

# CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

## Basic information

1. Name: **Max Socol**
2. Current Occupation (if applicable): **Community organizer**
3. Party Affiliation: **Democrat**
4. Have you been a public servant before? What positions and when? **N/A**
5. How long have you lived in your jurisdiction? **3.5 years in Montgomery County, 7 months in District 18**
6. Which office are you seeking? **State Senate, District 18**
7. Why are you seeking this office? **To build power for DSA and progressive ally organizations by taking our messages to the public, and to defeat a powerful conservative Democrat who represents some of the wealthiest people in America and has sabotaged our work on police abolition, progressive taxation, and decommodified housing and has been a key opponent of LGBT protections and union priorities**
8. Why are you soliciting Metro DC DSA's endorsement for this office? **I have been an active member of MDC DSA since 2016, participating in the Stomp out Slumlords and Migrant Justice working groups and leading on multiple campaigns and committees in my home branch of Montgomery County. I wouldn't want to run without DSA's support because I believe we're the future of progressive politics both in the DMV and nationwide. My district is a winnable race but only with a true shoeleather campaign. Luckily that's what DSA does best.**
9. Please list other significant endorsements you've received for this position or for prior races: **This is my first race and endorsement season has only just started here, but I am in conversation with many progressive organizations and unions.**

## DSA and democratic socialism

1. Are you a member of DSA? If not, would you join? Why or why not? **Yes, I've been a member since just after the 2016 election.**
2. How does the campaign you are planning and the office that you are considering relate to your theory of social change? **Our campaign strategy in D18 is to catch a sleepy, self-satisfied party establishment off guard. The incumbent is the definition of big-money politics, a wealthy heir who hasn't worked a regular job since he started running for office more than a decade ago. He wins by raising more money than most other office-holders while projecting a substance-free "progressive" image. But our district is changing rapidly. It is no longer majority white and there is a growing segment of the population experiencing terrible working conditions, low wages, oppressive rents, and racist police violence. This is the half of the district that the incumbent ignores. I have many years of experience building grassroots organizations in these kinds of conditions, and I believe this campaign can build a coalition of, on the one hand, white liberals and progressives who want a left-wing option, and on the other hand a surprising number of new primary voters who don't typically pay attention to state politics. We will offer a working class**

agenda -- rent control, taxes on the rich, better public schools, universal healthcare, climate readiness -- and create campaign systems that develop neighborhood leaders in the ignored areas of District 18.

3. Do you identify as a democratic socialist? Why? **Yes I do. I believe in transforming our political and economic systems away from capitalism to a system that prioritizes human needs over profits.**
4. Are you willing to run publicly as a democratic socialist? **Yes**
5. Will you be willing to run with other DSA-endorsed candidates as a slate? **Yes**
6. Will you publicize DSA's endorsement? **Yes**
7. Will you pledge not to take any campaign contributions from for-profit corporations or for-profit corporate PACs? **Yes**
8. Will you pledge not to take any campaign contributions from real estate developers, corporate lobbyists, and landlords? **Yes**
9. Will you pledge not to take any campaign contributions or endorsements from organizations in the carceral system (such as law enforcement unions)? **Yes**
10. Are you open to working with DSA when developing your platform? **Yes -- I already have multiple DSA members on my kitchen cabinet. Happy to discuss further collaborative arrangements for policy development.**
11. Will you allow Metro DC DSA to create campaign materials to distribute during its work on your campaign? **Yes**
12. DSA has a large and active volunteer base. Will you support DSA training our own volunteers, running our own canvases, and campaigning openly as DSA members? **Yes**
13. Will you allow DSA to collaborate with you on your field plan and program? **Yes**
14. Will you allow DSA to keep copies of all data we collect through voter contact, if legal in your jurisdiction? **Yes**

### **Goals of your campaign**

15. What is your estimated number of votes needed to win? **12,000**
16. What are your plans, beyond what Metro DC DSA can bring to the table, for obtaining the number of votes needed to win? **We intend to build an active core of volunteers whose primary focus will be door knocking. Our district is high density and racially and economically stratified in such a way that we can knock very efficiently. The knock goal is 50,000 doors. In addition we hope to develop community organizing-informed techniques on doors to identify and organically develop neighborhood and community leaders we meet. My campaign manager and I are both experienced organizers who have run these kinds of campaigns in the past.**
17. What are the issues that will distinguish you from other candidates? How are those issues popular with the electorate? **I will be pushing big policy ideas on several key issue areas that will help me sound very different from local and state level officials: statewide rent control and social housing, fossil fuel divestment and accelerated decarbonization, more taxes on the wealthy, single payer healthcare for Maryland, and further measures to get police out of communities such as ending the police role in traffic enforcement.**

- 17.1. If you are challenging an incumbent, what distinguishes you from the incumbent?  
Why would you be an improvement over the incumbent?

