

**Business, Civic, & Community Organizations
Endorsements & Letters of Support
for
Dilawar Syed
President Biden's Nominee for Deputy Administrator, U.S. Small Business Administration**

Business, Industry Group, & SBA Partners

1. Airport Minority Advisory Council (AMAC), At-Large Director Farad Ali
2. American Pakistani Chamber of Commerce, Inc., President Khalid Muneer
3. America's Small Business Development Centers, President & CEO Tee Rowe
4. Asian American Hotel Owners Association, Chairman Vinay Patel – *Sept. 2021*
5. Association for Enterprise Opportunity (AEO), President & CEO Connie Evans
6. Association of Women's Business Centers (AWBC), CEO Corinne Hodges
7. Business Leadership Council:
 - Avis Lavelle, Executive Director, Business Leadership Council
 - Bruce Montgomery Founder & CEO, ESP
 - Bryan Wilson, Principal, Midwest Technology Partners
 - Daleele Alison, CEO, RooksDM
 - Dan Wagner, Chair, Greater OAK Brook Chamber
 - Ed Burns, CEO, SLG Innovation
 - Eric G Johnson, CEO, Baldwin Richardson Foods
 - Frank Hayes, CEO, Hayes & Associates
 - Levburt Leger, Co-Founder, RooksDM
 - Lorenzo Ball, VP of Data & Analytics, Ameritus
 - Peter Sanderson, Chief Revenue Officer, Nelnet
 - Robert Blackwell Jr., CEO, EKI-Digital / Killerspin
 - Scott Henderson, Managing Director, NMotion
 - Tim Clark, President & CEO, Clark Connection Group, Inc.
 - Vasco Bridges III, CEO, JANO Technologies
 - Vince Williams, President & CEO, Chicago Minority Supplier Development Council
 - Virgil L Fludd, CEO, Carvir Group
 - William Kunkler, Executive VP, CC Industries
8. California State University, Fresno, Dean, Lyles College of Engineering Ram Nunna
9. Central Valley Community Foundation, President & CEO Ashley Swearingin
10. City of Philadelphia, Commerce Director Michael Rashid
11. Disability: IN, President & CEO Jill Houghton
12. Endeavor Atlanta, Managing Director Aaron Hurst
13. Fresno County Economic Development Corporation, President William Oliver
14. Fresno Metro Black Chamber of Commerce, CEO Tara Lynn Gray
15. Incubate
16. Independent Community Bankers of America, President & CEO Rebeca Rainey
17. International Franchise Association (IFA)
18. Latino Business Action Network (LBAN)
19. National Asian/Pacific Islander American Chamber of Commerce and Entrepreneurship, CEO Chilling Tong and Board Chair Karen Eng
20. National Association of Govt Guaranteed Lenders (NAGGL), President & CEO Tony Wilkinson
21. National Association for the Self-Employed (NASE), President & CEO Keith Hall
22. National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO), President & CEO Jen Earle
23. National Black Chamber of Commerce, Chairman Larry Ivory – *Sept. 2021*
24. National Small Business Association (NSBA), President and CEO Todd McCracken
25. NextGen Chamber of Commerce
26. NKY (Northern Kentucky) Chamber of Commerce, President & CEO Brent Cooper – *Sept. 2021*
27. OPEN Chicago, President- Aamir Chalisa
28. Page 30 Coalition
29. Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council (SBE Council), Pres. & CEO Karen Kerrigan – *Sept. 2021*

30. [Small Business Investor Alliance](#) (SBIA), President Brett Palmer – *Nov. 2021*
31. [Small Business Majority](#), Founder and CEO John Arensmeyer
32. Small Business Roundtable (SBR), Co-executive Directors John Stanford and Rhett Buttle
33. Sutherland Institute, President and CEO- Rick Larsen – *Jul. 2021*
34. Texas AAPI Business Leaders Coalition, Co-Chairs Ying McGuire and Albert Shen — *Aug. 2021*
35. The United States Black Chambers, Inc. (USBC), President and CEO- Ron Busby
36. [U.S. Chamber of Commerce](#), Exec. Vice President & Chief Policy Officer Neil L. Bradley
37. University of California, Vice-Chancellor Edward Klotzbier
38. Women Impacting Public Policy (WIPP), President & CEO Candace Waterman

