

# Special Election For Fresno City Council District 2

Progressives have the opportunity to increase the left/progressive margin on the Fresno City Council. Because Tea Party supporter Steve Brandau has moved on to the Board of Supervisors, there will be a special election on Aug. 13 to fill his vacated City Council seat.

There are two Central Valley Progressive PAC members in the race. Mike Karbassi and Oscar Sandoval will run against candidates supported by the mayor, the police chief, builders and developers.

It is unlikely that anyone will get a majority in this special election. That will lead to a runoff in November of this year.

As the election gets closer, the CVPPAC will provide more information about the candidates. With a 5-1 advantage (Democrats/Republican) now on the Fresno City

Council, we can win on a lot of issues that progressives care about. A 6-1 advantage would be awesome. In 2020, we will be eyeing electing a progressive mayor.

## CVPPAC to Offer Training

The CVPPAC will hold a training for people interested in being a treasurer for a candidate, a ballot measure or a political group.

Carole Laval is organizing this event, which will be held at the Fresno Center for Nonviolence (1584 N. Van Ness Ave.) on May 25 from 1 p.m. to 3 pm. Reserve your place by May 15 by contacting Laval at 559-289-3989 or claval@comcast.net. There will be a \$10 fee and scholarships are available.

The CVPPAC has identified a critical need for more competent treasurers. If we are going to run

viable electoral campaigns, we need campaign workers who can address this important task. If you are interested in this workshop, let us know.

## uSpark: A New Initiative to Get More Youth Involved

A new political multimedia group targeting Millennials and Generation Z started in April. Its goal is to reach young people in the San Joaquin Valley with a medium they can relate to—social media.

uSpark is committed to educating this key and informing demographic about Valley issues that matter most to them. For more information, visit <https://www.patreon.com/uSparkValley>.

## Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Central Valley Progressive PAC will be May 12 at 3:30 p.m. at the Fresno Center for Nonviolence (1584 N. Van Ness Ave.).

For more information about this meeting, contact Simone Cranston-Rhodes at 559-978-4504 or [simone.rhodes@seiu521.org](mailto:simone.rhodes@seiu521.org). Learn more about the CVPPAC at [www.cvppac.org](http://www.cvppac.org).

Do you want. . .



*Join us as we continue our strategic plan to elect progressives to local office, build a labor/community alliance, demand clean air, clean water, police accountability and for all workers to earn a living wage. With your support we will win political power.*

### YES, I want to join the CVPPAC

- Enclosed is \$100 for one year's membership.  
 I would prefer to pay monthly (\$8.33)  
 Student/low income rate: \$20 a year.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: Central Valley Progressive PAC, P.O. Box 5845, Fresno, Ca 93755  
 To pay with PayPal or credit card, go to [www.cvppac.org](http://www.cvppac.org)

## Introduction to Campaign Reporting



### Date: Saturday, May 25

Times: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm  
 Location: Center for Nonviolence, 1584 N. Van Ness Avenue (Van Ness and McKinley Avenues)  
 Fee: \$10.00 fee (scholarships available)

**Learn about the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) requirements and compliance.**

**Our local candidates and clubs need your help!**

*\*Seating is limited for this first offering\**  
 We need your reservation by May 15:  
 call: 559-289-3989 or e-mail: [claval@comcast.net](mailto:claval@comcast.net)

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