

Questionnaire for Candidates for BART Board District 4

BASIC CANDIDATE INFORMATION

1. Name as it will appear on the ballot: Monique Rivera
2. Office sought (include office, jurisdiction, position/district number)
BART Board of Directors District 4
3. What is your current occupation or elected office?
Business Manager
4. Are you the incumbent? Yes **No**
5. How long have you resided in this district and city?
20 years

CAMPAIGN CONTACTS

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OUR ISSUES (18-35 year olds)

Please answer the first four questions in 250 words or less

1. BART recently found itself with a budget surplus. What would you do for all of BART's riders and workers with this additional surplus?

Ensure additional training is provided to the BART police and staff that works with the public

Explore option to reduce rates

2. What are your top three priorities if you are elected to the BART board?

Accessibility
Accountability
Leadership

3. Do you support the Oakland Airport Connector project? Why or why not?

I do not support a project that runs through the community and does not make stops. The airport connector will help those who travel in and out of Oakland, but will by pass our current residence.

What will you do to ensure that BART appropriately addresses equity, access, and civil rights issues going forward, both with the OAC and other projects?

4. Last summer, BART faced a labor crisis. What are your views on how BART's directors managed the crisis? Could they have taken a different approach? If you were not a BART director at that time, how would you have handled it?

Employee participation

5. Assemblymember Tom Ammiano proposed a strict bill to put BART's police department under civilian oversight. His proposal failed in Sacramento. Did you support his plan? If not, why?

Yes to the extent there is fair representation by the BART Police

6. Have you collaborated with young adults in your community work in the past (list specific examples)?

Yes

Professional Affiliations and Community Activities:

- Industry: Professional Women in Construction and Construction Management Association of America
- Community Board Member: Oakland Community Action Program, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, U.N. 50th Anniversary Planning Committee
- Employee Organizations: Hispanic Employee Association, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
- Mentoring Program: Oakland Technical Institute, Calvin Simmon Middle, Hispanic Alumni Association, U.C. Berkeley

How are young adults involved in your campaign?

On campaign committee,
How will you continue to involve young activists in your work after you are elected?
Part of my community
Please be specific.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Please describe in detail at least three of your accomplishments that have improved the lives of young adults. These examples should illustrate skills and capabilities that apply to the office you are seeking. These accomplishments may have occurred at any time in your personal, professional, or public life.

Community Action Partnership
Mentoring

EXPERIENCE

Please list or describe your current and past activities in the community in which you have acquired skills that relate to the office you seek. Include your role in the activity and the year(s) in which you were involved. Involvement consists of many areas such as family, neighborhood, community, employment, or public life. Please explain how your experience would make you an effective advocate for young adults as an office holder. You may also list endorsements here.

- 15 years of experience managing information technology programs and enterprise resource projects; management and controls programs, and strategic marketing analysis and planning.
- Effectively managed multi-million dollar budgets while meeting stringent schedules and working with teams responsible for complex, high-visibility projects.
- Offer strong analytical, planning and management skills.
- Expertise in team building and mentoring.
- Extensive experience in managing project start up for large scale IT Infrastructure projects.
- Managed complex IT Infrastructure department that serviced multiple sites and systems.
- Successfully managed the quality assurance and testing process for large enterprise resource projects.
- Extensive background in the engineering-construction industry within the refinery, buildings, high-tech manufacturing, transportation, water systems and environmental sectors in the global marketplace.