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### CSDA Board of Directors Election Ballot - Term 2024 - 2026; Seat C - Bay Area Network

#### Please vote for your choice

Choose **one** of the following candidates:

- Mathew Fuzie, General Manager, Livermore Area Recreation and Park District
- Jose Manuel Quintana, General Manager, Esparto Community Services District
- Antonio Martinez, Director, Contra Costa Water District
- Frank Pagliaro, Director, Peninsula Health Care District
- Cheryl Sudduth, Director, West County Water
- Garrett Toy, General Manager, Tamalpais Community Services District

This question is **required**. You may select **one** of the following.

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**Mathew Fuzie**    [\[view details\]](#)

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## 2023 CSDA BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

**Name:** Mathew L. Fuzie

**District/Company:** Livermore Area Recreation and Park District

**Title:** General Manager

**Elected/Appointed/Staff:** Staff

**Length of Service with District:** 4.5 years

**1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):**

I am a member of Alameda County Special District Association. I attend CSDA events, and trainings.

**2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):**

I served on the Board of Directors of California Association of Park and Recreation Indemnity  
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**3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):**

Tri-Valley Intergovernment Committee

**4. List civic organization involvement:**

Member- Livermore Rotary, Member Agency Livermore Chamber of Commerce;

Past Board President Carmel Unified School District Board of Trustees. Member;  
Carmel Community Girls Softball Board of Directors.

Mathew L. Fuzie

Candidate Statement

CSDA Board of Directors Nominee

Bay Area Network Seat C

I have been nominated by the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District to serve on the CSDA Board of Directors. LARPD Board of Directors believes that we should be very involved with our member organizations. With 37 years in State and Local Government, I believe that I have developed a body of knowledge that allows me to be very helpful and effective. I have been General Manager of LARPD since 2018. I started out in Parks and Recreation in high school and have held positions at every level ending my 33 years with California State Parks in 2018 as a Governor's Appointee; Deputy Director of California State Parks. I spent my career in California State Parks moving all around California, developing a strong knowledge of the different regions. Elect me and you will not be disappointed.



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Name: Jose Manuel Quintana

District/Company: Esparto Community Services District

Title: General Manager

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Staff

Length of Service with District: 5 Years

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

2021 Board Secretary/ Clerk Conference, 2022 AB 1234 Ethics Compliance Training, Policy and Procedure Writing, Budget

Preparations for Special District, Managing Challenging Employees Situations.

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

NO

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

I serve as the Secretary and Board Clerk to the Esparto Community Services District Board of Directors as well as the

General Manager.

4. List civic organization involvement:

None



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The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Antonio Martinez  
District/Company: Contra Costa Water District  
Title: Contra Costa Water Board Vice President - Division 4  
Elected/Appointed/Staff: Elected  
Length of Service with District: 2 years 3 months

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

Currently involved with CSDA on a 30<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary Planning Committee

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

ACWA member since 2020  
ANWA member since 2008

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):
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4. List civic organization involvement:
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**\*\*Candidate Statement – Although it is not required, each candidate is requested to submit a candidate statement of no more than 300 words in length. Any statements received in the CSDA office after the nomination deadlines will not be included with the ballot.**

My name is Antonio Martinez. I am running for a seat on the California Special Districts Association (CSDA). Since 2020, I have been on the Board of Contra Costa Water District representing Division 4. Currently I am the Board Vice President. I have 32 years of experience working for one of the largest public water agencies in the country, EBMUD.

In addition to my experience managing maintenance and construction for EBMUDs water distribution system, I have been a member of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) since 2008. I have attended conferences around the country where I provided leadership training and presentations on testing new pipe materials for potable water systems.

My platform is based on protecting our environment while ensuring our community has equal access to essential services. Environmental stewardship, water quality, recycled water, workforce development, overall infrastructure improvement, and my own post-retirement participation in community service are areas that I aim to focus on.

CSDA provides education on the importance of public services and legislative advocacy for special districts related to regulations and mandates. I believe my work experience, ability to work collaboratively, and desire to serve will be an asset to CSDA. I welcome the opportunity to be part of the association and respectfully ask for your support.





