

# VOTER'S PAMPHLET

## LOCAL NONPARTISAN CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

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Statement of **RICHARD CLARK**, Candidate for  
Director  
Scotts Valley Fire Protection District

**Occupation:** Incumbent/Retired Silicon Valley Executive

I have been a Director of the Scotts Valley Fire Protection District since 1996 and I am seeking re-election to a new 4-year term.

I represent the entire community in all matters that come before the Board, and have used my management experience to help the District achieve and maintain a solid financial position.

In the past ten years the District has been able to add a new fire station to improve responses for residents in the northern end of the city and the mountains above Scotts Valley; add Paramedic services benefiting all residents; and establish financial reserves sufficient to fund all our equipment purchases without borrowing. Our reserves have also allowed us to weather large cost increases from workers compensation insurance and employee pension funds without having to reduce service to the community. We also now employ long range financial planning.

Coming challenges for the District where I will make sure the community's needs are served include:

Maintaining staffing excellence as we encounter turnover due to retirements.

Re-balancing and improving response times throughout the District (critical for medical emergencies as well as fires).

Maintaining all services plus an adequate financial reserve in the face of increased costs.

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Statement of **RUDY J. CABIGAS**, Candidate for  
Director  
Scotts Valley Fire Protection District

**Occupation:** Retired Fire Fighter

**Age:** 55

I have lived in Scotts Valley for 22 years. I am married and have one 16-year-old daughter.

I retired at Fire Captain Rank from the San Jose Fire Department after 30 years of service and plan to stay in Scotts Valley.

I have served as Fire Director for the last 4 years. During this time, I served on the Facilities, Personnel and Policies Committee's.

My goal is to build the La Madrona Fire Station.

This year we tried to get a Bond to build the La Madrona Station and failed by 71 votes. I am heading the La Madrona Committee for the November Measure Ballot and will be working hard to get this Bond passed. I am calling on all that voted yes to bring three other voters to show that this community cares about each other. We need 67 percent but let's get 85 percent and show we care about our Neighbors and Community. The La Madrona Station will provide the best balance and coverage for the entire District.

Time Saves Lives and this is what the new Station will do.

Vote for fiscal responsibility, experience and dedication. Please vote for the Fire Station and me.

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Statement of **JOHN C. WALSH**, Candidate for  
Director  
Scotts Valley Fire Protection District

**Occupation:** Fire Fighter

**Age:** 32

As a resident and home owner in Scotts Valley, I have a strong desire to be active and serve in the community. I will bring a fresh perspective to the Board regarding the needs of the local Fire Fighters as well as the financial challenges of the District.

My experience includes:

- Endorsement by the Scotts Valley Fire Fighters Assn.
- Professional Fire Fighter/Paramedic with the San Jose Fire Department.
- My wife Tiffany and I own and manage a small business employing 26 part time employees.
- BA, Law & Society from UCSB.

As a professional fire fighter I have knowledge of the job responsibility as well as the need for adequate training and equipment. Through experience as a small business owner I am aware of budget challenges and the need for fiscal responsibility.

If elected, I will:

- Focus on relocation of the fire station, which will reduce response times and save lives.
- Work closely with the Board members to ensure that the fire fighters have adequate training and equipment to perform their job safely and efficiently.
- Practice fiscal responsibility, operate within the district budget, and improve emergency service.

A vote for me is a vote for accountability, cooperation and community safety.

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