



Joint County Voters' Pamphlet

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Candidate Statement

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Name of Candidate (as it should appear on ballot): Ashton Simpson

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Candidate Information

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Occupation (Present Employment)

Metro Councilor, Small Business Owner

Occupational Background (Previous Employment)

Construction Project Engineer, Nonprofit Leader, U.S. Air Force

Educational Background (Schools Attended)

Portland State, B.S.

Prior Governmental Experience (elected or appointed)

Portland Metro Workforce Development Board, Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation

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Fierce Advocate, Proven Leader

A proud resident of East County, Ashton is fighting for us. Ashton knows our communities deserve their fair share, but our streets are less safe, we have fewer parks, and people must travel farther for work, shopping, and recreation. That's why he's:

- Expanded training on public projects for family-wage careers in construction, especially for underserved communities.
- Directed efforts with cities and counties to build more housing and reduce homelessness.
- Delivered transportation investments to improve safety and congestion in East Portland.

Driven to Serve

Ashton knows many are struggling. Growing up seeing how government neglect impacted his neighborhood, Ashton has become a champion for his community. At Metro, he works relentlessly to reverse decades of disinvestment and provide for the people of East Portland and East County.

Ashton's priorities:

Providing A Fair Share for East County

Keeping East County Affordable

Creating Dignity, Determination, & the Tools to Thrive

Building Neighborhood Community and Vibrancy

Rejecting Trump's Division and Hate

"Together, we can continue creating an East Portland that supports every part of our community, and everyone who calls it home."

Ashton Simpson

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Portland Metropolitan Association of Realtors

Portland Metro Chamber

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Building Power for Communities of Color

North Coast States Carpenters Union

Teamsters Joint Council No. 37

UFCW 555

Oregon Futures Lab & Color PAC

East County Rising

Latino Network Action Fund

Home Building Association of Greater Portland

Portland Fire Fighters' Association, IAFF Local 43

Portland For All

Mayors Travis Stovall (Gresham), Jairo Rios-Campos (Wood Village), Dave Ripma (Troutdale),
Keith Wilson (Portland)

Metro Councilors Juan Carlos Gonzalez, Christine Lewis, Duncan Hwang

Rep. Ricki Ruiz, **Rep.** Zach Hudson

Gresham City Councilor Eddy Morales

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