



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
Tim Stroud	Congressional 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.

- Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate in your political race.

Answer:
 America needs more statesmen in Congress that will listen to the needs of the community and go fight for them. I have listened and built sustainable programs that benefit others. After serving as a Combat Medic in the U.S. Army, I have worked on Federal, State and Local programs. Nationally, I've worked with officials to improve the healthcare system for Veterans through the VA and the White House. In Texas, I've worked with former Governor Rick Perry to launch an online program to connect Veterans and their families to benefits and resources. Locally, I've supported Law Enforcement Officers by founding a non-profit to help them in their time of need. After 10 years, all three of those programs are still going strong. (Community Cares, TexVet, KPD LEAF respectively.)

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:** Healthcare, the Economy and Security are three of the most significant issues in this race. I'm running for Congress because America needs elected officials who they can trust. My opponent, Lizzie Fletcher has shown her stripes and that tiger is looking out for special interest groups. She has publicly stated she was against the Build Back Better spending bill because it would compromise the care being provided to the community. She quickly flip flopped and voted for it, complete with all of the provisions she spoke against. By signing that bill, she cut funding from rural, children's and specialty hospitals. (Most of the other Republican candidates have not been to any Republican meetings/events/activities in the last year – or last 90 days. I think only three candidates showed up to the official ballot draw at the end of 2021.)
3. What will be your top 2 or 3 priorities during this upcoming term?
- Answer:**
 Security (Refunding the Police, 2nd Amendment Advocation and Securing the Southern Border)
 Improving the Healthcare System (and eliminating mandates)
 Improving the economy (cutting government pork and reducing inflation)
- Other top priorities will be addressing the following:
 Eliminating CRT, funding schools and giving choices to our families
 Election Integrity
4. Please describe what you believe is the proper role for the federal government in job creation and intervention in the economy.
- Answer:** America needs jobs to move the economy forward. Our federal government needs to support free enterprise and to pledge to limit borrowing and spending. Our debt clock is spinning out of control and we have to free America's energy resources and stop excessive government regulations.
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:** America faces a financial imbalance that threatens our economic strength and position of leadership on a global scale. We have many layers to consider to balance our budget. There are options to cut spending (eliminate 90% of the pork in our bills), decrease dependency on foreign oil and focus on America's resources. When in Congress, I will fight to fundamentally reform the budget process. The budget should be an actual piece of legislation, not just a resolution. It should be signed by the President or he should veto it.

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:** The federal government needs to ensure that all of our bordering states have the power and funding to secure America. Our initial focus should be completing our southern border and funding the military and security forces to properly patrol.
7. Do you support defunding “Sanctuary Cities or States”? Should immigration laws be reformed?
- Answer:** We have an amazing system where we welcome 1,000,000 immigrants into the USA. We need to enforce our immigration policy and ensure we don’t have an additional 2,000,000 insurgents circumventing the system. We should not fund any cities or states that operate outside our Rule of Law.
8. Do you support defunding Planned Parenthood of all federal funds?
- Answer:** Federal funds should not be used to fund abortions. Planned Parenthood is welcome to provide other resources that educate and foster women’s health.
9. Should state or federal gun laws and restrictions be tightened?
- Answer:** Absolutely not.
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:** Since there are some good programs listed in the BBB spending bill, I would be very myopic in my vision to simply oppose the entire document. However, it contains a large amount of “pork” and needs to be trimmed.
11. Should the Biden’s administration have the power without congressional approval to create and enforce vaccine mandates?
- Answer:** As a former Combat Medic in the U.S. Army, I was trained on providing health care to my soldiers. I studied how to bolster the human immune system naturally and also how to protect against Nuclear, Biological and Chemical threats. Worldwide, we have made some great strides in healthcare but mandating our citizens to get a vaccine goes against our core values.
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:** We should pay attention to other countries and how they have fared with their federal control of elections. Let’s empower each state to have fair and honest elections where every legal vote counts. We have state and federal IDs so we also do not have the need for a federal voting card. Let’s purge the voting files and work with non profits like “True the Vote” to ensure those who move out of a district or die are not on the rosters.

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