



## Encinitas 4 Equality | 2020 Candidate Questionnaire & Responses

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Responses of **Tony Kranz**, candidate for **Encinitas City Council**,  
**District 1**

1. What policies, goals, or priorities do you support related to housing in Encinitas? What housing policies have you seen enacted elsewhere in California or the US that you would like to replicate here?

*Tony Kranz: I have been working since 2014 to get a housing element with multi-family housing approved. In 2019 it finally happened. We will be working to update the plan and will likely promote additional housing that would be convenient to transit.*

2. What is your stance on affirmative action in California? Do you support Proposition 16 and the attempt to repeal the ban on affirmative action in California?

*Tony Kranz: I support Affirmative Action programs so Yes on Proposition 16.*

3. The United States Commission on Civil Rights issued a memo on November 15, 2008 that stated "The best available evidence reflects high rates of use of force nationally, and increased likelihood of police use of force against People of Color, people with disabilities, LGBT people, people with mental health concerns, people with low incomes, and those at the intersections of these groups." Do you believe that police use of force, specifically when interacting with People of Color, people with disabilities, LGBT people, people with mental health concerns, and people with low incomes, is an issue that needs to be addressed by the local government in Encinitas? If not, why not? If so, what reforms would you propose?

**Tony Kranz:** *I don't think it is a significant issue in Encinitas but I support the creation of a commission that would be exploring matters of public health, civil rights and programs that would contribute to making minority groups feel more welcome.*

4. According to the California Department of Education, 62% of San Diego County public school teachers are White while more than 70% of the County's students identify as People of Color. Do you believe it is important to hire teachers, administrators, and counselors that reflect the demographics of the student body they serve? If not, why not? If so, what reforms would you support to promote the hiring of qualified People of Color as administrators, teachers, and counselors?

**Tony Kranz:** *I would encourage the federal and state governments to incentivize People of Color to pursue careers in education.*

5. San Diego Unified and Los Angeles Unified School Districts acknowledged that school closures, online learning, and incomplete access to technology are believed to have caused massive learning losses for many students, particularly low-income students. In light of the recent surge of COVID-19 cases and cancellation of in person classes, what are your proposals to help youth who struggle with absent parents, no internet, lack of meals, and lost job opportunities?

**Tony Kranz:** *The city should be working with Cox to expand neighborhood WiFi hotspots in disadvantaged neighborhoods.*