Q1
Candidate name
Kristine Cousler-Womack

Q2
Office running for (governor, PA House, PA Senate)
PA House

Q3
District
93rd

Q4
Party affiliation
Keystone

Q5
How have you or someone close to you benefited from nonprofit services?*Nonprofits include groups like food banks, Habitat for Humanity, YMCAs, religious institutions, museums, libraries, childcare centers.
Yes
Q6
Nonprofits not only provide mandated services on behalf of state and federal government, but they positively contribute to the Commonwealth (providing 15% or 807,000 jobs), and by bringing in revenue from outside the state. What policies do you propose to promote continued job growth for nonprofit employers so they can continue addressing community needs?

I would propose or support any policy that continues the work that non-profits do in the community. Non profits get more resources out and work done directly with the communities than that government and should have policies that reflect the needs they have to maintain the ability to provide those services and jobs.

Q7
Would you support increases in reimbursement rates* for nonprofits providing contracted government health and human services? If not, please explain why.*Some rates have not been increased for over a decade.

Yes I would support increases in reimbursement rates for non profits that meet the criteria and adhere to the regulations as specified.

Q8
87% of nonprofits were negatively impacted by the pandemic - and continued to provide services to those most vulnerable. The state has yet to designate funding to support our work. Given the likelihood of a looming recession, what policies do you support to ensure financial support to these nonprofits so critical to your work?

I would support any policy that continues the work done by non-profits by aiding them with financial support. I would try to use any pandemic money not used, or reallocate funds to avoid any additional burden on the tax payers.

Q9
Many nonprofits were created to address inequities in policy or programs.* If elected, how would you go about identifying and addressing these inequities?*Examples: Food banks exist to serve those who live in food deserts or have other limited access to food. Suicide hotlines exist to serve those who have no where else to turn when life no longer seems worth living.

I plan to continue to be active in the community. The only way you know what the community needs is by being involved. Once a need is establish I will work on creating and presenting policies and or programs to help with that need.

Q10
If elected, what would be your top three policy priorities?

Addressing food insecurities within our communities, election reform to make sure fair access for all to vote, and education reform (making schools have needed resources and funding)