

Your Name: P. Bret Chiafalo

Position: Local

Name of Office: Fire Commissioner, Snohomish County Fire District 1

Congressional District: Multiple

Legislative District: Multiple

Status: New Candidate

Date of Election (mm/dd/yy): 08/01/2017

Candidate Website: [WWW.VoteBret.Com](http://WWW.VoteBret.Com)

Candidate Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfPBretChiafalo/>

Candidate Twitter: N/A

Candidate Email: [PeterChiafaloFireDistrict1@gmail.com](mailto:PeterChiafaloFireDistrict1@gmail.com)

**Do You: Believe in the need for Campaign Finance Reform/not support Super PACs/Citizen's United?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: I believe we need to take all corporate money out of politics and I do not believe corporations are people.

**Do You: Believe in Medicare/Medicaid/single-payer for all?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: I believe healthcare is a fundamental human right.

**Do You: Believe in LGBTQ marriage equality/equal rights?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate: I believe in equal civil rights for all, regardless of gender/sex/race/religion/sexual orientation etc.

**Do You: Believe in tax-paid public accredited college access for all who are accepted and free tuition at all public colleges?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: I believe a full education is a fundamental human right.

**Do You: Support college loan repayment relief and college loan monthly payments no more than 10% of net income?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Student loans are casting people into bankruptcy and/or poverty. Seeking higher education should not come at such a high cost.

**Do You: Believe in closing corporate tax loopholes?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: The wealthy, and corporations, have not been paying their fair share for a long time. This needs to change.

**Do You: Believe in a \$15 Minimum Wage (graduated in, over 4 years, at a maximum)?:**

Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: All workers need a living wage. Period.

**Do You: Prioritize repairing infrastructure?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Great infrastructure is what allowed this country to prosper in the past. It allowed the wealthy people of today get wealthy and we need to keep it in good repair.

**Do You: Believe in Police/Prison Reform (end private prisons, drug treatment vs. prison, possible Body Cams, demilitarize/retrain police, etc.)?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: We need to change our perspective from one of punishment to one of rehabilitation. Citizens should not be afraid of their public servants, I.E. Law Enforcement Officers.

**Do You: Believe in finding a way to reduce the power of the military industrial complex and constant state of conflict/war?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please be specific.: Eisenhower warned us that if we allowed the military industrial complex to grow that every plane or tank built was another child in poverty. I believe we have gone way too far down that road.

**Do You: Support common sense gun control/improved background checks (ban on assault weapons, like Bernie)?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please be specific.: We have gone back to the old west when it comes to guns. Common sense adjustments are desperately needed.

**Do You: Support a woman's right to choose and will try to prevent local legislation that inhibits access to care at Planned Parenthood or any other clinic providing women's care in this area?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: I will always support and protect roe vs wade and planned parenthood. A women's body is her own.

**Do You: Believe in climate change and working towards renewable energy sources?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Because it exists and we need to address it. Ideally starting years ago.

**Do You: Believe in separation of church and state?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: I am an atheist and I believe we all have the right to worship any deity or none at all.

**Do You: Believe in a path to citizenship?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Because we need to have a clear legal system from immigrants that can allow them to be citizens

**Did you support Bernie in the 2016 Primary?:** Yes

**Do you support and believe in whistleblowers like Eric Snowden and Julian Assange?:** Yes

If Not, Why?: Edward Snowden- Yes, completely Assange I do not support completely, I think he approached some situations poorly.

**Do you respect 3rd parties as an alternative to get corporate ownership out of politics? Or should you "vote blue no matter who?":**

I respect 3rd parties, but I believe they need to build an infrastructure from small to large. Don't just run a Presidential Candidate every 4 years and

leave it at that.

Other Comments: Please let me know if I need to expand anything.