

NOMINEE'S AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT

Complete all of the following autobiographical items. To be valid, every question must be answered. If more space is needed, use reverse side and indicate on this front page additional material has been written on the back.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

1) Full name: RON COSTANZO

9) Education (check the highest level of schooling and enter years of schooling at that level):

High School _____ College Graduate College _____

Indicate colleges or universities attended and degrees earned: SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE
A.S. ENGINEERING, CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY B.S. MECHANICAL
ENGINEERING

10) Profession or occupation: CONSTRUCTION, BUSINESS, MAINTENANCE, OPERATIONS, SALES AND LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT AND MEMBER OF LEADERSHIP TEAMS (CHEVRON)

11) Your experience as a member of the Society

Date of admission to active membership: __MAY 2008_____

List offices and positions held in the Society and years served in these capacities. Also list any important and unusual assignments carried out by you as a SVdP member:

CONFERENCE PRESIDENT - ST. BONAVENTURE, CONCORD -- START-UP & TWO TERMS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT -- CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

FOUNDER & COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM SEVEN YEARS

FOUNDER OF SPIRITUALITY AND FORMATION COMMITTEE

COUNCIL SECOND VICE PRESIDENT -- CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

12) List other significant achievements or involvement in civic, cultural, community service, and church activities:

MODERATOR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ST. BONAVENTURE

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND BOARD OF DIRECTOR COWELL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

ADULT SPONSOR LA MARITA MEXICO YOUTH MISSION

MARSH CREEK JAIL MINISTRY

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3068, ST BONAVENTURE

CURSILLO, KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY, "JUST FAITH" CO-FACILITATOR,

Signature of Nominee:



Date: 7/7/2017

NOMINEE'S PLATFORM STATEMENT

The SVdP President serves for three years. This demands, on the part of the successful candidate, a major sharing of his/her available time and talents. On the part of the Society, a Presidential election involves the conferring of substantial authority to the chosen leader and implies confidence in his/her character and capabilities.

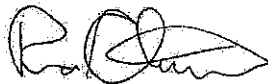
Before making such a choice, therefore, members ask you to set forth briefly what might be called a "Platform Statement". It must include:

- 1) Your views about the most urgent needs of our Society at this time;
- 2) The SVdP goals or objectives you would hope to achieve during your three-year term as President;
- 3) Some indication about how you would expect to reach these goals;
- 4) Any other "Platform" comments or observations that you consider to be important in relation to the growth and future of the Society.

Your "Platform Statement" may not exceed one side only of an 8 ½ by 11 typewritten page, single-spaced, with a half inch margin on all four sides.

Please use the reverse side for your "Platform Statement".

BEGIN by entering your signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. O. ...', written over a horizontal line.

Ron Costanzo's Platform for Contra Costa County SVdP

The Conferences and the work of the Vincentians is the primary reason for the Council to exist.

Although Contra Costa County SVdP has considerable cash and assets, we have been running a deficit for the last few years. We need to reduce, then end the deficit – recognizing that a number of the programs cost more than available funding and the Pittsburg store is a cost center rather than an income generator.

Additionally, considerable preparation, planning and some certainty must be part of any large investment (like purchase of a building for a store).

I truly support the six Strategic Objectives drafted and approved in June of 2015. There is progress and still room for improvement in every area.

1. Strengthened and integrated conferences with District Council
 2. Staffing meets business District Council needs
 3. Strengthened and improved thrift stores
 4. Developed and expanded programs that support systemic change
 5. Capital properly deployed to meet and sustain mission
 6. The Board is expanded to include the required skills and diversity
- Unwritten #7 is to continue and grow the Development/Fundraising work

Support SVdP Conferences

- Foster their Spiritual Growth
- Further their Charitable Activity
- Share resources for Systemic Change – to lift folks that conferences serve out of poverty (Interested Conferences have different approaches.)
- Provide Ozanam Orientation and other training/programs as defined by conferences

Enhance Unity and Cooperation

- Solicit input from conferences and prioritize the council work
- Facilitate communication and teamwork between conferences
- Continue to support new conferences, without impacting existing conferences.
- Work to strengthen conferences who are vulnerable/at risk
- Gather occasionally to maintain our Vincentian relationships
- Include/invite/engage a diversity of members by geography and culture

Planning, goals and longer term strategies

- Ensure financial resources are consistent with short and long term planning
- Continue solicitation for council and support for conference fundraising
- Maintain relationships with existing partners and be open to partnering opportunities for conferences and council
- Solicit conferences and parishes for volunteers to support the conference and council work
- Recognize the needs of our conference clients west, central and east county
- Publish a calendar and set the dates for conference and staff planning.
- Assess and invest in employee development and training

Blessings,