The incumbent has developed a reputation for dishonesty and is much more conservative than his predecessor, who was regarded as one of the more progressive members of the Maryland State Senate. The incumbent voted with Republicans to weaken even modest police reforms and collaborated closely with the FOP, even inserting their chosen language as amendments to Democratic bills. He is a corporate attorney living on inherited wealth whose entire platform is gun control, improved healthcare (a cause he has done nothing about), and pork for the district. He was also most responsible for killing a bill that would have protected the rights of trans students in schools, and he has a record of voting against taxes on millionaires and missing votes on raising the minimum wage. In addition to reversing each of these terrible positions I would add the positions mentioned above in question 17. More broadly, I would shift the political power base in the district from the ultra-wealthy neighborhoods of Chevy Chase and Bethesda to working class neighborhoods in the east like Silver Spring and Wheaton.

18. How much money will you need to successfully compete in this race and what is your plan to raise it? My campaign budget plan is about \$150,000. I believe I can raise about a third of this amount from my personal network, a third from local activists who are highly engaged and frustrated with the incumbent, and a third through small dollar fundraising plus PAC donations from unions and progressive groups.
19. What relationships do you have in your district that could form a base of support, through activism, organizing, work or personal networks? For the past 7 years I was a staff organizer and campaigner with Bend the Arc, whose local affiliate Jews United for Justice is very active in this district. I am a founding member of the Silver Spring Justice Coalition, a long time member of MoCo DSA, a founding member of the MORE Network, and I currently organize in a housing coalition alongside CASA. I also chaired a section of the County Executive's Reimagining Public Safety Task Force.
20. What endorsements do you have from elected officials, political organizations, unions and community leaders? What other endorsements are you seeking and why? The campaign hasn't formally launched yet, but we are seeking the endorsements of groups with social/environmental justice focuses and unions.
21. How will you use your campaign to build Metro DC DSA? Democratic socialism in DC/Maryland/Virginia? District 18 is geographically contiguous with Janeese Lewis-George's ward in DC, and has very progressive politics. It is a natural extension for MDC DSA to begin learning and influencing this turf. Winning this race will also build on our growing cohort of DSA members elected to state government in Maryland. At a time when there is a significant leadership vacuum among Democrats in the statehouse there are major opportunities to push socialist ideas in legislation. I'm also interested in collaborating with other DSA members elected to the Maryland General Assembly to explore the formation of a state-level progressive voting bloc.

Montgomery County has proven to be the most fertile ground for Metro DC DSA in terms of elections, accounting for four out of our seven electoral wins since 2017. I hope that

this race will provide an opportunity to build on our successful track record and our progressive coalition here.

22. How do you strike the balance between your positions as a socialist and your ability to appeal to the broader electorate? On the Reimagining Public Safety Task Force, I was made co-chair of the budget committee which was to analyze police budgets and make recommendations. I went to work organizing committee members to build a consensus position to reduce police funding overall rather than increasing it through more ineffective training. I ran into resistance from an unlikely source: a member of the committee who had been incarcerated for close to 20 years on drug charges. He did not have any sympathy for police or any illusions about their social role, but he balked at the idea of taking funding away from them because of his lived experience in communities that face systemic disinvestment in every part of life. He did not believe that just because we moved police money into other departments (e.g. Dept of Environment, Health & Human Services), that this would mean the money actually got invested in Black or Latino communities. His perspective forced me to slow down and listen, and I realized his concerns made a lot of sense. So we worked together to come up with an alternative investment framework that would reallocate some policing money to those agencies, but also allocate money to community grants earmarked for people of color residing in the police districts experiencing the most violence. This is the process I believe in for crafting positions and slogans. We are in consistent dialogue with voters, we listen to what they have to say, and we collaborate to develop a platform that unifies socialist aspirations and lived experiences of working people on the margins.

