



The Libertarian Party of Santa Clara County's

# Official Voters Guide

# 2018 General Election

November 6, 2018



# Letter from the Chair

Greetings,

The number one right in America, the most valued right as a citizen of this free country, is the **Right to Vote**. Reading this voter guide, regardless of what registered party you may be affiliated, proves you are a person who takes voting serious, that you are dedicated to be an informed voter, and you value your responsibility to vote for the direction and priorities of your community.

The values that motivate the following guide are founded in the securing of liberty in the United States of America, in California, and most especially, in Santa Clara County. The Libertarian Party (LP) was founded in 1971, and is the third largest political party in the United States. The LP seeks to expand personal freedoms, dramatically reduce taxes and government interference in the economy, and avoid meddling in overseas conflicts. Locally, the party strives to re-establish accountability within our elected officials and to find meaningful and sustainable solutions to the most difficult problems our communities face.

The Libertarian Party of Santa Clara County is honored to have your attention as a trusted informational source for local politics. We strongly encourage you to **vote your conscious** as well as to also be an educated voter. We hope the following guide helps prove you the information you need to make the best choice on November 6th, 2018.

Thank you for taking the time to read our guide. And thank you for helping us carry the torch of Liberty.

With Liberty,



Jennifer Imhoff, Chair



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**YOU CAN EITHER  
VOTE BY VOTING OR  
VOTE BY NOT VOTING.**



**IF YOU DON'T  
VOTE SOMEONE  
ELSE'S VOTE  
WILL COUNT MORE**

*The largest group*





# Quick Guide

## Candidates

**John Inks** - Mountain View City Council

**Robert Imhoff** - East Side Union High School District

**Jennifer Imhoff** - Berryessa Union School District

## Propositions

**Prop 1** - NO

**Prop 2** - NO

**Prop 3** - NO

**Prop 4** - NO

**Prop 5** - YES

**Prop 6** - YES

**Prop 7** - YES

**Prop 8** - NO

**Prop 9** - [null]

**Prop 10** - NO

**Prop 11** - NO

**Prop 12** - vote your concious

## Measures

**A** - NO

**E** - NO

**G** - NO

**H** - NO

**I** - NO

**M** - NO

**O** - NO

**P** - NO

**Q** - NO

**R** - NO

**T** - NO

**V** - NO

**W** - NO

**X** - NO

**Y** - YES

**Z** - NO

**AA** - NO

**BB** - NO

**CC** - NO

**DD** - NO

**EE** - NO

**FF** - NO

**GG** - NO

**HH** - NO

**II** - NO

**JJ** - NO

# Local Candidates



**John Inks,**  
Mountain View City Council

[www.ElectInks.com](http://www.ElectInks.com)



**Jennifer Imhoff,**  
Berryessa Union School District



**Robert Imhoff,**  
East Side Union High School District

# State Libertarian Candidates

## **Brandon Nelson**

**4th California State Assembly District**

<https://facebook.com/Nelson4Assembly>



## **Autumn Browne**

**69th California State Assembly District**

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



## **Christopher Stare**

**51st California State Assembly District**

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



## **Honor "Mimi" Robson**

**70th California State Assembly District**

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



## **Justin Quigley**

**21st California State Assembly District**

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 **LIBERTARIAN PARTY**  
of SANTA CLARA COUNTY

# State Propositions

## Proposition 1

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

### **BONDS TO FUND SPECIFIED HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.**

Authorizes \$4 billion in general obligation bonds for existing affordable housing programs for low-income residents, veterans, farmworkers, manufactured and mobile homes, infill, and transit-oriented housing. *Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs to repay bonds averaging about \$170 million annually over the next 35 years.*

Bond's are not sustainable solutions. Housing is a problem that can not be solved with a bond or by raising taxes. This housing bond will assure that more families can not afford to live in California. The best housing solutions come from organizations

## Proposition 2

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

### **BONDS TO FUND EXISTING HOUSING PROGRAM FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS.**

Amends Mental Health Services Act to fund No Place Like Home Program, which finances housing for individuals with mental illness. Ratifies existing law establishing the No Place Like Home Program. *Fiscal Impact: Allows the state to use up to \$140 million per year of county mental health funds to repay up to \$2 billion in bonds. These bonds would fund housing for those with mental illness who are homeless*

This bond relies heavily on the top 1% of income earners and, more with more volatility, the economy. Mental health issues require stability. As the Democrats increase their challenge the President, the California economic stability becomes less predictable and risk the sudden removal or funding cut of critical services.

## Proposition 3

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

### **BONDS TO FUND PROJECTS FOR WATER SUPPLY AND QUALITY, WATERSHED, FISH, WILDLIFE, WATER CONVEYANCE, AND GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AND STORAGE. INITIATIVE**

**STATUTE.** Authorizes \$8.877 billion in state general obligation bonds for various infrastructure projects. *Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs to repay bonds averaging \$430 million per year over 40 years. Local government savings for water-related projects, likely averaging a couple hundred million dollars annually over the next few decades.*

Since 2006 there has been \$20.478 billion in bonds approved for water infrastructure and according to the State Treasurer in August 2018 there are still \$7.1 billion in bonds that haven't been issued. There have been no notable improvements in that time period with money still available, and there is no reason that the State of California should be saddled with another \$8.877 billion in unfunded liabilities.