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Name: Frank Pagliaro

District/Company: Peninsula Health Care District

Title: Board of Directors (Vice Chair)

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Elected

Length of Service with District: 6 Years

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

No

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

No

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

Burlingame City Council (12 yrs), Assoc. of Bay Area Governments (2 Years Board of Directors), City/County Association of Governments (Board of Directors 2 Years), Juvenile Justice Commission (Appt by Superior Court Judges), Delinquency Prevention Commission (Appt by Board of Supervisors), Blue Ribbon Commission on the Homeless (appt by Board of Supervisors), San Mateo Community College District Bond Oversight Committee (appt by Board)

4. List civic organization involvement:

Board of Directors: Second Harvest Food Bank, Mental Health Association of San Mateo County, Music at Kohl Mansion, Burlingame Library Foundation, San Mateo County Bar Assoc., Burlingame Lions Club





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The following information **MUST** accompany your nomination form and Resolution/minute order:

Name: Ms. Cheryl Sudduth

District/Company: West County Wastewater District

Title: Board President / Director

Elected/Appointed/Staff: Elected

Length of Service with District: 4.5y

**1. Do you have current involvement with the CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):**

Yes. I have actively participated in our local Contra Costa and Alameda chapters, attended & participated in local, regional, and statewide conferences, committee meetings, webinars, educational events and workshops. I have completed the series of SDLA governance academy trainings.

**2. Have you ever been associated with any other statewide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):**

Yes. I am an appointed official and actively participate in several statewide organisations:

- California African American Water Education Foundation (CAAWEF, Director & Treasurer)
- Water Education for Latino Leaders (WELL, 2022 Fellow)
- NAACP CA-HI Statewide Environmental Justice & Climate Committee (appointed Committee Member; 2021-)
- NAACP CA-HI Women in the Movement (WIN) Committee (appointed Committee Member; 2022-)
- NAACP CA-HI Statewide Environmental Justice & Climate Committee (appointed Committee Member; 2021-)
- Association of Women in Water, Energy & Environment (AWWEE)
- I attend regular meetings, monitor activities and legislation (*and submit comment letters and/or speak at meetings*) of the EPA, CPUC, CA Energy Commission, CA Dept of Water Resources.
- Latinos for Transit (LIT, 2022 Fellow)
- Black Women Climate Leaders, Indigenous Women Warriors
- Delta Stewardship Council
- Union of concerned scientists
- California Climate Leaders
- Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN)
- ACWA, NACWA, BACWA, CASA, CWEA, AWWA, CARB, Bay Area Biosolids Coalition, Alliance 4 Girls, CCSDA, ACSDA, CalWEP

**3. List local government involvement (such as LAFco, Association of Governments, etc.):**

*Racial Justice Coalition, Budget Justice Coalition, Climate Leaders, Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Local Monitoring Group), Bay Area Biosolids Coalition, Contra Costa Racial Justice Oversight Body (Appointed-Board of Supervisors), League of CA Cities (AA Caucus, Latino Caucus, Women's Caucus), WCCUSD CBOC (Citizens Oversight Bond Committee appointee).*

In addition to my elected position, she is an appointed Commissioner with the Contra Costa Racial Justice Oversight Body (*term 2; since 2019*), Director-San Francisco Muslim Community Center (SFMCC) Board of Directors, appointed Committee Member-NAACP CA-HI Statewide Women in the Movement (WIN) Committee.

**4. List civic organization involvement:**

I regularly volunteer with many community organizations incl. CAIR, Black Women Organized for Political Action (BWOPA) as co-chair of Political Education Committee, CA Women Lead, Indigenous Women Warriors, Black Women in Science & Engineering (BWISE), Assn of Women in Science, Women in Water & Wastewater, Ass'n of Women in Water, Water Education for Latino Leaders (WELL), Women in Energy & Environment, Latinos in Transit (LIT), Council of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO), Climate Reality Project, Climate 350 Contra Costa, Communities for a Better Environment (CBE), Sunflower Alliance, CSDA (*Committees: Infrastructure, Environment*), AWWA, Bay Area Air Quality Mgt District (BAAQMD) Rule 6-5 Advocacy Group, Nat'l Society of Black Engineers, Nat'l Society of Hispanic Engineers, Women in STEM, Black Elected Officials (BEO), Nat'l Assn of Latino Elected Officials & Bay Area Assn of Latino Elected Officials (NALEO & BALEO), American Muslims Elected & Appointed Officials (AMEAON), Hispanas Organised for Political Education (HOPE), Sierra Club, *RespectAbility*, Nat'l Disability Council, CA Diversity Council, Nat'l Diversity Council, Wounded Warriors, National Assn of Prof. Women (NAPW), BlackTinas, Oscar Grant Foundation, PICO, Girl Scouts, CinnamonGirl, and several others. I routinely volunteers in girls and women events, Girls in Science, & fundraising activities benefiting Sickle Cell Anemia research.

