



Questions for Candidates for US Congress Offices from the Conservative Coalition of Harris County

Our questionnaire is designed to give the candidate space to indicate their reasons and opinions concerning issues surrounding their races. This questionnaire will be posted onto the Conservative Coalition of Harris County website for public voter viewing.

Candidate Name	Position for which Candidate is Running
Benson Gitau	US House of Representative District 7

Please give your answer to each of the following questions and please include your rationale with each answer. Please be concise and clear.

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1.	Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate in your political race.
	Answer: I served in the Marines for 4 years, and went on tour to the Persian Gulf war. That is where I learned leadership. I have also been a successful businessman which gives me the skills needed for this office. The last time we had an entrepreneur as a president, we achieved a lot of incredible milestones. We need leader; not politicians.

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2.	Please explain what you believe are the most significant issues in this race, why you are running for this position and what differentiates you from the other candidate(s).
	Answer: Vaccine and Mandates, 2nd Amendment, Immigration & Elections and Voting. I will oppose mandates and forced vaccines. People should have the right to choose. I will vote to uphold the second amendment. Immigration is a priority. I support the wall and controlled immigration. Voters need to provide ID to vote. I have experienced how uncontrolled immigration can affect a country negatively given the case of Kenya (where I was born) and Somalia. I am passionate about protecting this nation that way it doesn't end up like Kenya.

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3.	What will be your top 2 or 3 priorities during this upcoming term?
	Answer: Immigration and Voting security.

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4.	Please describe what you believe is the proper role for the federal government in job creation and intervention in the economy.
	Answer: The federal government should be spending heavily when the economy is not doing great, and withdraw from spending when the local economies are doing well.

5. Please describe your plan for balancing the federal budget. What budget items need to be cut (i.e., social programs) and what taxes and fees need to be increased?
Answer: We need to merge several departments that are not essential into one, and give them funding for one. We also need to watch the military budget. We can't have the military budget in an ever-expanding state while giving away military equipment to the Taliban. That doesn't make sense at all.
6. Should the federal government finance and build the border wall with Mexico? Should they allow the remaining materials from the Trump administration to be used by the state of Texas?
Answer: Yes. Immigration is a federal issue at this point.
7. Do you support defunding "Sanctuary Cities or States"? Should immigration laws be reformed?
Answer: That is correct. Immigration standards should be equal across all states.
8. Do you support defunding Planned Parenthood of all federal funds?
Answer: Yes
9. Should state or federal gun laws and restrictions be tightened?
Answer: I would like to illustrate that California, which is very restrictive when it comes to guns is the leading state with the highest number of mass shootings. Criminals do not care whether there are laws in place.

 What we can do to protect people is to make sure they're armed and able to respond appropriately to protect themselves. A good example is Keith Thomas Kinnunen who was stopped from shooting by an armed church member. If we disarm people, then incidents like those can result in hundreds of casualties.
10. Do you support or oppose the Build Back Better multitrillion-dollar spending bill before Congress? If not, do you have any ideas about what should be done?
Answer: I do not support a bill that is clearly impulse spending and adding into the national debt.
11. Should the Biden's administration have the power without congressional approval to create and enforce vaccine mandates?
Answer: No! Just no!
12. Should the US Congress legislate that November elections are under Federal control rather than the states regulating their own elections? What is the Federal government's role in setting voting rules and procedures for these elections, if any?
Answer: The federal government should get out of the way when it comes to that issue. Local governments should have all the control.

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Once this questionnaire has been completed, please email it to:

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