## Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Candidate Statement

Important! Read all instructions before completing this form.	
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Filing Information	
Election Date: Mary 21, 2024	Amended Statement
Name of Candidate (as it should appear on the ballot):	
Kevin Fitts	
Filing for the Office of: Multnomah County Commissioner	
District/Position: District 1	
"This information furnished by" (Required: Name of Candidate or Committee as it shou	ld appear in the Voters' Pampblet):
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Warning: Any person who supplies information in the Required portion of a Voters' Pamphlet statement, knowing it to be false, is subject upon conviction of a Class C felony, to imprisonment for up to five years or to a fine of \$125,000, or both.  ORS 260.715 (1); 260.993; 161.605; and 161.625.  Note: Language which violates any provision of ORS 251.415 will be excluded from the Voters' Pamphlet  By signing this document, I hereby state:  - That all information provided by me on this form and in this 'Candidate Statement' is true to the best of my knowledge;  - I am the author of this 'Candidate Statement' (ORS 251.415);  - I have read and understand the instructions for submitting this 'Candidate Statement'; and  - The portrait, if provided, is less than four (4) years old.  Signature of Candidate or Agent on behalf of Candidate  Date signed	
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Required Info?   Yes   No	Word Count (325 max):  Providing digital copy? Yes No  Received digital copy? Yes No  Review Staff Initials:
Intake Staff Initials: None	

Occupation: Executive Director, Oregon Mental Health Consumers Association

Occupational Background: 30+ years in the behavioral health field

Educational Background: Portland Community College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Consumer Advisory Council; Multnomah County Behavioral Health Advisory Council; Governor's Behavioral Health Advisory Council; Oregon Psilocybin Advisory Board; National Advisory Council Subcommittee on Consumer/Survivor Issues for CMHS; Oregon Addictions and Mental Health Planning Advisory Council; Oregon National Guard, SCC/DPO.

"I'm running for County Commissioner because I have the work experience and productive working relationships with stakeholders to revitalize county leadership. My perspective-including lived experience overcoming challenges related to mental illness, addiction, and homelessness- will energize partnerships for crucial progress towards fulfilling shared community values."- Kevin Fitts

## **Endorsements:**

- "As a long term Union advocate with AFSCME, I worked with Kevin for affordable and accessible Mental Health Services in Multnomah County. I am happy to endorse his candidacy." Mary Botkin, retired AFSCME union advocate
- "If you are like me, embarrassed by local government, how about trying someone who knows what they are doing. I have known Kevin for thirty years and there is no one I respect more." Michael T. Bailey, Past President of the National Disability Rights Network
- "Kevin is passionate and caring and can articulate solutions and build bridges between
  people with different perspectives in ways that are remarkable. He would do an amazing job
  in this position" --Mark Salzer, Ph.D., university professor, and internationally-known
  researcher in the area of MH services
- "Kevin is a long-time champion for people suffering mental health challenges, which is
  PRECISELY what Multnomah County needs RIGHT NOW to help resolve the public health
  crisis in the county" Julie Parrish, Former Oregon Legislator & House Health Care
  Committee Member
- Other Endorsements: Deborah Kafoury; Amanda Fritz; Laura Rose Misaras, MPA NFPM Consultant and Advocate; Jim Robison; Molly Griggs; David Oaks; Braunwynn Franklin, Chair, National Coalition for Mental Health Recovery; Daniel Fisher, MD, PhD; Joseph Rogers; Amy Baker; Ali Koch; Ronald W. Mandershheid, PhD., and others!

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