



Joint County Voters' Pamphlet

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Candidate Statement

ORS 251.335

Filing Information

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Name of Candidate (as it should appear on ballot): Serena Cruz

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Candidate Information

Submitted by (Candidate or Candidate's Agent): Serena Maria Cruz

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Occupation (Present Employment)

Founder, Adelante Impact

Occupational Background (Previous Employment)

County Commissioner; Small Business Owner; Nonprofit Executive Director; Chief Operating Officer

Educational Background (Schools Attended)

Harvard, MPP; UC Berkeley, JD; Lewis & Clark, BA

Prior Governmental Experience (elected or appointed)

Multnomah County: Commissioner; Chief Operating Officer

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Local government **CAN** work better for people in North and Northeast Portland. As the youngest woman and first Latina County Commissioner, and later as County COO, I know how to make the County work effectively so we **CAN** solve local problems.

Rank me #1 because:

We CAN house our neighbors experiencing homelessness, mental illness, and addiction. As County Commissioner, I brought four counties together to build Bridges to Housing for homeless

families. I will align housing, treatment, and support services to get people off the streets and on a path to stability.

We CAN be the most family-friendly county in Oregon. Everyone benefits when children have access to high-quality preschool. As a nonprofit executive director and the County's COO, I've built effective teams and budgets, and will use your hard-earned dollars to ensure every child is ready for kindergarten.

We CAN have family wage jobs and a resilient economy. I cofounded a construction company that built Oregon's first land trust condominiums, giving renters pathways to homeownership. I will fight for small businesses and public investments with real community benefits.

"Serena listens, engages the people impacted, and gets things done.

That combination is rare, and it's what this County needs."

-Congressman Earl Blumenauer (retired)

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Metro Council President Juan Carlos González

Sen. Margaret Carter

Sen. Khanh Pham

Rep. Tawna Sanchez

Commissioner Susheela Jayapal

Commissioner Carmen Rubio

APANO Action Fund

Basic Rights PAC

Building Power for Communities of Color

Columbia Pacific Building Trades Council

East County Rising

Latino Network Action Fund

NAYA Action Fund

NW Oregon Labor Council

Planned Parenthood Action Oregon

Portland Association of Teachers

Portland For All

SEIU Oregon

The Street Trust Action Fund

UFCW 555

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Serena Cruz

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