



SCF Candidate and Elected Official Policy

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GENERAL POLICY: As a general policy, the South County Federation(SCF) does not endorse candidates for political offices, but in the interest of providing relevant information to our community, the SCF does provide a forum for both elected officials and, from time to time, candidates for political offices, to provide information to the community.

Anyone who lives within the SCF boundaries or who has an interest in our community can, and is encouraged, to attend and participate in our monthly meetings - all are welcome.

Elected officials are periodically given time to share information of interest to the community and to respond to questions from the community.

Periodically, the SCF may hold a candidate forum during which time candidates for offices, that include some or all of the SCF area, will be invited and allotted equal time to make a brief presentation to the community. Time permitting, a question-and-answer period may also be held at the discretion of, and moderated by, the SCF Executive Committee.

Candidates for upcoming elections: With prior arrangement and as meeting time permits, candidates for offices that include some or all of the SCF area are welcome to BRIEFLY introduce themselves (including name; area/HOA where they live; office they are seeking; Party affiliation; website; contact information). We would generally not plan to include a question-and-answer period during such an introduction. Additionally, campaigning is not appropriate at SCF meetings, other than at specifically planned candidate forums during a candidate's allotted time. Prior arrangements should be made with the SCF President or designee in order to include time for the candidate on the meeting agenda and to discuss and obtain the candidate's agreement to abide by the SCF guidelines and policy.

If an individual is a candidate for office and is also a resident of the SCF area, they are certainly permitted to participate in SCF meetings and to express their opinion regarding ongoing SCF discussions, to the same extent as any other member of the Federation.

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