rep. David Cicilline

Yes

HJ Res. 74 Constitutional Right to Vote
Sponsor: Rep. Mark Pocan

Yes

HR 1044 Same Day Registration Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Keith Ellison

Yes

HR 607 The Voter Access Protection Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Keith Ellison

Yes

H.R. 12 Voter Empowerment Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. John Lewis

Yes

H.R. 787 Streamlined and Improved Methods at Polling Locations and Early (SIMPLE) Voting Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Steve Cohen

Yes

Economic and Social Justice:

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The enormous wealth disparity between the top 1% and the rest of America is an unsustainable economic and social injustice. Will you work for an economic recovery that employs all those willing and able, that houses all those needing shelter, and that imposes the cost based on the ability to pay.

H.R. 1144 Inclusive Prosperity Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Keith Ellison

Yes

H.R. 15 Raise The Wage Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Robert C. "Bobby" Scott

Yes

H.R. 1000 Jobs For All Act
Sponsor: Rep. John Conyers

Yes

H.R. 1902 Social Security Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. John Larson

Yes

H.R. 1114 Social Security Expansion Act
Sponsor: **Rep. Peter DeFazio**

Yes

H.R. 40 Commission to Study Reparation Proposals for African Americans Act
Sponsor: Rep. John Conyers

Yes

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H.R. 4396 ME TOO Congress Act
Sponsor: Rep. Jackie Speier

Yes

H.R. 4152 Fair Employment Protection Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Rosa DeLauro

Yes

Do you support, and would you pledge to author and introduce legislation in the House of Representatives identical to current Senate bill as shown below:

S.2165 The Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands Equitable Rebuild Act
Sponsor: Sen. Bernie Sanders

Yes

Do you support, and would you pledge to author and introduce legislation in the House of Representatives identical to current Senate bill as shown below:

S.2095 Assault Weapons Ban of 2017
Sponsor: Sen. Dianne Feinstein

Yes

EMERGENCY AID FOR NATURAL DISASTERS

The climate change-intensified natural disasters of 2017 have laid bare the federal government's current response as both politicized and racist. How would you

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identify and legislatively fix underlying structural flaws in federal disaster relief and preparedness funding to ensure more timely, equitable, a effective federal responses to future events? (No more than 250 words)

To start, our federal government needs to acknowledge that climate change is man made and support proactive strategies to reduce its effects, such as those outlined in the Off Fossil Fuels for a Better Future Act, Keep it in the Ground Act, and 100 by 50 Act. When natural disasters do occur, we can avoid the horse trading over federal disaster relief funds by ensuring FEMA is properly funded from the get go. Rather than allocating funds based on the the average annual cost of past catastrophes, we should acknowledge that the increasingly devastating effects of climate change require us to budget for a minimum of two to three "catastrophic events" each year. We should also provide incentives to local governments to strengthen their emergency preparedness efforts, so that local buildings, roads, bridges and utilities are better fortified before a disaster hits.

Corporate Rule

Big corporations and banks dominant our political process, spending billions to lobby for programs against the public interest, and to privatize public services for profit. This erodes the middle class, destroys vital services, increases poverty, and undermines our nation. Congress must work to return our government to the people, improve services, stand up to corporate lobbyists, and stop the privatization of public services. We need a constitutional amendment to establish that corporations are not people and that money does not equal speech.

H.R. 2585 21st Century Glass-Steagall Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Michael Capuano

Yes

HJ Res 88 Constitutional Amendment to regulate corporations
Sponsor: Rep. Jim McGovern

Yes

HJ Res 31 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections

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Sponsor: Ted Deutch

Yes

Mass Criminalization

The United States houses 25% of the world's inmates despite having only 5% of the world's population. The prison industrial complex has a vested interest in keeping people locked up. The growth of private, for-profit prisons has placed incarceration beyond public view. The administration of justice system is prejudiced against the poor and minorities.

H.R. 3227 Justice Is Not For Sale Act
Sponsor: Rep. Raul Grijalva

Yes

H.R. 1498 End Racial Profiling Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. John Conyers

Yes

H.R. 65 Youth Prison Reduction through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support and Education (RAISE Act)
Sponsor: Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee

Yes

Equality Issues

The belief in equality, including religious equality, is a part of the founding documents of our nation and an important part of our national identity.

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Equality still has not been achieved by most groups in this country. We hope and expect that our endorsed Candidates will sponsor, co-sponsor, and/or support legislation that furthers the reach of equality to any and all groups seeking equal status.

HJ Res 53 Removing the deadline for the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment
Sponsor: Rep. Jackie Speier

Yes

H.R. 1869 Paycheck Fairness
Sponsor: Rep. Rosa DeLauro

Yes

H.R. 489 No Religious Registry Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Suzan DelBene

Yes

Immigration

We strongly support Comprehensive Immigration Reform that promotes fairness, equality, labor rights, family unification, integration, a program for legal residency and a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants.

