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STEPH ROUTH FOR EAST PORTLAND CAMPAIGN BECOMES FIRST IN DISTRICT 1 TO BE OFFICIALLY CERTIFIED WITH THE SMALL DONOR ELECTIONS PROGRAM

Steph Routh's grassroots campaign joins three others as a qualified Small Donor Election campaign

Portland, OR—The [Steph Routh for East Portland](#) campaign has been certified for Portland's Small Donor Elections program, making it the first campaign in District 1 to qualify officially. As of February 29, Steph Routh for East Portland has over 600 individual donors, approximately 550 of whom are Portland residents. About 60% of Routh's campaign donors gave \$25 or less. Routh joins just three others so far—Chad Lykins of District 4, and Angelita Morillo and Robin Ye of District 3—as qualifying campaigns.

"We are thrilled to be certified through the [Small Donor Elections](#) program because it seeks to reduce the influence of big money in politics and make values-based campaigns like ours viable," said Steph Routh, [Portland City Council Candidate for District 1, East Portland](#). "After a successful campaign launch on January 26 with over 175 people in attendance, this news affirms the breadth and depth of our community support. It is both humbling and motivating."

"Accountability and transparency in elections and government are values we all share," noted Monica Santoyo, the campaign's treasurer. "I am proud to be part of a campaign that cares about getting the details right and honoring the contributions of people from all backgrounds."

[Steph Routh for East Portland's priorities](#) are community safety, shelter and housing, climate action, shared prosperity, and creating a better government in this historic race. Thanks to the passage of the Portland Charter Reform last November, the 2024 election is a rare chance to build a more collaborative organizational culture in Portland city government. Steph Routh for East Portland's team knows that successful action on the campaign trail will rely on collaboration with other candidates. Routh is engaged with good governance campaigns and is committed to advancing a coalition of voices that are ready to build our future.

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