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FRESNO COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY FUND-RAISER

NINTH ANNUAL FUND-RAISER DINNER
FOR THE FRESNO COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

BLUE WAVE: OUR FUTURE

EVENT DETAILS

FRIDAY, MAY 3

5:30 P.M.—6:30 P.M.

COCKTAILS AND NETWORKING

6:30 P.M.—8 P.M.

DINNER AND PROGRAM

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2257 W. SHAW AVE., FRESNO

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER:



US PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE JULIÁN CASTRO

Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in the Obama Administration; former Mayor and City Council Member in San Antonio.

EMCEE: Danny Morrison of 103.9 The Beat

RECOGNIZING NEWLY ELECTED DEMOCRATS:

TJ Cox, Anna Caballero, Melissa Hurtado, Magdalena Gomez, Annalisa Perea, Miguel Arias, Nelson Esparza, Jewel Hurtado, Kimberly Tapscott-Munson, Veva Islas, Keisha Thomas, Eliseo Gamino and Daren Miller

ALSO RECOGNIZING:

Andrew Janz, Janet Sangster and Giselle Gasca

HEADED TO VICTORIES IN 2020

- Your contribution will help us turn out voters in the crucial 2020 election.
- Your support will help us register voters, educate voters and get out the vote to elect candidates devoted to making our community better.
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Keynote Speaker

Julian Castro is a candidate for U.S. President who previously served as Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in the Obama administration. His campaign slogan is “One Nation. One Destiny.” Castro has spent the past several years traveling around the nation talking to Americans about their hopes, their dreams and their fears about the future.

“Americans from all walks of life want the same thing: to do right by our families and have the promise of America fulfilled,” Castro says. “And I believe that’s exactly what we can do: We can promise young people that college doesn’t have to equal a future of crushing debt. We can promise our seniors that they can count on a life of dignity. We can promise our veterans that they’ll be respected and honored when they come home. We can promise people of color that they are safe, and promise immigrants that they are welcome.

“I’m running for President because I believe, that if we work together, we can make—and keep—that promise to every American and work towards a future for all of us.”

Emcee

Danny Morrison is an on-air personality with 103.9—The Beat, founder of the Project D.Y.N.A.M.O. mentoring program, a mentor, a social/community activist and a motivational speaker. Born and raised in Bakersfield, Morrison gives back to the community where he was raised through community service.

Honorees

TJ Cox was elected to U.S. Congress District 21 in 2018. This House race was the last of 40 races nationwide to be called for Democrats in November 2018. Previously, Cox was an engineer and small businessperson with a passion for community development. In Congress, he serves on the Agriculture and Natural Resources committees.

Anna Caballero was elected to the State Senate in District 12 in 2018. Caballero has a 30-year legacy of public service most recently having served in the State Assembly. She served in Gov. Jerry Brown’s cabinet as Secretary of the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency. Earlier in her career, she served on the Salinas City Council and as the mayor of Salinas.

Melissa Hurtado was elected to the State Senate in District 14 in 2018. She is the youngest woman to be elected to the State Senate. Previously, Hurtado served on the Sanger City Council and worked as a community organizer for public employees, leading the fight for good wages, healthcare coverage and retirement security.

Magdalena Gomez was elected to the State Center Community College District in Trustee Area 4—the Reedley College area—in 2018. Gomez grew up in rural Fresno County, and returned home after working in the financial sector with Smith Barney and Bay View Community Bank. She now has her own business helping local entities with capacity building.

Annalisa Perea was elected to the State Center Community College District in Trustee Area 5—central, northwest, southwest and southeast Fresno—in 2018. Perea is a senior associate urban planner in the private sector, where she works extensively on local environmental, economic and community development issues.

Miguel Arias was elected to Fresno City Council District 3 in 2018. Arias previously served on the State Center Community College District in Trustee Area 5. His resume includes working as the chief information officer for the Fresno Unified School District, chief of staff for former Fresno City Council Member Blong Xiong and a legislative aide for former Rep. Calvin Dooley.

Nelson Esparza was elected to Fresno City Council District 7 in 2018. Esparza previously served on the Fresno County Board of Education in Trustee Area 3. Esparza is an economics instructor at Fresno City College and an active volunteer in the community working with organizations that serve youth and move Fresno forward.

Jewel Hurtado was elected to Kingsburg City Council District 1 in 2018 by just eight votes. At age 20, Hurtado might be the youngest elected official in Fresno County history. She previously served as a Democratic State Central Committee delegate and volunteered for the Bernie Sanders presidential campaign. She says that she comes from a family of politically minded individuals.

Kimberly Tapscott-Munson was elected to the Fresno County Board of Education in Trustee Area 1 in 2018. She is a retired school librarian with 20 years of service to public schools. She participated on Fresno’s TCC Planning Committee and was among the plaintiffs in a lawsuit by west Fresno residents against the owners of a polluting rendering plant in their neighborhood.

Daren Miller was appointed to the Fresno County Board of Education in Trustee Area 3 in March 2019. Miller has worked as a public-school educator for 29 years as a teacher, coach, club adviser, counselor, vice principal and principal in numerous school districts. Earlier this year, he was elected as a delegate to the Democratic State Central Committee in Assembly District 31.

Keisha Thomas was elected to Trustee Area 1 of the Fresno Unified School District in 2018. She has taught algebra and geometry, directed a Careers Program and served as a vice principal in public schools. Thomas is a member of the West Fresno Democratic Club and the assistant director of the Women’s Missionary Union’s homeless ministry.

Veva Islas was elected to Trustee Area 4 of the Fresno Unified School District in 2018. Islas is the founder and director of Cultiva La Salud, which promotes healthier communities. She is a recognized Culture of Health Leader by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and serves on the boards of the Community Water Center and the California Institute for Rural Studies.

Eliseo Gamino was elected as a trustee to the Firebaugh-Las Deltas School District in 2018. He is the founder of the Central Valley Leadership Round Table, which is uniting rural communities throughout the San Joaquin Valley. Previously, he was an education adjunct instructor and associate dean of student learning at West Hills Community College.

Andrew Janz is with the Fresno County District Attorney’s Office assigned to the Violent Crimes Unit. In 2018, he raised more than \$9.2 million, the most of any House-side challenger in the country, in his bid to unseat former House Intelligence Committee chair Devin Nunes for a Congressional seat in one of the most watched House races in the country.

Janet Sangster is a longtime Democratic activist having previously served as president of the Fresno County Democratic Women’s Club and a member of the Fresno County Democratic Central Committee. She currently serves as treasurer of the FCDWC and produces the monthly newsletter. With life partner Pat Barr, Sangster runs Urban Salvage of the Central Valley.

Giselle Gasca was born in Toluca, Mexico, and grew up in Visalia. She migrated with her family to the United States to pursue the American Dream at a young age. She began work with Mi Familia Vota in 2014 as a canvasser and is now the Fresno regional coordinator. She believes that being empowered is great but that empowering others is just beyond words.

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