Faith, Civic, & Community Organizations

39. AAPI NC
40. AAPI Victory Alliance
41. AAPI Victory Fund
42. Advancing American Ideals
43. African American Ministers In Action
44. Allegheny East Conference
45. America Indivisible
46. American Friends Service Committee
47. [American Jewish Committee](#) (AJC)
48. [American Jewish Congress](#)
49. American Muslim Empowerment Network (AMEN)
50. American Muslim Health Professionals (AMHP)
51. Americans for Peace Now
52. Anti-Defamation League (ADL)
53. Auburn Seminary
54. Baskerville Institute, Utah
55. Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty (BJC)
56. Church World Service
57. Christian Unity and Interfaith Ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
58. The Episcopal Church Office of Ecumenical and Inter-religious Relations
59. Carolina Jews for Justice
60. Center for American Progress
61. Center for Disability Rights
62. Chinese Community Center, Houston
63. Demand Progress
64. [Democratic Majority for Israel](#)
65. Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Ministries
66. Emgage Foundation
67. Empowering Pacific Islander Communities (EPIC)
68. Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Ecumenical & Inter-Religious Relations, Office of the Presiding Bishop
69. Friends Committee on National Legislation
70. Good Citizen DFW
71. Harriet Tubman Learning Center, Georgia
72. India Heritage Group
73. Indian American Impact
74. Indivisible Northern NV
75. Interfaith Alliance
76. Islamic Networks Group (ING)
77. Islamic Society of Greater Association
78. Jewish Community Action
79. Jewish Democratic Women's Salon, Atlanta (JDWS)

80. Keshet
81. Latter-day Saints for Biden-Harris
82. LGBTQ Task Force Action Fund
83. Liberty SDA church
84. Main Street Alliance
85. Mark McCleary Ministries
86. MomsRising
87. Moving Traditions
88. Muslim Advocates
89. Muslim Americans in Public Service
90. Muslim Public Affairs Council
91. National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
92. National Coalition for Asian Pacific American Community Development
93. National Council on Independent Living
94. National Employment Law Project
95. National Iranian American Council
96. National Urban League
97. National Women's Law Center
98. NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice
99. NHDP AAPI Caucus
100. Northridge Indivisible
101. Pakistani American Voter Registration Initiative
102. Peace Catalyst International
103. Presbyterian Church (USA) Office of Public Witness
104. Progressive National Baptist Convention Inc.
105. Rabbinical College of America
106. Reconstructing Judaism
107. Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association
108. Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism and Union for Reform Judaism
109. Renew America Movement, Senior Advisor, Frmr NJ Governor Christine Todd Whitman – *Sept. 2021*
110. SABA-NC
111. Seek Jesus First Ministries
112. Service Employees International Union (SEIU)
113. Sojourners
114. Southern Poverty Law Center & SPLC Action Fund
115. The Daniel Initiative
116. The Fellowship of Affirming Ministries
117. The National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA
118. The United Methodist Church - General Board of Church and Society
119. United Church of Christ
120. US-Asia Links
121. Utah City Muslim League
122. Win Without War
123. Women of Faith DFW

Elected Representatives

124. [Senator Mazie Hirono](#) (HI)
125. [Senator Tammy Duckworth](#) (IL)
126. [Congressman Ami Bera](#) (CA-7)
127. [Congressman Al Green](#) (TX-9)
128. [Congressman Josh Harder](#) (CA-10)
129. [Congresswoman Judy Chu](#) (CA-27)
130. [Congresswoman Anna Eshoo](#) (CA-18)
131. [Congressman Andy Kim](#) (NJ-3)
132. [Congressman Ted Lieu](#) (CA-33)
133. [Congressman Kaiiali'i Kahele](#) (HI-2)
134. Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi (IL-8)
135. [Congresswoman Grace Meng](#) (NY-6)
136. [Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal](#) (WA-7)
137. [Congressman Ro Khanna](#) (CA-17)
138. [Congresswoman Barbara Lee](#) (CA-13)
139. [Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky](#) (IL-9)
140. [Congressman Mark Takano](#) (CA-41)
141. [Congresswoman Dina Titus](#) (NV-1)
142. [Congresswoman Norma Torres](#) (CA-35)
143. [Congresswoman Nyda Velazquez](#) (NY-7); Chair House Small Business Committee
144. Mayor of Fresno, California, Jerry Dyer
145. [Mayor of San Jose, California](#), Sam Liccardo
146. [State Senator Josh Becker, California State Legislature](#)
147. [State Senator David Min, California State Legislature](#)
148. [State Senator Richard Pan, California State Legislature](#)
149. [Assembly Member Marc Berman, California State Legislature](#)
150. [Assembly Member Richard Bloom, California State Legislature](#)
151. [Assembly Member Wendy Carrillo, California State Legislature](#)
152. [Assembly Member Ed Chau, California State Legislature](#)
153. [Assembly Member David Chiu, California State Legislature](#)
154. [Assembly Member Jesse Gabilan, California State Legislature](#)
155. [Assembly Member Steve Glazer, California State Legislature](#)
156. [Assembly Member Ash Karla, California State Legislature](#)
157. [Assembly Member Alex Lee, California State Legislature](#)
158. [Assembly Member Evan Low, California State Legislature](#)
159. [Assembly Member Adrian Nazarian, California State Legislature](#)
160. [Assembly Member Luz Rivas, California State Legislature](#)
161. [Assembly Member Miguel Santiago, California State Legislature](#)
162. [Assembly Member Mark Stone, California State Legislature](#)
163. [Assembly Member Phil Ting, California State Legislature](#)
164. [Senator Sheikh Rahman, Georgia State Senate](#)
165. [Representative Patrick Branco, Hawai'i State Legislature](#)
166. Rep. Nasif Majeed, North Carolina House of Representatives Dist. #99

