



Joint County Voters' Pamphlet

Candidate Statement

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Name of Candidate (as it should appear on ballot): Michael Johnson

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Candidate Information

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Occupation (Present Employment)

Founder, Executive Director, Take 3 Outreach Services; Environmental Services Professional

Occupational Background (Previous Employment)

Community Safety Advocate; Nonprofit Fundraiser

Educational Background (Schools Attended)

Benson High School graduate; Portland Community College and Clark College coursework in public policy and business management

Prior Governmental Experience (elected or appointed)

Member, OHSU-PSU Gun Violence Review Commission; Community Public Safety Policy Advisor to multiple elected offices

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Working to make communities safe, vibrant, and prosperous.

I am a lifelong Portlander running for City Council to bring practical, people-first solutions to District 3. After losing my son Marlan to gun violence in 2023, I turned grief into action, joining Parents of Murdered Children and the OHSU Gun Violence Review Commission. My viewpoint is Redemptive Justice: those closest to the problem are closest to the solution.

Public Safety: I will treat gun and gang violence as a public health crisis, pairing community policing and accountability with the credible messenger outreach that has kept our young people alive. I support a fully staffed, fully accountable Police Bureau, Fire & Rescue, CHAT, and Street Response working together, not pitted against each other.

Affordability & Housing: Black, brown, and working-class families have struggled to afford Portland for as long as I've been alive. I will expand housing options like tiny homes and rent-to-ownership pathways, work with the county to grow transitional shelter and mental-health resources, and streamline permitting and fees so small businesses can open their doors. Electing me tells investors Portland is open for business again.

Fiscal Accountability: With \$106 million in unbudgeted city housing funds uncovered earlier this year, we need transparent budgeting, performance reporting and oversight from organizations receiving city tax dollars. I bring experience building public-private partnerships to entice outside investment and find unique ways to fill budget gaps.

Together, we can build a safer, more prosperous Portland that works for every resident in District 3. I humbly ask for your vote.

Read more at: www.michaeljohnsonfororegon.com

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Michael Johnson

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