### Goals in office

23. Would you be open to having DSA members as staff in policy positions and/or to collaborating with our working groups on policy? **Yes**
24. Will you agree to appear periodically at DSA meetings in your district? **I already attend branch meetings and events regularly, that won't change**
25. Will you endorse and campaign for other DSA endorsed candidates in the future? **Yes**
26. How will you use your office, if elected, to build socialism and working class power? **I will treat the office like the full time job it should be, and use my resources and platform to organize year round in working class neighborhoods of the district. Our north star goals will be decommodifying housing and healthcare, decarbonizing the state, and decarcerating the people**
27. If elected, what are your top 3 priorities? **Overhaul housing via rent control and social housing stock, tax the rich to support climate and education investments, and establish single payer healthcare for Maryland.**
28. How will you implement those priorities, given that you will likely face opposition from other elected officials? **All of these ideas with the exception of rent control have already been introduced by lawmakers in Annapolis in the last session and have support in both chambers, so what's needed is building additional support. I'm not certain we can get them all done in one cycle but there is a major leadership vacuum in the Maryland**

General Assembly right now and I think several of these could happen. Tax increases on the wealthy in particular could move, in part because Maryland has already committed itself to an aggressive education investment plan called the “Blueprint” that will require increasing revenues each year. Even more conservative Democrats in the caucus will be aware that the money has to be found. Likewise it is widely understood that we have a housing affordability crisis so action will happen, the question is what kind. There are powerful organizations on the progressive side like CASA that are focusing more and more on this issue who I would work with to develop support for rent control and social housing.

## Questions for incumbents

1. Tell us about a success/political win you championed/led that created material wins/improved conditions for the working class in your district?
2. What obstacles did you face in office and how do you plan to address these obstacles if re-elected?

## Metro DC DSA Priorities

In February 2021, Metro DC DSA voted to approve four priority campaigns: Defund MPD, Stomp Out Slumlords (housing justice), Green New Deal and Labor. These priorities are subject to annual changes.

### *Defunding MPD and abolition*

MDC DSA’s Defund MPD Working Group is organizing in coalition with Black-led and racial justice organizations to defund the D.C. Metropolitan Police Department, remove police from schools, and free our neighbors from occupation and incarceration as a path towards abolition — a world without cops and prisons. As part of our vision for racial and economic justice, we demand that the funding removed from police and prisons be reinvested in real public safety: housing, schools, jobs, healthcare and mental health services, community-based support programs, violence interruption, and other public goods and services. This aspiration is a core part of our vision of socialism.

MDC DSA has endorsed the [demands](#) of the Defund MPD coalition, including reducing funding for MPD by 50% over the next three years. In Montgomery County, MD, Metro DC DSA participates in the Defund and Reinvest Coalition (see demands [here](#))

1. Do you support defunding the police in your jurisdiction? Why? *I do. County police have a track record of racist, disproportionate enforcement that often leads to violence. The county’s own Office of Legislative Oversight has been sounding the alarm about these trends for years, but local officials have taken no meaningful action. Black and Latino drivers are far more likely to be stopped by MCPD and far more likely to be fined for “paper” violations. Residents in predominantly Black and Latino neighborhoods in the*

county, including in my district, are far more likely to be beaten, hospitalized, or killed by police than in wealthier, whiter areas. Predominantly Black and Latino neighborhoods and police districts are more likely to see criminal enforcement of marijuana possession or sex work.

Despite investments in “retraining” and DEI-inspired professional development, these trends are actually getting worse, not better. During my time on the county’s Reimagining Public Safety Task Force, I directly confronted police leaders and their bargaining representatives to get answers. But rather than have an honest conversation about how to improve matters, police leaders denied the plain facts in front of them. Everything was “out of context”, “unfair” or “political”. They made excuses and vague threats and never once took the engagement seriously. In short, they acted like they have for a very long time, like they have total political impunity.

So in our final recommendations, despite pressure from the task force leadership, our committee told the truth. Further investments in police budgets won’t solve problems that police aren’t even prepared to admit they have. In fact, further investments in policing, regardless of their intentions, incentivize police leadership to loosen standards further. It is a “heads I win, tails you lose” arrangement for the public. When police behave better, they get more money. When they behave worse, they get more money.

Our recommendations called for a new approach. Police districts with rising instances of use of force should *lose* funding. Police commanders should be held accountable for the violence their patrol officers inflict on the public. And police districts experiencing the worst violence should receive public reparations in the form of targeted social service, transportation, and environmental quality investments, as well as grant programs that would directly invest in community-owned institutions. We also called for the elimination of low-level drug enforcement, the shifting of traffic control from police to the Dept of Transportation, and proportionate decreases in funding to the police department relative to these changes.

