



Action in Montgomery
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AIM County Executive Candidate Questionnaire

CANDIDATE's NAME: ROBIN FICKER

Action in Montgomery (AIM) is a broad-based community power organization, rooted in Montgomery County's neighborhoods and congregations. We are non-partisan, multi-faith, multi-racial, and dedicated to making our county and state a better place to live and thrive. You'll find us working for change: door-to-door and in living rooms, in churches and classrooms, in front of the County Council and at the State House in Annapolis. We have over 30 member institutions--congregations, schools and non-profit organizations--who represent over 50,000 residents of Montgomery County.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

How will you work with AIM to double both the production and preservation of affordable housing in Montgomery County by 2022? *

It is one of my top priorities.

Please provide specific information on how you would work with AIM to increase the Housing Initiative Fund to \$100M by the year 2022, put 200 units of affordable housing on public land, in the development pipeline each year, and increase the density of housing and affordable housing near transit hubs. *

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IMMIGRATION

Many Montgomery County families are living in fear of one or more parent being separated from their children because of deportation. How will you work with AIM to provide 20 additional immigration lawyers in Montgomery County who can provide their services to protect individuals and families from deportation? *

Yes we need a broad immigration education and help program at the 3 MoCoCollege campuses.

EQUITY IN EDUCATION

How will you work with AIM to expand the Excel Beyond the Bell Elementary program to four additional Title I elementary schools each year so that the program serves 2,400 students by the year 2022? *

Strongly support after school programs at ALL schools.

How will you work with AIM and the MCPS School Board and Superintendent to address bullying in schools, particularly the increased bullying of Muslim students, and to ensure access to Friday afternoon and daily prayers for Muslim students? *

I'll attend school board meetings and make known to them my views after the meetings.

TRANSPORTATION

How will you work with AIM to hold WMATA accountable to NOT privatize its workforce, and NOT cut bus service in our region?

Closely

Democracy with Accountability

If you are elected, will you commit to meeting with AIM in the first 30 days of your term, and to personally attending an AIM Accountability action in the first 3 months of 2019? *

Yes