



Patriotic Millionaires 2020 Federal Candidate Questionnaire

The first step in seeking the Patriotic Millionaires' support is filling out this candidate questionnaire. We will endorse candidates in the 2020 general election for both the U.S. House and Senate.

Questionnaire responses are confidential and will be provided to members of our Candidate Selection Committee, who vet candidates and determine our endorsements. We will use these responses, in combination with your past statements and actions on our issues, to inform our endorsement decisions.

The second step of our endorsement process is an interview with the Candidate Selection Committee. If your responses meet Patriotic Millionaires' endorsing standards, we will reach out to your team schedule an interview.

If you have questions about this questionnaire or our candidate endorsement process, please reach out to Clark Lunday (clark@patrioticmillionaires.org).

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About you and your campaign

1. Candidate's First Name: *

2. Candidate's Last Name: *

3. Zip code: *

4. Office you are running for: *

Mark only one oval.

U.S. House of Representatives

U.S. Senate

5. State: *

6. Congressional District (if applicable) *

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7. Campaign Website: *

8. Campaign Twitter: *

9. Campaign Facebook: *

10. Type of race *

Mark only one oval.

- Open seat
- Challenging incumbent Republican
- Challenging incumbent Democrat
- Incumbent

11. Are you running against a politician who voted for the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017? *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No

12. Are you running against a politician who voted against the For the People Act (H.R. 1) of 2019? *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No

13. Are you running against a politician who voted against the Raise the Wage Act (H.R. 582) of 2019? *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No

14. Are you a current or former elected official? *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No

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15. If yes, what office?

16. Primary election date: *

Example: December 15, 2012

17. Have you ever been endorsed by the Patriotic Millionaires before? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

18. Are you currently serving in the U.S. Congress? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Issues

Fair Taxes

Members of the Patriotic Millionaires believe that the wealthy and large corporations who have benefitted most from our country's assets should pay a larger percentage of the tab for running the country. We believe that the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 was a colossal payoff to the donor class that rigged the tax code for the wealthy.

19. People who make their money through investments pay a lower rate than people who bring home a paycheck from an actual job. Would you support legislation that equalizes the tax rates on capital gains and ordinary income? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

20. If not, please explain why not:

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21. **Would you support a 10% surtax on all annual gross income over \$2 million (this would apply equally to ordinary income like wages and salary, and to investment income like capital gains and dividends)? ***

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

22. **If not, please explain why not:**

23. **Do you support the creation of additional tax brackets, including but not limited to a bracket that would ensure a 70% marginal tax rate on annual income above \$10 million? ***

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

24. **If not, please explain why not:**

25. **Under the current law, estates of \$22.4 million (couple) or \$11.2 million (for an individual) are exempted from paying tax. Would you lower that exemption? ***

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

26. **If so, how much would you lower it?**

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27. **Would you support a progressive inheritance tax that taxes inheritances at the rate of ordinary income? ***

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

28. **If not, please explain why not:**

29. **Would you support legislation that increases taxes on corporations based on the ratio of the company's executive pay to its average worker's pay? ***

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

30. **If not, please explain why not:**

31. **The Carried Interest Loophole lets fund managers mischaracterize ordinary income as capital gains. As a result, they pay roughly half the tax rate of everyone else. Do you support closing this loophole? ***

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Yes

No

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32. If not, please explain why not:

33. Patriotic Millionaires members define 'the rich' as individuals with an annual income over \$1 million and/or a net worth of at least \$5 million. Do you agree with this definition of the term 'rich?' *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No

34. If not, how would you characterize 'rich?'

35. This year, the Patriotic Millionaires launched an aggressive campaign called "Tax the Rich." Do you feel comfortable using this phrase in your campaign messaging? If not, how will you articulate your values on the issue of fair taxation? *

36. How would you characterize your commitment to the issue of fair taxation if elected to Congress? *

Mark only one oval.

- Champion
- Advocate
- Supporter
- Opponent

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37. Please provide any additional information we need to know about your approach to fair tax policy:

Wages

Members of the Patriotic Millionaires believe a full-time 40-hour workweek should guarantee a basic level of economic stability for an individual and their family. Millions of Americans are living paycheck-to-paycheck because the current federal minimum wage of \$7.25 hour is a poverty wage. We believe the federal government must guarantee a living wage to Americans working full time.

38. Do you support raising the federal minimum wage to \$15 an hour by 2025? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

39. If not, what in your mind is an acceptable level for the federal minimum wage?

40. In 2019, the House passed H.R. 582, the Raise the Wage Act. Would you have voted to pass this legislation in Congress? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

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41. If not, please explain why not:

42. Currently employers are allowed to pay workers a sub-minimum "tipped" wage of \$2.13 per hour if the employer claims that the employee makes enough in tips to earn at least the minimum wage (of \$7.25). Do you support "One Fair Wage", which would eliminate the sub-minimum wage and require all employers to pay all employees the federal minimum wage? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

43. If not, please explain why not:

44. How would you characterize your commitment to the issue of a livable minimum wage if elected to Congress? *

Mark only one oval.

Champion

Advocate

Supporter

Opponent

45. Please provide any additional information we need to know about your approach to a livable minimum wage:

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Political Equality

Members of the Patriotic Millionaires believe that every American deserves as much political power as millionaires. We support a range of democracy reform efforts to lift up the voices of regular people and to reduce the power of the wealthy and corporations to influence our political system.

46. Do you support establishing a system of publicly financed elections (a system in which candidates who choose to accept only small donations receive matching funds, or comparable voucher-based systems) for federal elections? *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No

47. If not, please explain why not:

48. Do you support a Constitutional Amendment to overturn the Supreme Court's 2010 Citizens United decision and give the federal government the power to regulate political spending and fund raising? *

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No

49. If not, please explain why not:

50. In 2019, the House passed H.R. 1, the For the People Act, a sweeping package of democracy reforms. Would you have voted to pass this legislation in Congress? *

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- Yes
- No

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51. If not, please explain why not:

52. Have you pledged to reject all corporate PAC contributions? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

53. If not, please explain why not: *

54. How would you characterize your commitment to the issue of campaign finance reform if elected to Congress? *

Mark only one oval.

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55. Please provide any additional information we need to know about your approach to campaign finance reform:

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Additional Information

Are you willing to make promises or pledges on issues that represent your core beliefs, so that voters know on which issues you will draw a line in the sand? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

Is there something exciting about your campaign that hasn't been addressed in the previous questions?

Campaign Contact Information

Campaign Manager Name: *

Campaign Manager Email: *

Campaign Manager Phone: *

Campaign Manager's preferred method of contact: *

Mark only one oval.

Phone

Text

Email

Communications Director Name

Communications Director Email

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