

## Questionnaire to be answered by parties applying for membership of the Socialist International

### Name of the party:

Social Democrats of America

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**1. Please provide a brief overview of the history of the party**  
*(establishment/development/current situation)*

The Social Democratic Party was incorporated after a Democratic Socialist of America (DSA) delegation visited Venezuela and sided solidarity with the Cuban Communist party.

According to their own International Committee, the goal of DSA is to develop diplomatic relationships with the Danish Red-Green Alliance, United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV), Barcelona En Comú, Left Block (*O Bloco*) from Portugal and Farabundo Martí National Liberation Front, Broad Front (*Frente Amplio*) from Chile, and Canada's New Democratic Party.

The continued purge from the current leadership of the Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee faction

**2. What are the main principles and aims of your party?**

Grow Socialism in the United States by running candidates to the various entities inside the Democratic and Republican parties as set forth by DSOC founder, Michael Harrington.

**3. What are the main fields of activity of your party?**

Organize Socialist and present them to the various elections at all level in the United States.

#### 4. What is the structure of your party?

The structure of the party is an identical copy of the French Socialist party for which we translated the Ethical Charter, the Declaration of Principle and the Bylaws.

#### 5. How is your party financed?

Membership contribution.

#### 6. Please indicate the composition of the leadership with names and positions of responsibility.

George Fish, member at large, author of the current Socialist Manifesto.

Paperboy Love Prince, member at large, non-gender performer and activist and future congressperson.

Theo Chino, Founder of SDA currently recruiting new members.

#### 7. What is the position of your party regarding gender balance? (*Quota /specific rules for the leadership*)

It is now widely acknowledged by economists that liberal capitalism generates multiple inequalities but also important to analyze the logics behind. Liberal capitalism has emerged from patriarchal societies that have been based on women's domination for millenaries.

Patriarchal capitalism has confined women to work for cheap, or free, and primarily to benefit other people. The very same logics of oppression are deeply rooted in our capitalist societies and can be found in economic domination of a class by another, of women by men, of the Global south by the Global North in a post-colonial world, of nature by mankind - they also generate racism, LGBTI discriminations, etc. But just as gender, liberal capitalism is a social construction that can be deconstructed.

At SDA, we ensure that the leadership not only has male-female parity in all instances, at local as well as national levels, including in electoral commissions, activist leadership, or candidate's designation, but also ensures geographic, socio-economic, age, and professional diversity. Socialist and eco-Feminism is about gender, social, political, ecological and economic equality.

SDA demand people's control over their health, especially sexual and reproductive health and rights, recognize the need to attach economic and social rights to women work, including free labor and family care, promotes and inclusive society where access to free care and health rights is a prerequisite, and addresses exploitation and abuse at the workplace and gender based violence.

**8. How many members does your party currently have?**

Three – At this time we are still opening a bank account and waiting for our federal recognition as a Political Non-Exempt institution by the United States tax authorities.

Potential members, please go to <https://socialists.us/siform/reserve> to indicate you would like to join so we can update this form.

**9. Does your party have local, regional or national representation in elected bodies or parliament? If so, please also indicate the percentage of votes obtained.**

Since we are in seceding from Democratic Socialist of America, we do claim the victories of the squad, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Ilhan Omar, Rashida Tlaib, Cori Bush, Ayanna Pressley and Jamaal Bowman.

I just ran for New York City Public Advocate using the Socialist logo of the Rose in the First and I got 7% of the vote despite a complete black out from mainstream media.

I also ran openly as Chair of the New York County Democratic Party where the election was rigged (*the leader tallying the vote in my residence district reported the votes as zero for me. This was the proof that the vote was rigged.*)

The goal of that election was not to win but assess the reaction of the 2000 Democrats in the room to my literature containing the Rose and the first.

The goal of SDA is to get all the DSA elected candidates that are

**10. Where does your party position itself within the national political spectrum?**

On the left.

**11. Is your party part of an electoral alliance or has it supported other candidates during presidential elections?**

In states where the majority party are Democrats, we are registered in the Democratic Party and in states where the majority party are Republicans, we are registered Republicans.

**12. Does your party have bilateral relations with other member parties of the Socialist International?**

No but many members that are dual citizen are members of other parties of the Socialist International and/or the European Socialist Parties.

13. **Do you have relations with neighboring political parties?** If so, please list the ones with which you have the strongest ties.

The democratic party and the Green Party.

14. **If you were a member of the Socialist International which areas of cooperation would be particularly important for you?**

The SDA members feel that the Social Media presence is lacking thus giving a negative image of Socialism on a worldwide scale which allow our detractors to lie about the Socialist International diplomatic wins.

15. **What does your party see as the biggest challenges at the international level today?**

The crisis in Iran, the middle east peace accord and the importance to push for BDS, the falling of Hungary and Poland in the hands of extremism thus locking progressive policies inside the European Union, the rise of evangelism in South America, the yearning for freedom of the Venezuelan and Cuban citizen.

16. **If your party is in government which would be the most important benefits for your party of becoming a member of the Socialist International and why? And if currently you are not in government which would be the most important benefits for your party of becoming a member of the Socialist International and why?**

It's in our DNA. Being a member of the Socialist International would naturally define us as the true Socialist Party in the United States, heirs of the values of the French and American revolution. The benefits for the Socialists International is also that the United States is the media center, would give visibility to Socialism and hopefully allow the citizen around the world understand that Social Democracy is Socialism.

17. **If your party is in government, or were to be in government, which would be the three most important points in the program of your party?**

Medicare for All, Universal Basic Income, Green New Deal.

- 18. Does your party have links or contacts with political foundations or NGOs? If so please list them and briefly describe the kind of cooperation you have with them.**

We are building contact with the Bernie Sander's Our Revolution and Andrew Yang's Humanity First.

- 19. Does your party have cooperation with any other international organization or program?**

No, we do not at this moment.

- 20. Is your party a member of any other national, regional or international body? Please list them.**

No, we are not.

- 21. In accordance with the Statutes of the Socialist International, membership of the SI involves the payment of an annual membership fee which is determined democratically in accordance with criteria such as the number of members of the party, means available to the party and others. Is your party willing to ensure that it meets this obligation and pays its dues in full and on time every year?**

Yes, we are.

- 22. By becoming a member of the Socialist International parties have to agree to abide by and respect the Ethical Charter of the Socialist International. Is your party fully prepared to assume this commitment?**

Michael Harrington dedicated his life to the values of the Socialist International and we claim to be his moral decedents. We are fully prepared to assume that commitment.