H.R. 3440 Dream Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard

Yes

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H.R. 1036 American Families United Act
Sponsor: Rep. Beto O'Rourke

Yes

H.R. 1006 To clarify the rights of all persons who are held or detained at a port of entry or at any detention facility overseen by U.S. Customs and Border Protection or U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.
Sponsor: **Rep.** Pramila Jayapal

Yes

Education

Education in the USA is unaffordable for the majority of Americans. The securitization of student debt has placed our students at the mercy of corporate predators. Minorities are denied equal access to education. We work to make our education system accessible and affordable to all.

H.R. 1880 College For All Act
Sponsor: Rep. Pramila Jayapal

Yes

H.R. 3630 Student Loan Borrowers' Bill of Rights Act of 2017
Sponsor: Rep. Frederica Wilson

Yes

General

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Please provide us with information in the sections provided below, some information about your campaign:

- Your campaign plan with some *detail*

We are building a strong team of activists across the district, we recently launched our County Captain Program. This program is made up of 220 residents in every area of the district to host canvassing and phone banking for our thousands of volunteers that have signed up through our website. We recently went on air with our first TV spot, earlier than any campaign in the race. We have a robust text program, for our event with Bernie Sanders we sent personalized texts to 39,000 residents around the Racine area. We will win this race because this is a campaign powered by passionate activists from all across the country and the district.

- Your capacity to raise the necessary capital to fund the campaign,

We have raised nearly \$5 million so far with a goal of raising \$25 million. We have been able to expand our donor base beyond our district by highlighting what unseating Paul Ryan would mean to working people. In his 20 years in Congress he has only sought to serve the rich and corporate interests.

- grassroots support

I have received the following endorsements,

Elected Officials

Senator Bernie Sanders (D-VT)

Congressman Ruben Gallego (D-AZ)

Congressman Joe Kennedy (D-MA)

Congresswoman Barbara Lee (D-CA)

Congressman Ted Lieu (D-CA)

Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D-WI04)

Congressman Mark Pocan (D-WI02)

Congressman Dave Obey (ret. D-WI07)

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Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky (D-IL)
Congressman Mark Takano (D-CA)
Wisconsin State Senator Tim Carpenter
Wisconsin State Senator Chris Larson
Wisconsin State Senator Bob Wirch
Wisconsin State Representative Mandela Barnes (ret.)
Wisconsin State Representative Jonathan Brostoff
Wisconsin State Representative David Crowley
Wisconsin State Representative Evan Goyke
Wisconsin State Representative Greta Neubauer
Wisconsin State Representative Tod Ohnstad
Wisconsin State Representative Daniel Riemer
Wisconsin State Representative Christine Sinicki
Wisconsin State Representative Robert Turner (ret.)
Wisconsin State Representative JoCasta Zamarripa
Milwaukee County Clerk George Christenson
Milwaukee County Clerk Joseph Czarneski (ret.)
Milwaukee County District Attorney John Chisholm
County Supervisor Leah Blough
County Supervisor Andy Berg
County Supervisor Rick Dodge
County Supervisor Boyd Frederick
County Supervisor Ronald Frederick
County Supervisor Mike Goebel
County Supervisor Jason Haas
County Supervisor Dave Homan
County Supervisor Edward Kubicki
County Supervisor Marcelia Nicholson
County Supervisor Peggy West

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Kenosha Alder Dave Paff
Muskego-Norway School Board Thomas Ralston (ret.)
Oak Creek Mayor Dan Bukiewicz
Racine Alder Jason Meekma
Racine Alder Mary Land
Racine Alder Tracey Larrin
Racine Alder John Tate II
Somers Village Board Joe Cardinali
South Milwaukee School Board Doug Perry

Organizations

American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees
Blue America
Common Defense
Congressional Progressive Caucus PAC
Democracy for America
End Citizens United
International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers
NARAL Pro-Choice America
National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare
National Nurses United
Wisconsin State Association of Letter Carriers
Progressive Change Campaign Committee
Service Employees International Union
Social Security Works
The International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental and
Reinforcing Iron Workers
United Auto Workers
United Food and Commercial Workers
Vote Vets

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Working Families Party

- your campaign staff in place

David Keith - Campaign Manager

Robert Hansen - Deputy Campaign Manager

Lauren Hitt - Communications Director

Nate Rifkin - Digital Director

Julia Chiacchiere - Finance

Jonathan Ronayne - Finance

Jenna Wirkus - Digital

John Tate II - Field Organizer/Treasurer

Jill Huennekens - Field Organizer

Thank you for all you do to advance progressive causes. For further information on policy positions, please visit my website, <https://www.randybryceforcongress.com/> and click the issues tab. I have been rolling out my campaign platform for the past several weeks, so be sure to check back for updates.



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Signature of Candidate

Date

**Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.
We believe that an informed electorate is
the greatest assurance of a strong democracy.**

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