Community & Faith Leaders

167. AJ Durrani, Empowering Communities Initiative (ECI)
168. Andrew Lachman, DNC Member & President DFI-CA, Democrats for Israel California
169. Aneelah Afzali, Esq., Executive Director, American Muslim Empowerment Network (AMEN)
170. Arsalan Suleman, Board Chair, America Indivisible
171. Aryani Ong, Senior Advisor, Indonesian American Democrats
172. Bel Leong-Hong, Chair AAPI Caucus, Democratic National Committee
173. Breon Wells, Chairman, Economic Equity Roundtable
174. Christopher Kady, Lay Pastor, Seventh-Day Adventist Church
175. David Godwin, University of St Thomas
176. David Lee, AAPI Victory Fund Board Member
177. Dr. Ronald Williams Jr, Center for Urban Bioethics at Temple University
178. Dr. Cora Quisumbing-King, NHDP AAPI Caucus
179. Dr. Nusrat Ameen, Senior Director-Legal Services, Daya Houston
180. Deborah Price, Board Chair; Rori Picker Neiss, Executive Director, Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) of St. Louis, Missouri
181. Dr. Timothy Stewart, President, Progressive National Baptist Convention Inc.
182. John C. Yang, President & Executive Director, Asian Americans Advancing Justice (AAJC)
183. Hind Jarrah, PhD, NTIC North Texas Islamic Council
184. Irene Natividad, President, GlobeWomen Research & Education Institute
185. Katie Kalvoda, Founder, Asian Americans Rising
186. Keisha E. McKenzie, PhD, Senior VP of Programs, Auburn Seminary
187. Lala Wu, Executive Director, Sister District
188. Luisa Blue, Service Employees International Union
189. Maeley Tom, Co-founder, Association of Asian American Investment Managers
190. Matt Goldberg, Executive Director, Jewish Federations/JCRC of Louisville, Kentucky
191. May Y. Chen, Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance
192. Mayyer Thao, Board of Director, AAPI Coalition of Wisconsin
193. Michael Vazquez, Human Rights Campaign Religion & Faith Director
194. Naveed A. Shah, Common Defense
195. Pastor McCleary, Liberty 7th Day Adventist
196. Praveen Meyyan, Chair, Democratic Asian Americans of Virginia
197. Qaisar Q Imam, President, Asian American Pacific Islander American Public Affairs (APAPA)
198. Rabbi Amichai Lau-Lavie, Lab/Shul
199. Rabbi Andrea Goldstein, Congregation Shaare Emeth
200. Rabbi Doug Kahn, Exec. Dir. Emeritus, Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) San Francisco
201. Rabbi Emeritus Jeffrey R. Portman, Congregation Agudas Achim, Iowa City, Iowa
202. Rabbi Linda Bertentha, Congregation Temple Emanuel, Davenport, Iowa
203. Rabbi Daniel Bogard, Central Reform Congregation
204. Rabbi Dayle Friedman, Congregation Bet Haverim
205. Rabbi James M. Bennett, Congregation Shaare Emeth
206. [Rabbi Jonah Dov Pesner, Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism](#)
207. Rabbi Joshua Lesser, Congregation Bet Haverim
208. Rabbi Karen Bogard, Central Reform Congregation
209. Rabbi Moshe Herson, Dean, Rabbinical College of North America
210. Rabbi Meir Bargerion, Congregation Achduth Vesholom, Fort Wayne, Indiana
211. Rabbi Nancy Kasten, Faith Commons
212. Rabbi Susan Talve, Central Reform Congregation
213. Rev. Dr. Cassandra Gould, Executive Director, Missouri Faith Voices
214. Rev. Dr. Brian D. McLaren, Auburn Senior Fellows
215. Rev. Dr. Clay Brantley, Retreat House Spirituality Center
216. Ruthe Catolico Ashley, Executive Director Emeritus, California LAW
217. Sister Patricia Ridgley, Sisters of St Mary

218. Stephanie Chang, Michigan State Senator, District 1
219. Tony Goins, Directors of Economic Development, Nebraska Dept. of Economic Development
220. Tung Nguyen, MD, AAPI Victory Fund, AAPI Victory Alliance
221. Unmi Song, President Lloyd A. Fry Foundation
222. Valarie Kaur, The Revolutionary Love Project
223. Valerie Habif, Co-Founder Jewish Democratic Women's Salon Atlanta (JDWS)
224. Wendy Lewis, Children's Ministry Leader, Liberty S.D.A Church
225. Yvonne Y Lee, former Commissioner, US Commission on Civil Rights
226. [Indianapolis JCRC/Muslim Alliance of Indiana/Indiana Muslim Advocacy Network](#) — *Sept. 2021*

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