**BONDS FUNDING CONSTRUCTION AT HOSPITALS PROVIDING CHILDREN'S HEALTH CARE. INITIATIVE STATUTE.** *Authorizes \$1.5 billion in bonds, to be repaid from state's General Fund, to fund grants for construction, expansion, renovation, and equipping of qualifying children's hospitals. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs to repay bonds averaging about \$80 million annually over the next 35 years.*

Our children hospitals are a top priority. Which is exactly why billionaires, like Benioff and Zuckerberg, have donated billions to children hospitals across the state, willingly. The state does not need to burden the middle class and struggling families with an additional tax; especially when the money provided by private donors enables hospitals to control the money more wisely then the state could or with the un accountability of the states general fund.

**CHANGES REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNERS TO TRANSFER THEIR PROPERTY TAX BASE TO REPLACEMENT PROPERTY.** *Removes certain transfer requirements for homeowners over 55, severely disabled homeowners, and contaminated or disaster-destroyed property. Fiscal Impact: Schools and local governments each would lose over \$100 million in annual property taxes early on, growing to about \$1 billion per year. Similar increase in state costs to backfill school property tax losses.*

This proposition, the Property Tax Fairness Initiative, eliminates the "moving penalty" that exists today in order to protect seniors (55+) and severely disabled people who want to move to safer, more practical homes or closer to their families. Encouraging moving and downsizing will encourage a more active and free housing market.

**ELIMINATES CERTAIN ROAD REPAIR AND TRANSPORTATION FUNDING. REQUIRES CERTAIN FUEL TAXES AND VEHICLE FEES BE APPROVED BY THE ELECTORATE.** *Repeals a 2017 transportation law's taxes and fees designated for road repairs and public transportation. Fiscal Impact: Reduced ongoing revenues of \$5.1 billion from state fuel and vehicle taxes that mainly would have paid for highway and road maintenance and repairs, as well as transit programs.*

If pre-existing transportation taxes and fees were spent on transportation costs (as they should be), California would have \$5.6 Billion annually for transportation projects. The money is there its just not being spent well. Demand accountability and ensure major gas taxes have to go before the voters.

# Proposition 4

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Proposition 5

RECOMMENDED **YES** VOTE

# Proposition 6

RECOMMENDED **YES** VOTE

# Proposition 7

RECOMMENDED **YES** VOTE

**CONFORMS CALIFORNIA DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME TO FEDERAL LAW. ALLOWS LEGISLATURE TO CHANGE DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME PERIOD.**

*Gives Legislature ability to change daylight saving time period by two-thirds vote, if changes are consistent with federal law. Changes to daylight saving time would depend on future actions by the Legislature and potentially the federal government.*

Daylight saving time (DST) as an "outdated practice. Opponents want the world to revolve around them. Get the government out of mother nature and allow for humans and business to operate during the daylight hours they choose to.

# Proposition 8

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

**REGULATES AMOUNTS OUTPATIENT KIDNEY DIALYSIS CLINICS CHARGE FOR DIALYSIS TREATMENT.** *Requires rebates and penalties if charges exceed limit. Requires annual reporting to the state. Prohibits clinics from refusing to treat patients based on payment source. Fiscal Impact: Overall annual effect on state and local governments ranging from net positive impact in the low tens of millions of dollars to net negative impact in the tens of millions of dollars.*

Why are California voters being asked to weigh in on something that should be between patients, their families and their doctors? Dialysis should be widely available to meet the wide variety and complex needs that face these patients. Prop 8 aims to limit the market and reduce clinics. Put patients before unions and note no.

# Proposition 9

Proposition 9 was removed from the ballot by order of the California Supreme Court.

**EXPANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITY TO ENACT RENT CONTROL ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY.**

*Repeals state law that currently restricts the scope of rent-control policies that cities and other local jurisdictions may impose on residential property. Fiscal Impact: Potential net reduction in state and local revenues of tens of millions of dollars per year in the long term. Depending on actions by local communities, revenue losses could be less or considerably more. REQUIRES PRIVATE-SECTOR*

Rent control laws reduce the amount of rental property available because landlords will stop renting and does not encourage more building. This proposition will expand rent controlled property inventory. Without a plan to help families progress out of rent control we should not be increasing the population of people who are not able to keep up with the cost of living.

