



Breaking through the Noise to a Bright Future



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Every month we have to break through the constant noise brought on by the Trump administration to find hope and to find solace in the fact we live in deep blue California. Whether it is the primary wins for local and not so local Dems, or active corruption fighting in our home state, or promise of a bright future with our young Dems, we have many things to look forward to in Santa Clara County.

Primary Results Good for California Democrats

Congratulations to our sole endorsed local candidates, including County Supervisor Sylvia Arena, re-elected by an overwhelming margin, San José City Council member Peter Ortiz, advancing to a run-off with nearly 45% of the vote, and Gordon Chester, earning a spot in the run-off for the open San José City Council District 9 (Cambrian area).

At the state level, congratulations to Xavier Bacerra, our nominee for Governor! Nearly all statewide offices have a sole Democratic nominee, other than Insurance Commissioner (for which two Democrats advanced). For the Board of Equalization, Sally Lieber leads her nearest opponent by over 40 points and will be on the ballot again in November.

Our SCCDP team communicated with voters by mail, text, and social media ads, and volunteers like you, canvassed to help our candidates succeed!

Next we will turn our attention to the November 3 General Election, when many local city/town council, school board, and special district board seats are up for election. **Are you a local Democrat running in the general? Let us know about your candidacy by completing the form [here](#).** Learn more about our process and timeline at sccdp.org/endorsementprocess.

Local Laws Fight Corruption

While California and its Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) do everything it can to stave off corruption of elected and non-elected public officials, Trump and his administration think nothing of [pardoning](#) former congresspeople that trade on insider information. Local California elected officials have to fill out a Form 700 when they run for office and every year while in office. The Form 700 requires you list all real estate and financial interests you and your spouse own. The purpose of the Form 700 is to ensure decisions public electeds and high ranking non-electeds make do not benefit their own financial interests or those of their spouse and to ensure transparency with the public of those interests. Meanwhile, Stephen Buyer, a former Republican congressman from Indiana who was convicted for illegal stock trades made after he left office and served 22 months was pardoned by Trump just last week, when the Supreme Court did not take up the case. Trump may think nothing of his and his supporters' corruption, but we thankfully live in a state that does and enforces laws against it whether the perpetrator is Republican or Democrat.

Our Future is Bright: Youth Takeover July 9th

This year's Youth Takeover is scheduled for July 9th. Youth Delegates will propose, discuss, and approve resolutions on behalf of the Santa Clara County Democratic Party. Youths will advocate for the SCCDP to take a specific stance on a myriad of issues, and come up with solutions as to how the issues can be addressed. Then, at the end of the meeting, the youth approved resolutions and actions will be presented for adoption by the voting members of the SCCDP to hopefully become official positions of the county party. You can find examples of past resolutions [at this link](#).

When: Thursday, July 9, 2026, 7pm-9pm, at the following address.

Where: Board Room, San José Unified School District, [855 Lenzen Ave, San José, CA 95126](#)*

How to Apply: Fill out this form [here](#).

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Under the Radar:

Longtime Epstein assistant says she set up phone calls between Epstein and Trump. <https://www.politico.com/live-updates/2026/06/09/congress/trump-and-epsteins-phone-calls-00954798>

Meanwhile Pam Bondi is blaming Todd Blanche for the Epstein coverup. <https://www.politico.com/news/2026/05/29/pam-bondi-epstein-files-congress-testimony-00942272>

Macro Rubio is lying to people's faces about Trump's mental state. <https://newrepublic.com/article/211365/transcript-trump-mental-state-exposed-damning-video-rubio-spins>

Thanks to the GOP and Trump DOGE cuts, screwworm is attacking cattle in Texas. <https://www.texastribune.org/2026/06/08/screwworm-texas-updates-john-bellinger/>

Measels is increasing in the US as Trump, RFK, and the GOP find new ways to kill us.
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2026/06/08/measles-cases-offer-dire-warning-infectious-diseases/>

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