Having been through this extensive process of political negotiation and research I believe our team was the first quasi-official body in recent county history to call for these kinds of changes and this is the roadmap I would pursue in office to the best of my ability. I also want to emphasize that while I favor any form of divestment from policing, in the spirit of “balancing my positions as a socialist with appealing to the broader electorate”, as your earlier question puts it, I have found that it is important to create a clear cause/effect argument for reducing funding in order to bring liberal MoCo voters along. “Police violence goes up, police funding goes down” etc.

2. **What actions would you take in office to shift power away from the police?** As I learned on the task force, many local changes to policing are controlled by state-level legislation. My first step would be to resurrect and pass enabling legislation, supported unanimously by the County Council but undermined by my opponent, to allow the county to get police out of traffic enforcement and switch to automated systems. I would then partner with

DSA champions already in office like Del. Acevero in the House and Sen. Carter in the Senate to move an abolitionist agenda forward statewide, in partnership with the grassroots organizations that have been defining the terms of victory for our coalition like Progressive Maryland. Working together with allies inside and outside the General Assembly will be the key to making real progress on the issue without getting so far ahead of the public that we lose our base of support.

3. What actions would you take in office to end mass incarceration? I would campaign to resurrect the Juvenile Interrogation Protection Act, another bill my opponent killed in committee, to guarantee legal rights to children taken into police custody. There are several additional recommendations from a state committee that never made it to bill form that could also be brought forward, such as a blanket ban on trying juveniles as adults.
4. Do you support removing school resource officers from schools? Yes, this was one of the recommendations in our task force report.
5. Many local police departments participate in training with Israeli military and/or police in what opponents of such programs call the “Deadly Exchange,” furthering practices of surveillance, militarization and racist violence and policing. Would you support ending these police exchanges? Absolutely and I support (and recommended) ending all partnerships, training or otherwise, with any military, military contractor, or ex-military trainers or agencies. Police should never receive military training.
6. Which demands of the Defund MPD coalition do you support? Why? All of them. They are common sense demands. Our communities do need public safety, police don’t provide it, ergo money being wasted or used to harm us via policing should be shifted to agencies and programs that improve safety outcomes for everyone.
7. Do you disagree with the ideas behind the demands of the Defund MPD coalition? Why? N/A

### ***Stomp Out Slumlords and housing justice***

Stomp Out Slumlords (SOS) fights evictions and supports tenant organizing throughout the Washington metro area. The group began in 2017 as an effort to canvas tenants threatened with eviction to educate them about their rights and encourage them to defend themselves in court. Since then, SOS has gradually focused more and more on organizing tenant unions and going on the offensive to demand concessions from major landlords and developers.

During the pandemic, SOS committed to the movement to cancel rent and expanded their organizing efforts into more than 25 buildings in and around DC and supported rent strikes in most of them. Since the spring 2020, they have mobilized hundreds of people to protest politicians and landlords and stop illegal evictions through direct action.

SOS is now one of the largest and most militant tenant organizations in the region, and they have won rent forgiveness plans from big developers and played an important role in getting and defending some of the nation’s strongest emergency tenant protections.

Metro DC DSA is also a member of the [Reclaim Rent Control coalition](#), which seeks to expand and strengthen current rent control laws in DC.

1. Do you believe guaranteed housing is a human right? **Yes**
2. What steps would you take to expand renter protections in your jurisdiction? **I would be the first elected official (though I hope not the only one) to introduce a statewide rent control bill modeled on Oregon's successful statewide implementation of rent control in 2019. I would also join with current DSA champions in the legislature to cosponsor legislation calling for the creation of a social housing program and zoning changes to massively increase affordable housing stock without attendant giveaways to developer interests and landlords. I would also support funding Maryland's tenants right to counsel law, which passed during the 2021 session, thanks to pressure from tenants' rights advocates, but lawmakers failed to include funding to implement this law.**
3. What steps would you take to expand rent control in your jurisdiction? **See above**
4. What will do to increase affordable housing in your jurisdiction? **See above**
5. Do you support ending exclusionary zoning? **Yes**

### ***Green New Deal***

Metro DC DSA's Green New Deal campaign organizes to fight the existential crisis of capitalist-driven climate change and environmental racism in the DMV area.