**EMERGENCY AMBULANCE EMPLOYEES TO REMAIN ONCALL DURING WORK BREAKS. ELIMINATES CERTAIN EMPLOYER LIABILITY.**

*Law entitling hourly employees to breaks without being on-call would not apply to private-sector ambulance employees. Fiscal Impact: Likely fiscal benefit to local governments (in the form of lower costs and higher revenues), potentially in the tens of millions of dollars each year.*

Work contracts should be between the employee and the employer. What might be good for one large metropolitan Ambulances won't always be what's best for small towns. Taxpayers

**REESTABLISHES NEW STANDARDS FOR CONFINEMENT OF SPECIFIED FARM ANIMALS; BANS SALE OF NONCOMPLYING PRODUCTS.**

*Establishes minimum requirements for confining certain farm animals. Prohibits sales of meat and egg products from animals confined in noncomplying manner. Fiscal Impact: Potential decrease in state income tax revenues from farm businesses, likely not more than several million dollars annually. State costs up to \$10 million annually to enforce the measure*

No Recommendation. Vote Your Conscious.

# Proposition 10

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Proposition 11

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Proposition 12

NO RECOMMENDATION



# Local Measures

## Measure A

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

## Measure E

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

## Measure G

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

## Measure H

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

## Measure I

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

## Measure K

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

## Measure M

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

## Measure O

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

### **County of Santa Clara** Sales Tax Increase (continuation)

Santa Clara County residences already pay almost \$7500 a year for taxes just to the county. Demand accountability before adding more.

### **City of Palo Alto** increase to Transient Occupancy (Hotel) tax.

Exuberant taxes drive away customers to local businesses and hinder short term private agreements, like AirBnB.

### **Town of Los Gatos** increase to Transient Occupancy (Hotel) tax.

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### **City of Morgan Hill** increase to Transient Occupancy (Hotel) tax.

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### **City of Morgan Hill** Cannabis Business Tax.

This puts the burden on businesses who are trying to be responsible while driving cannabis business back into the streets.

### **City of Sunnyvale** Transient Occupancy (Hotel) Tax

Exuberant taxes drive away customers to local businesses and hinder short term private agreements, like AirBnB.

### **City of Santa Clara** Cannabis Business Tax.

This puts the burden on businesses who are trying to be responsible while driving cannabis business back into the streets.

### **City of Campbell** General Obligation Bonds.

General obligation bonds don't offer accountability. Major priorities should be in the budget before special projects.



## **County of Mountain View** Business License ("head") Tax

This style of tax failed in Seattle. The current business tax plan already accounts for large companies to pay their share. Don't let greed jeopardize stability.

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## **Town of Milpitas** Increase to Transient Occupancy (Hotel) tax.

Exuberant taxes drive away customers to local businesses and hinder short term private agreements, like AirBnB.

## **City of San Jose** Public Safety Bond. (General Fund)

General obligation bonds don't offer accountability. Major priorities should be in the budget before special projects.

## **City of San Jose** Affordable Housing Bond (General Fund)

Taxing property raises the cost of living and will hurt more working class families than it offers to help.

## **West Valley - Mission Community Collage District** School Bond

The the state now has a surplus of funds ready to be spent on local projects, just like these, but did anyone asked the state before coming back to the taxpayers?

## **Gavilan Joint Community College District** School Bond

When the top 1% of taxpayers have already overfunded school improvement funds, you should not be on the hook to pay for more.

## **Palo Alto Unified Schoo District** Term Limits

Term limits encourage innovation and progress.

# Measure P

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure Q

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure R

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure T

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure V

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure W

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure X

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure Y

RECOMMENDED **YES** VOTE

# Measure Z

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure AA

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure BB

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure CC

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure EE

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure GG

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure HH

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

# Measure JJ

RECOMMENDED **NO** VOTE

## **Palo Alto Unified School District** School Bond

State mandated funding from budget surplus is at record highs in California. Tell the school to ask the state first before impacting local working families.

## **Milpitas Unified School District** School Bond

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## **Santa Clara Unified School District** School Bond

This bond is alarmingly high. Asking for \$7.5 Million dollars just 4 years after getting \$3 Million. Demand accountability.

## **Fremont Union High School District** School Bond

This \$275 million bond follows the \$295 million approved just 4 years ago that promised many of these same safety and security upgrades.

## **Evergreen Elementary School District** School Bond

This bond will increase parcel taxes by 52% from the original amount passed by voters during the recession. The school is overfunded.

## **Sunnyvale School District** School Bond

The average home in Sunnyvale is spending \$250 a year just on the previous 3 Sunnyvale bonds. Sunnyvale's high living costs are already driving out middle class families to cheaper cities.

## **Luther Burbank School District** School Bond

When the top 1% of taxpayers have already overfunded school improvement funds, you should not be on the hook to pay for rebuilding the front office of this one site school district.

## **Mt. Pleasant School District** School Bond

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# Find Out More

Our full arguments against the listed local measures is available on our website [scclp.org/Election\\_2018](http://scclp.org/Election_2018)

Details about the Libertarian Party of California's positions on the Propositions can be found at [ca.lp.org/voting-guide/](http://ca.lp.org/voting-guide/)

Join us at our next meeting to find out more about who we are, what we stand for, and what we are up to next

## **Central Committee Meeting**

November 10, 2018

LUNCH from 1pm - 2pm  
MEETING starting at 2pm

Omega's Restaurant  
90 S Park Victoria Dr  
Milpitas, CA 95035

## **Liberty & Coffee**

Every 3rd Saturday from 2-4pm

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