

Candidate Statement

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Filing Information: Primary 2024 General 20____ Special District 20____

Candidate Information:

Kathleen Cathey
Name of Candidate as it appears on ballot

Non-Partisan
Party Affiliation or Non-Partisan Office

Union County Commissioner, Position #3
Filing for Office of: (include district and or/or position)

Contact Information: 541-805-8924 kathleenmcathey@gmail.com
Cell Phone Home Phone Email Address

General Information:

Current Occupation (paid or unpaid) Field Representative for US Senator Ron Wyden

Occupational Background

Field Representative for US Senator Ron Wyden, now serving 11 Eastern Oregon counties, 18+ years
Assistant Director for Union County Commission on Children and Families, 10 years
Training Coordinator for Eastern Oregon Human Services Consortium (13-county mental health consortium), 5 years

Educational Background

1978 graduate of Union High School
2005 graduate of Eastern Oregon University, BA in English, with a minor in Media Arts

Prior Governmental Experience

Served from 1999-2005 on the La Grande School District Board of Directors

This Information Furnished by: Kathleen Cathey

Printed Name and Signature (Typing Here Counts as Digital Signature under UETA)

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Please tell us why you deserve to be elected to this position below in 100 words or less:

I have decades of nonpartisan experience in government and public service, helping identify and communicate important issues, bringing people together to find solutions. I was instrumental in bringing in the VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic to the county and continue to work with Senator Wyden and veteran experts on stabilizing veterans health care. I have worked to help farmers and ranchers at the project level, and worked to stand up the state meat inspection program. I was honored to receive the 2023 "Above and Beyond" award from the Oregon Wheat Growers.

I believe that Union County is a beautiful place with a unique set of assets and has been very stable over the past years. We have opportunity to improve housing access for workers and seniors, advocate for accountability in drug laws, and focus on better health and mental health access.