As a grassroots movement, they build and exercise power through labor and tenant unions, electoral campaigns, diverse coalition-building, political education, and policy change. Their vision is to decommodify and guarantee human needs, democratize and decarbonize the economy by 2030, and repair the generational effects of oppression and displacement of Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

Metro DC DSA is a member of the [We Power DC](#) (WPDC) coalition. WPDC's goal is to replace Pepco with a democratically-run municipal utility rooted in the principles of energy democracy. This coalition launched in October 2019 as the #NoPepcoPledge, which asked DC Council candidates to reject donations from Pepco and support a feasibility study on alternative utility models. The group's current demands include utility debt forgiveness, a permanent ban on utility shut offs and union wages for all Pepco contractors.

1. Do you support municipalizing utilities in your jurisdiction? Why or why not? **Yes. Public ownership of utilities is an essential political step in light of worsening climate outcomes.**
2. Do you support ending utility shut offs and forgiving utility debt in your jurisdiction? Why or why not? **Yes**
3. Will you accept donations from energy utilities? **No**
4. What steps should your jurisdiction take to decarbonize the economy by 2030? How will you ensure that this happens? **In the last session, the Maryland legislature failed to pass a bill that would decarbonize the state economy by 2045--the bill passed both chambers but then died in conference due to delegates from Montgomery County who represent**

industry interests. This same bill called for a 60% reduction in carbon emissions by 2030. To get to 100% by 2030, we need to send several more progressive leaders to Annapolis in 2022 to improve that bill and make standards more aggressive, and pressure leadership to get the industry hacks out of the way.

## **Labor**

The Labor Working Group organizes with workers, including DSA members, from across the region to fight bad bosses, build new unions, and turn out for solidarity actions. Organizing the working class in their workplaces, whether through traditional collective bargaining and unions or other types of organizations, is central to socialist thought and practice. Especially here in the DMV, unions are diverse working-class organizations that build multi-racial solidarity through collective action for community transformation.

1. How will you support public sector unions in your jurisdiction? I would introduce legislation guaranteeing the right to organize to all public sector workers, and establishing a state labor relations board with binding authority over municipalities and state agencies. Currently no such entity exists and public sector workers have to bargain at the local level.
2. How will you expand union density in the DC area? I would also include farm workers in the system described above. Farm workers have no labor protections at the federal level or in Maryland.
3. How will you support collective bargaining and the right to strike in your jurisdiction? The county's state delegation (delegates and senators elected to Annapolis from the county) plays a key role in boosting the county teacher's union during budget negotiations. I have shown up at educator-led demonstrations in the past in the fight for a fair contract and I will continue to stand with teachers and pressure county leaders to pay fair wages and benefits. I will also show up to support striking workers anywhere in my district.
4. Do you support increasing the minimum wage in your jurisdiction? Yes I do. Maryland's minimum wage is \$11.75 (\$15 in Montgomery County), far too low for one of the richest states in the country. I support raising the minimum to \$25 or more, indexed to inflation, which is what EPI calculates to be a living wage in Montgomery County.

## **Other issues**

### ***Palestine***

In 2017, the Democratic Socialists of America adopted a resolution at its national convention in support of Palestinian civil society's call for a global Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement until Israel ends its illegal colonization of Palestinian lands, ensures equal rights for Palestinians living within Israel, and guarantees the right of Palestinian refugees to return to their homes.

Maryland Governor Larry Hogan [issued](#) an executive order in 2017 prohibiting executive agencies from entering into procurement contracts with business entities that engage in boycotts of Israel or territories occupied by Israel. The Maryland General Assembly has also debated and passed bills declaring that it is the policy of the state to oppose public institutions' support for boycotts for Palestinian rights.

In 2016, Virginia lawmakers [passed](#) a non-binding resolution that officially condemns boycotts for Palestinian rights. Two other measures, which would have become binding laws, have failed. These measures include a 2016 anti-boycott bill and a 2017 effort to redefine antisemitism under Virginia's antidiscrimination law to include advocacy for Palestinian rights.

Metro DC DSA expects that any endorsed candidates and public official would oppose anti-BDS legislation and vocally support Palestinian rights.

