

2018 Pennsylvania CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

Candidate Name: Dan Williams

Running For: PA House

District: 74

Party Affiliation: Democrat

Charitable nonprofits include groups like food banks, Habitat for Humanity, YMCAs, religious institutions, hospitals, museums, libraries, child care centers, and many more. What has been your personal experience with nonprofits (ex: as a board member, employee, volunteer, or donor)? How do these experiences shape your policy positions?

I have been a pastor for more than 28 years and worked with many non-profit organizations. I also serve on the board of The Biblical Theological Seminary in Hatfield, PA. My church provides free or below market space for meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous and other local non-profits. I also work closely with several local community non-profits including the 2nd Century Alliance, and Movement Community Development Corporation, as well as others.

What is your position on the following tax issues that affect charitable nonprofits:

Do you support preserving state and local sales and real-estate tax exemptions for charitable nonprofits?

Support

Do you believe that nonprofits should be required to provide Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOTS) or Services in Lieu of Taxes (SILOTS)?

No.

Would you support additional state tax revenues dedicated to fund nonprofits providing contracted government health and human services?

Yes.

Additional comments about tax policies that affect nonprofits:

Nonprofits provide more than 720,000 jobs in Pennsylvania (15% of the state's workforce). What policies would you propose to promote continued job growth for private employers, including both nonprofit and for-profit business?

Creating jobs and providing a fair living wage for all workers are top priorities for me.

Would you favor legislation that would reduce the likelihood of a budget impasse in future years? If so, what type of legislation?

Yes

Would you support regulatory changes that increase efficiencies and nonprofit-government partnerships. (Proposed regulatory changes could include reducing redundancies across state agencies - e.g. common pre-award processes, budget templates, use of a single audit, reporting template and central depository vault)?

Yes.

If elected, what would be your top three policy priorities?

1. Holding the line on property tax increases
2. Creating jobs and rebuilding our infrastructure
3. Providing more support and programs to fight the Opioid Crisis