



**Coconino Coalition for
Children & Youth**
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2020 Candidate Questionnaire

**CCC&Y is a non-partisan organization and will not endorse candidates. We do support educated, engaged and participatory communities. Thank you to all the candidates for your willingness to serve the community, and especially, by answering this questionnaire, helping voters to become informed.*

The responses from the candidates will be uploaded to our website <https://coconinokids.org/candidates-2020/> as received without edits.

Directions: Please provide **your** response for the questions and information below without referring to another candidate. **Questionnaires that mention another candidate will not be posted.**

Candidate Name: **Perry Kapadia.** <https://www.perrykapadia.com/>

Office: **U.S. Senate. A write-in candidate from Arizona 2020.**

The mission of CCC&Y is: Igniting collective action to cultivate, honor & empower resilient, thriving communities.

The vision of CCC&Y is: We envision a holistic community where all children of Coconino County are increasingly free from trauma experience and all have equitable opportunities that build resiliency.

Question: Please describe how your leadership and sphere of influence will impact this mission and vision; paying special attention to issues involving education, child welfare, environmental equity, and criminal justice reform?

Answer: Answer: Thank you taking time to read thru my thoughts.

First and foremost, we need to make sure that there is equality in basic living standard, and the freedom to increase the standard of living who pursue it. Let us begin by extending the basic human courtesy, respect to humanity, and the opportunity and appreciation for generating wealth who can. This will create a calm and loving family system thereby creating a calm and loving society, which in itself will act as a prevention and cure to various social evils. Once this is achieved, I would look into Inequality and divisiveness over income, wealth, job-titles, gender, race, regional development, and ideology.

Why I say this is because a strong loving family system is the DNA, the fundamental building block, of a happy balanced secured society. A family where children have the joy and freedom for their expression and the safety of a cozy warm fuzzy home is what I envision our America to

be.

As, a son, husband, and father I speak from experience.

Education is the very essence of a good individual future and a good society. Think about it, there are so many good and bad things in the world including ours and if you analyze deeply the one common thread that demarcates them all education. Educated people and societies thrive and behave differently than the uneducated ones. Make no mistake, education is not only the formal academic education, but the education that begins from home as children start to recognize their surroundings.

There are many ways to make a profit but education and wellbeing of an individual is certainly not one of them. A person should have the fundamental birth constitutional right to education as long as they want to pursue it, in the direction that interests them. Once they achieve that their individual success will contribute to the very society that provided them the opportunity to learn.

I support laws that treat climate change as real and make sure that our environment, our incomes, and our opportunities for our and our children's future is safeguarded and guaranteed. I favor all the laws and policies to promote climate change; whereas I don't support any way in which climate change is used as an excuse to create policies for self-gain by individuals and corporations.

Climate change is a global effect and effort, so we need laws and policies in place to safeguard the interest of our people, first and foremost, then the people of the world. With American leadership, domestically and globally we will achieve a beautiful future.

Justice system should be human-centric. What that means is justice system should have the end goal of correcting the vice and enhancing the individual. Checks and balances should be in place along with audits to make sure our justice system is accounted for and the data obtained via the checks and balances system and audits utilized to improve the system.

Let me take this opportunity to talk about a new horizon. Times have changed and the world that we live in today is equipped with the power of representation in every human's hand, as a smartphone or a computer.

Whereas I see the future need of elected members/leaders to debate on matters; I certainly see that we are very well equipped to get the voice of each and every individual heard in a completely democratic way.

It is time that American individuality is fully recognized and respected.

Question: If you find yourself faced with issues that are new to you or not fully understood by yourself, how do you plan to be influenced and make informed decisions?

Answer: I am certainly not unique in this regard. We are all faced with issues and situations that

we don't comprehend. I, personally always start with looking at the context/situation/circumstances of the issue, then look for individuals that are affected by the issue. Once I know the context and the individuals affected or to be affected, I will always have their input to the problem and the solution. Every solution has to begin at the grassroots level. My philosophy is simple, if an individual is connected now or in future with the issue then that person's individuality has to be respected in creating the solution. The people who have to live the solution have to have a strong unwavering brave voice in the solution. It is the right thing to do. It is the human way and our American way.

Question: Lastly, is there anything further you would like to share with us?

Answer: Lastly, I would like to say to you all to gauge what have you achieved individually and collectively by constantly voting for the big parties. I believe it time you try to elect a simple family-man to the office who has walked your walk and understands your struggle and is motivated to resolve them.

Please write Perry Kapadia in the ballot for U.S Senate from our Arizona 2020.

Please see my website: <https://www.perrykapadia.com/>

Thank you.

-Perry