## **Candidate Statement**

### **Cheryl Sudduth | WCWD**

Whether as a trained Scientist (*Cellular & Molecular Biologist/Biochemist*) or throughout a +25y career in contracting, compliance, & procurement or as an elected official, appointed commissioner or community volunteer, I have been a passionate, fearless advocate for *the People* - especially in under-resourced, unrepresented communities, to '*do the work*', tirelessly fighting systemic injustices to ensure every Californian has access to clean, safe, affordable water & sewage systems.

As a multicultural/multiracial Woman with *disAbilities* in an industry sorely lacking same in positions of power & influence, I offer this unique perspective coupled with the right blend of exceptional business acumen, political knowledge, scientific/technical expertise, intentional listening, commUNITY involvement, relationship building/sustaining, creative solution solving, consensus building, unwavering confidence, & a penchant for *doing* rather than just saying.

I see the ardent efforts of our Special Districts' communities to effect positive change and the resultant strides made. I'm confident we can accomplish even more to:

- promote continued growth in CSDA's vision;
- educate on good governance & emerging issues;
- encourage members' input, align district goals prescribed equity values so principles are not just inscribed in plans but implemented & applied; and
- ensure *all* voices are heard and considered.

When elected, I will work to develop programs to cultivate greater membership & leadership reflective of the communities we serve so *all* perspectives, ideas, experiences, voices are heard and considered. I will leverage my professional skills & the strong relationships I've built with legislators, industry leaders, science professionals, & other community leaders to strengthen support for special districts, educate the public & public policymakers on issues affecting special districts, advocate for the needs of all communities, & establish best practices for effective leadership, governance, operations, & administration.

I live my life with a strong ethical framework, approaching matters with unwavering integrity and diplomacy, so the same passion, courage, humanity, & commitment I have brought to all my work, I will bring to this Board.

I have been and remain committed to do the *work*...

*It is what I do.*

It would be my honor to serve the CSDA. I humbly ask for your vote.

Gracias.



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Name: **Garrett Toy** \_\_\_\_\_

District/Company: **Tamalpais Community Services District (TCSD)**\_\_\_\_\_

Title: **General Manager**\_\_\_\_\_

Elected/Appointed/Staff: **appointed**\_\_\_\_\_

Length of Service with District: **11 months**\_\_\_\_\_

1. Do you have current involvement with CSDA (such as committees, events, workshops, conferences, Governance Academy, etc.):

**no, but just started at TCSD and I have started participating in the open forum**

2. Have you ever been associated with any other state-wide associations (CSAC, ACWA, League, etc.):

**California Redevelopment Association (defunct), League of California cities, Calif.  
Association for Local Economic Development**

3. List local government involvement (such as LAFCo, Association of Governments, etc.):

**Marin County Special District Association (secretary), Zero Waste Marin JPA (chair) ,  
Executive Officer for Ross Valley Fire Department (JPA), Local Agency Workers'  
Compensation Excess JPA (president), Bay Cities Joint Powers Insurance Authority (vice-  
president), Marin County Managers Association**

4. List civic organization involvement:

**Ross Valley Rotary (no longer member)**

**I am currently the General Manager for the Tamalpais Community Services District (TCSD) which is in Tam Valley in Marin County. TCSD provides wastewater collection, solid waste collection, and parks and recreation services to approximately 8,000 residents and dozens of commercial businesses. In my brief tenure as General Manager, I have learned that while some services and practices of a special district are quite different from a municipality, there are many practices and policies that transfer well from a city/town to a special district.**

**I have over 35 years of local government experience working for various sized communities such as the County of Marin, Stockton, Fairfield, Morgan Hill, and Fairfax. My senior management experience includes over 9 years as town/city manager and 13 years as a department head. As the Fairfax Town Manager, I interacted with several special districts and JPA's for water, fire, and sanitation. I have previously served on numerous JPAs such as Zero Waste Marin and Local Agency Workers' Compensation Excess Joint Powers Authority. I appreciate and recognize the value of collaborating and sharing perspectives in effort to address the concerns and needs of other agencies.**

**Specifically, I believe with my local government knowledge and experiences, I can offer different perspectives on issues and services to the CSDA board and membership. One of the areas I would work on is to help CSDA create more-valued services for its membership that is low-cost to provide, but perhaps of significant benefit to its members. For example, TCSD is a solid waste hauler (i.e., does not have a franchise agreement with a private hauler) and it would be helpful if CSDA could help to connect similar special districts so we can better share experiences and seek advice from one another on issues of common interest.**

**Thank you for your consideration.**