

DISTRICT ELECTIONS

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My little house sits in 10 districts.

1. Alameda Contra Costa Transit District
2. Alameda County Board of Education
3. Bay Area Rapid Transit District
4. Chabot - Las Positas Community College District
5. Castro Valley Sanitary District
6. Castro Valley Unified School District
7. East Bay Municipal Utility District
8. East Bay Regional Park District
9. Eden Township Healthcare District
10. Hayward Area Recreation and Park District

Some districts have enormous budgets.

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| 1. \$606.3 million | AC Transit (operations) |
| 2. \$107.3 million | ACOE |
| 3. \$1.2 billion | BART (operations) |
| 4. \$228.1 million | C-LPCCD |
| 5. \$67.0 million | CVSan |
| 6. \$159.7 million | CVUSD |
| 7. \$3.2 billion | EBMUD (2-year, op's + capital) |
| 8. \$431.1 million | EBRPD (operations) |
| 9. \$6.2 million | ETHD |
| 10. \$33.9 million | HARD |

“Elected” directors govern each district.

1. Directors do not routinely meet with constituents.
2. Some begin by appointment rather than election.
3. Incumbents often have no challengers.
4. These no-contest elections are not on the ballot.
5. So, incumbents can stay for decades — invisibly.

I ran for all 10 of my districts over 2024-6.

1. I *fight* for our representative form of government.
2. I am the first person—ever—to run for all 10.
3. It is not just a bucket-list thing on my part.

I learned a lot about local government.

1. Taxpayers' money is flagrantly wasted.
2. Some of the districts are grossly ineffective.
3. I do not respect many of the directors I have met.
4. Serving the public innovatively is the last concern.
5. Most directors are captives of their districts.

Why you should elect me to all 10.

1. I will hold office hours to hear your complaints.
2. You can come to me instead of to 10 others.
3. I will make sure the districts know your concerns.

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