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### Together We Vote Press Conference

Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 11am  
Westminster Presbyterian Church (1100 Shasta Ave)

On March 5th, San José will vote for the following offices in the Primary Election: Mayor\*, District 2 Council Member, District 4 Council Member\*, District 6 Council Member, District 8 Council Member\*, District 10 Council Member\*

\*Seat is currently held by an incumbent.

The impact of this *primary election* will potentially be very great, as all but two of these offices are held by incumbents. Historically, incumbents often receive enough of the vote to win in the primary—as opposed to going to a run-off in November. This means that most of the city council could be elected by the voters who vote in this primary election.

Our Together We Vote Coalition believes that our communities are stronger and more just when all people get to participate in decision making and our democracy—especially people who are the most negatively impacted by our current structures and policies. Unfortunately, the most impacted people in our community—poor people, people of color, and immigrants—are either barred from voting entirely or have been disenfranchised to the point that they no longer vote.

We want to change this!

All are invited to attend our candidate forums. They are nonpartisan, and all candidates running for each office have been invited. The questions will come from the needs and concerns expressed by our community members through our listening campaigns.

- District 4: Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 7pm, Bible Way Christian Center, 2090 Oakland Rd, San Jose, CA 95131

- District 6: Sunday, February 11, 2024 at 2pm, Temple Emanu'El, 1010 University Ave, San Jose, CA 95126
- District 8: Wednesday, February 21 at 7pm, Boys & Girls Club of Silicon Valley, 2195 Cunningham Ave, San Jose, CA 95122

Co-sponsors for this work include: PACT, Sí Se Puede Collective, SV Rising, CA Poor Peoples' Campaign, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, alpha public schools.