1. Do you support the Palestinian call for Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) to pressure Israel until it complies with international law by ending the occupation, instituting equal rights for its Palestinian citizens and respecting Palestinian refugees' right to return? [\[Yes/No\] Yes](#)

Would you like to expand on your answer? [In 2008 I spent a year traveling between occupied Jerusalem and the West Bank, working for various NGOs that were building Palestinian civil society programs. It was important to me as a Jewish person to engage with the realities of occupation and resistance directly. Back in the US, I have worked for many years to build Jewish support for Palestinian human rights, including cofounding an organization called the \[Center for Jewish Nonviolence\]\(#\) that brings Jews from the global diaspora into the region, in partnership with Palestinian organizations, to engage in direct confrontations with Israeli settlers and the military. The relationships I have built with Palestinian leaders over the years have profoundly shifted my politics and I am forever in their debt.](#)

2. Do you pledge to refrain from accepting any invitation from the Israeli government or participating in any event sponsored by it, until it fully complies with its obligations under international law? [\[Yes/No\] Yes](#)

Would you like to expand on your answer?

3. Do you pledge to oppose any official adoption of a redefinition of antisemitism to include opposition to Israel's policies or legal system, or support for non-violent measures meant to press for changes in Israeli policies or laws? [\[Yes/No\] Yes](#)

Would you like to expand on your answer? [In addition to my work in the region, for the past seven years I have been an organizer and campaigner with a Jewish organization called Bend the Arc, which has been one of the key Jewish institutions mobilizing opposition to the so-called "IHRA definition of antisemitism", which shamelessly conflates anti-Zionism with antisemitism. You can see some of the work I have done reframing the conversation around](#)

antisemitism at the website [howtofightantisemitism.com](http://howtofightantisemitism.com), which I helped to build during the 2020 election.

4. Do you oppose state legislative and executive efforts that penalize individuals, universities and entities that boycott Israel? [Yes/No] Yes

Would you like to expand on your answer?

### ***Racial justice***

1. How would you use your office to combat racism in the educational system? I was a leader in the Montgomery County campaign to remove police from public schools, and I would seek to build support for the same approach at the state level. Beyond that I see racism in public education as primarily a question of resources. Maryland is finally taking steps to address huge funding shortfalls in public schools that primarily serve Black and brown students, but the rub is that the plan is funded year by year and will require billions in new revenue. Centrist Democrats and Republicans will seize every opportunity to keep that funding out of the hands of marginalized families. In office I will be a leader on progressive taxation, pushing to expand the upper brackets of Maryland's income tax and closing corporate tax loopholes to make sure that public schools have all the funding they need.
2. How would you address racism in access to employment and the racial wealth gap? I think from the vantage point of state legislation, the best way I can address these issues is through answers already given: increasing union density, expanding the right to organize, and raising wages.

### ***Health justice***

1. Do you believe that healthcare is a human right? What actions would you take to support universal healthcare? Yes I do. Maryland can pass a bill establishing a single-payer system in the state and it would be a priority of mine to do so.
2. How would you support ending medical debt? I would support any legal mechanism to abolish medical debt. The Maryland End Medical Debt Coalition, of which Metro DC DSA is a member, supported a bill to limit the amount that hospitals are allowed to sue and to protect patients from wage garnishments and liens placed on personal homes for medical debt during the 2021 session. This bill ultimately passed, but with amendments that seriously weakened the bill's original intent. I would support the full version of this bill, as well as anything else the End Medical Debt Coalition is supporting.
3. How would you support expanding abortion rights? Maryland's abortion rights protections are fairly good, however there is one major gap, which is that pregnant people who are receiving state assistance for medical costs can't get covered for abortions unless their health or the health of the fetus is at risk. I would want to consult with pro-choice organizations in the state but if this law can be changed or amended to provide abortion access without restriction I would sponsor a bill to do so.

### ***Migrant justice***

1. Do you support classifying and publicly announcing your jurisdiction as a sanctuary for undocumented immigrants? **Yes**
2. Do you support the unconditional abolition of the Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency (ICE)? **Yes, as well as CBP.**
3. Do you support prohibiting local law enforcement from cooperating with ICE or participating in deportation activities? **Yes. I support the Maryland Trust Act, which would prevent local police from racially profiling and carrying out federal immigration enforcement against Marylanders, and will support any similar legislation supported by immigrants rights activists.**
4. Will you oppose the operation of any migrant detention facility in your jurisdiction (whether run by ICE, another government agency, or privately run), and oppose the transfer of any migrants in your jurisdiction to such facilities? **Yes**