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Q1

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Q2

What race are you running in? (LD? House? Senate?)

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Q5

Children who have year-round health insurance do better in school, are more likely to graduate from high school, are healthier, and earn more in adulthood. There are approximately 161,000 uninsured children in Arizona. If elected, how would you help ensure that all children and families have access to the health care that they need?

The best way to address our state's high uninsured rate among children is to expand the KidsCare program so that more kids are eligible, but I'm open to all ideas that would expand access to healthcare for our uninsured children.

Q6

We know that a child's earliest years, birth to age 8, are the most important for the development of their brains. High-quality early childhood experiences can enhance that development. How can the state take a role in helping parents give their children the best start in life?

The state of Arizona can help students get off to the best start in life by bringing back full day kindergarten and funding preschool programs. Like many education issues in our state, this comes back to funding and where our current legislative majority prioritizes—or doesn't prioritize—Arizona kids.

Q7

Many families in Arizona are struggling. Housing is becoming increasingly unaffordable, nearly one in four children live in poverty, and resources that used to be available to help families are no longer there. Research shows that when access to safety net resources are low, foster care populations are high. What is your plan to help children and families get the resources and services they need to keep them out of the child welfare system?

We need to expand access to childcare and paid family leave and strengthen preventative services to keep children with their families. We also need to invest more in The Housing Trust Fund.

Q8

Arizona has been among the bottom states in per pupil K-12 funding for the past decade which has resulted in severe challenges including teacher shortages, crowded classrooms, and insufficient student support services. How will you ensure that students in every neighborhood have access to quality, well-funded education in Arizona

Arizona should use its budget surplus to restore education funding and take us above 49th in the nation. Unfortunately, until we tie or flip the legislature, our current majority will continue to prioritize tax cuts, breaks, and loopholes rather than our kids.

Q9

Arizona's elected leaders have created a tax code that is upside down and regressive— meaning that those with low incomes pay a much higher share of their income in taxes compared to Arizona's highest income earners. If elected, what will you do to make sure that wealthy and corporations pay their share of taxes?

I will work to eliminate tax credits that only benefit the wealthy and corporations and don't do anything to stimulate our economy. I will also work to make our tax codes less regressive and more progressive.

Q10

As the cost of living is rising faster than wages in Arizona, many households are struggling to afford basic needs. If elected, what are three ways that you will improve economic well-being for Arizonans?

To improve the economic well-being of Arizonans I will raise the minimum wage, fully fund education, and lower the price of higher education by investing more into our higher education system.
