

# King County Democrats 2011 General Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate Name	Christopher Amelia Truppner
Position sought	46 <sup>th</sup> LD State House Of Representatives
Residence Legislative, County Council and Congressional district	46 <sup>th</sup> Legislative District, County Council District 2, 7 <sup>th</sup> Congressional district
Are you a Democrat? Are you known as a Democrat?	<b>Yes. I have served the party for 9 years helping people get elected to office.</b>
<b>Campaign Information</b>	
Campaign Name	Christopher Amelia Truppner for State House Of Representatives
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Campaign phone number	N/A
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**Candidate Background: Community service, education, employment and other relevant experience.**

Describe your qualifications, education, employment, community and civic activity, Union affiliation and other relevant experience.

My name is Chris Amelia Truppner and I have lived in the 46<sup>th</sup> District all my life. I was one of those people how always took pride in their community. I use to love going to the Mall with my friends or walking to Green Lake to hang out and play basketball with my friends. I was always involved in my school with the help of two friends we built the first library in my High School. Homelessness was a big thing for me so I used to go around the area where I lived collecting can foods to take to the local food bank. In 2005 I was selected to go to the Washington State Senate. I learned a lot about Government service and have now devoted my life to serving the people of Washington.

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What ratings and endorsements have you received?	
Legislative District Democrats	N/A
Union Endorsement	N/A
Municipal League	N/A
SEAMEC	N/A
Other Endorsements	N/A

## Which groups do you plan to ask for an endorsement?

The PCO'S of the 46<sup>th</sup> LD

Please answer the following questions*		Yes	No	Qualified
1	Do you support the King County Democratic Platform?	x		
2	Do you support the right of workers (excluding military) to bargain and strike?	x		
3	Do you support government funding of Planned Parenthood and other family planning services, including abortion and contraception?	x		
4	Do you support majority votes by state and local governments to enact taxes for revenue and to repeal tax exemptions?	x		
5	Do you support the Affordable Health Care Act?	x		
6	Do you support school vouchers? Do you support charter schools?		x	
7	Do you support the Davis-Bacon Act?	x		
8	Do you support equal rights for women?	x		
9	Do you support Federal and State regulation of greenhouse gases that are contributing to climate change?	x		
10	Do you support a constitutional amendment to limit free speech rights to persons, not corporations?	x		
11	Do you support public financing of campaigns?	x		

Please answer the following questions *		Yes*	No
1	Have you ever failed to pay any taxes or court ordered judgments?		x
2	Have you ever been found in violation of a Public Disclosure Commission, Federal Election Commission or Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission regulation?		x
3	Have you ever been convicted of a felony?		x

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\* If you answered "Yes" or "Qualified" please explain your answer.

Are you a member of another political party? If so, which ones? Have you ever supported or given money to a candidate from another party in a partisan race? If so, whom and when?

No, I have only given my money to Democrats running for office.

Are you a member of your local Democratic District Party? Have you contributed financially to any Democratic Organization? Have you been a Precinct Committee Officer? When/Where?

Yes, I have given money to many democrats but not to the party itself. I have never served as a PCO

What are the main messages of your campaign? What is your campaign plan? How many doors have you knocked on to date, pieces of mail planned, budgeting, staffing? What is the fundraising goal for your campaign? How much have you raised to date? Why will you win?

The 46<sup>th</sup> District needs a representative who has faced problems common to average citizens. Growing up in a working class family we were often on a shoe string budget. My mother often had to make food choices based on the maximum hunger control. I spent two nights on the streets of Seattle to see what it is like to be homeless and know person has ever done this. I believe that because of this I am ready to take the job as State Representative and lead by example.

What are the single most pressing issues facing your jurisdiction? What actions would you take if elected?

There are many issues facing the 46<sup>th</sup> LD. The first would be the money that we are cutting from the public school sector. This is making it extremely hard for us to teach our children and it is hurting their chances of going to college or getting a good job. If I am picked to be the next State Representative I will vote against any more school cuts. The second issue that is facing are county is jobs. Many people are struggling to find a good paying job because there's had to closes its doors down. I will work with other members of the State House to put members of Washington back to work.

If you are a candidate in a contested primary race, what record of performance, ability, experience, personal qualities, and positions on issues distinguish you from your opponent(s)? If you do not receive the nomination, is there any reason you could not support your Democratic opponent in the general election? Please explain.

I believe because I have experience in the issues facing Washington State. Many people are sick of politicians that were born with silver spoons and have never wonder what it is like to be homeless or have talked to families that are going through the hard times. If I do not win I will support my parties pick for the job.

Do you believe the current structure of taxes and/or fees that generate funds in your area are fair? If not, how would you change it?

I do not believe are taxes are fair many Americans cannot afford to pay them. It is not right that people have to struggle to put food on the table for their families. The State house needs to work on a fair tax I would make rich people pay there half of the bill by placing an income tax. This would put an end to a corrupted tax system and be fair for the rest of us.

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King County has a ten year plan to end homelessness. What ideas do you have to increase low income and affordable housing/?

There are many run down old building that the state can get for a steal. I would put money aside money to buy and fix up the buildings. This way we would have the space for homeless people to live.

What role should government play in the healthcare system?

People should not have to make a choice of buying Christmas presents for their kids or buying there medicine. I believe health care is a choice that it should be free to all people in Washington.

What is your position on civil rights for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered people? What is your position on equal rights for same-sex couples when it comes to benefits, civil unions, marriage and parental rights?

I hope all of us can one day get married to whomever they wish. If I am picked for the job I will be happy to vote with my friends to give people the right to get married.

What creative solutions can you offer to address the problems of the economically disadvantaged?

As a person who has seen what homeless people go though I do not want people to go through that. I will work to bring jobs to the Washington State buy working with companies. My father ran a small business so I am ready to give you a job.

I have read this questionnaire and understand and approve the content and all provided information.

Printed Name	Christopher Amelia Truppner	Date
Signature	Christopher Amelia Truppner	11/20/11