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Fundraising FAQs

Here are answers to some of the most prevalent questions we have gotten over the last few days.

Q: Is there a way I can research or verify a candidate’s contributions?
A: Yes. The Federal Election Commission, which oversees campaign finance, has financial information on elected officials and candidates for office: fec.gov.

Q: Are you being funded by the GOP?
A: The short answer is no. While my opponent is trying to make it sound like we’re being propped up by the GOP or right wing organizations, that’s simply not true. For example, two of the large ‘GOP’ donors they keep mentioning contribute to both Democrats and Republicans, notably giving hundreds of thousands to Democrats all over the country in the wake of Donald Trump’s election. You can verify this for yourself here and here.

Q: Who are NORPAC and Pro-Israel America?
A: NORPAC and Pro-Israel America are both non partisan organizations that support candidates across the political spectrum, including our own Senator Tina Smith, Democratic Majority Leader Steny Hoyer, and our Presidential candidate, Joe Biden. These organizations are getting involved in this race for the same reason our more than 6,000 donors are: they’re fed up with Trump’s toxic politics of division rampant in Washington today, and they want to see new leadership in Congress and the White House.
Q: Why do you have so much support from Jewish people/Pro-Israel community?
A: Unfortunately, Rep. Omar has said harmful and hurtful statements about our Jewish community. Her actions have caused many people to lose trust in her, including many who had supported her. In addition, I've spoken to many people who felt betrayed by Rep Omar's inconsistent positions on sanctions and other issues related to Palestinians and Israelis. Before winning the 2018 primary, Rep. Omar publicly stated she was opposed to BDS and supported a two-state solution. After winning the election, she reversed her position, leaving many people angry and confused, and their trust shaken. As a consequence of her actions, many people in the Jewish community are a part of the coalition of wide support we have. It's also important to note that my positions on these issues are the same as the majority of progressives.

Q: Will the money you've received from the Jewish community influence your policy decisions?
A: No. I have been clear from the beginning of this campaign that I disagree with a number of Benjamin Netenyahu's actions, including the unilateral annexation of Palestinian territory. I have also made it clear that I support more humanitarian aid to the Palestinians, and that I believe the U.S. must work towards strategic reforms of Israeli policy that will ease the pressure of the occupation on Palestinians. More importantly, I've always been clear that my policy decisions will always be based on what's in the best interests of the people in our district.