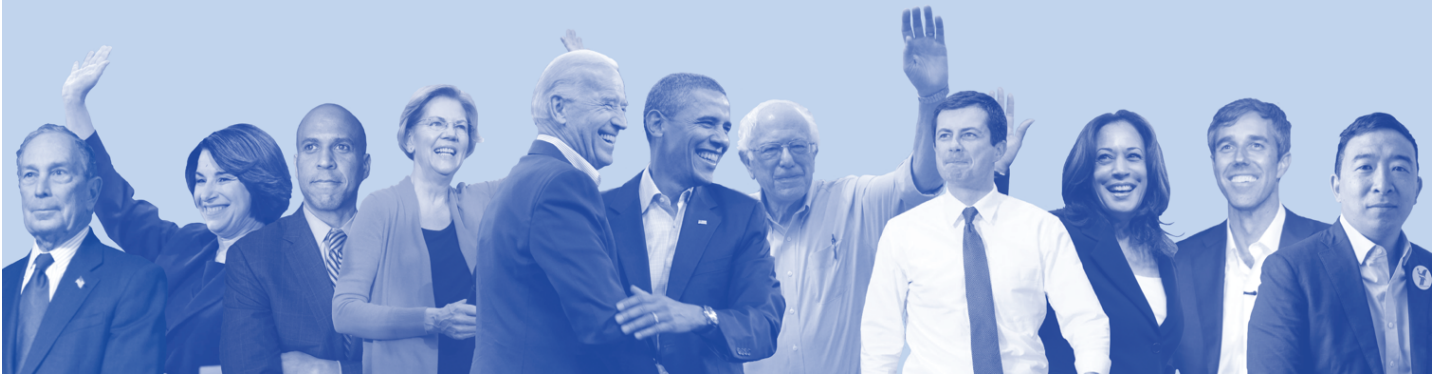




Democrats Unite



Candidate Name *

Virginia Chang Kiraly

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Statement Questionnaire

Answers are limited to 1000 characters. Your answers below will be shared with all members and publicly broadcast at <https://coastside Dems.org/election2022>

Why are you running for County Supervisor? *

I want to keep our community safe, protect our environment, reignite our economy and keep it strong, and keeping our community affordable and accessible. Further, as the only candidate who is a woman of color, I want the Board of Supervisors to reflect the ever-changing demographics of our county.

What will your top priorities be if elected? *

Fiscal responsibility, fire protection, decriminalizing mental illness, funding infrastructure projects, working on housing and homelessness issues, and supporting essential workers like farmworkers.

Please explain how your background and experience have prepared you to be a County Supervisor. *

Being a fiscal watchdog with my background in finance; being on two special district boards that deal with public safety, such as fire protection, emergency response, and water safety and local economic development.

What would you like to do to address the Coastside's vexing traffic issues? *

Since I'm on the Coast 3-4 days per week, I think putting in roundabouts at major intersections along Hwy. 1 will help mitigate vexing traffic issues.

Housing on the Coastside is especially expensive; how do you see the County helping with affordable housing? *

Social housing by repurposing government spaces

Many Coastside residents value the lower density, rural character of this area; how would you balance that with a need for more housing? *

Balancing the need for more housing the keeping the rural character of the coast should be done with current state laws of consistently implementing the laws that allow for every ADU application to be approved. Also, conservation development should be considered to balance environmental protection with development of low-cost housing.

The effects of climate change, especially increase shoreline erosion, are being seen along the Coastside. How can the County help mitigate these effects? *

The Harbor District has already done that with the Living Shoreline Project for the West Trail. In the Coastal Commission's report, it said that our project could be model for coastal communities throughout California. This is one of my proudest moments as Harbor Board president in 2021.

Does the County need to do more to ensure Coastsider safety in the face of more frequent wildfire and tidal events? *

Yes

What would you do to better connect, communicate, and represent the interests of the farmworker communities of the Coastside? *

As a member of the Farmworker Affairs Coalition, I want to collaborate with nonprofits to ensure that farmworker communities are receiving resources for education, technology connectivity, housing, and advocacy to ensure that they have humane working conditions and are being compensated adequately for their work.

How do you view the efficacy of Coast House and other efforts to address homelessness on the Coastside? *

I think Coast House is alleviating some of the challenges homelessness and that performance measurements should be monitored regularly so that the public will understand the need for Coast House and its benefit to the coastside community.

Have you ever run for political office, served on a political committee, or been identified publicly with a political organization, candidate, ballot measure, or issue? If so, please provide the details of your involvement. *

Yes. I have been involved with various civic organizations and projects, such as pension reform and election reform while on the SMC Civil Grand Jury; being elected to two offices simultaneously in 2020; reforming the CA Republican Party to remove gay marriage and abortion from the platform; environmental protection supporting state parks; protecting a woman's right to choose; and issues of public safety like fire protection, emergency response, water rescue and ocean safety, and emergency preparedness as a CERT and licensed ham radio operator.

Is there anything in your background which, if you receive the Club's endorsement, could cause embarrassment to the Club? If so, please provide the details. *

No

Thank you

Click Back to return to a previous question. Toggle the option below to request a copy of your responses. Click Submit when you are done.

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