



We encourage you to meet and support your local county candidates:

***Ryan Gordon, Garfield County Commissioner
Becky Moller, Garfield County Clerk
Aron Diaz, Garfield County Treasurer***

From addressing climate change to protecting our democracy, local elections matter!

You can donate a maximum of \$1,250 to each of the three local candidates listed below.



Ryan Gordon

Garfield County Commissioner

"I am running because the county needs to have younger and innovative voices who can lead the county into the future. I believe that in order to be successful, we need to work collectively beyond politics to achieve success. I will be that person who will work with everyone to accomplish our goals.

We are all residents of Garfield County."

**Los ingresos de la
producción de petróleo y
gas se están reduciendo
y no existen planes sobre
cómo reemplazar esos
ingresos para nuestro
condo.**



Donate to
Ryan Gordon for Commissioner!

Ryan is:

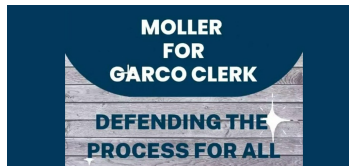
- An engineer – he finds practical solutions for complex problems.
- A father of a young family – Ryan has a long-term stake in decisions made today.
- A project manager – Everyday, he brings groups together to solve problems.

Born and raised in Glenwood Springs, Ryan has worked with communities throughout Western Colorado. His professional experience has provided him with a deep understanding of the complexity of the issues we face in Garfield County and helped him develop the skills needed to address those issues effectively.

Read more about Ryan in this article from the [Post Independent on August 16, 2022.](#)

Come meet Ryan!

- Saturday 8/20 @ Triangle Park in Carbondale, 4:00-5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday 8/23 @ Marble Distillery in Carbondale, 4:00-6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday 8/24 @ the home of Dean Gordon and Debbie Dawson (1301 Walz Ave) in Glenwood Springs, 4:30-6:30pm.
- Sunday 8/28 @ the GarCo Dems Picnic, Grand River Park in New Castle, 4:00-7:00 p.m.



Donate to
Becky Moller for County Clerk!

[Becky Moller](#)

Garfield County Clerk

"I am running for County Clerk because I want to be proactive with the future needs of Garfield County and the clerk's office. From long term viability to adapting to workforce evolution, I want to make sure there is a person in the clerk's office that is prepared to stand for our community and who is willing to step up and do the right thing for our residents. Openness and transparency are a necessary part of a fair and effective government office and something that will guide my service. As County Clerk, I believe I can move the office in a direction that not only meets the needs of the future but also builds upon the trust and effectiveness of the office."

Becky has worked in the legal field in the Roaring Fork Valley for the past 17 years. She is certified as a trained mediator and founded a successful paralegal firm that provides services for attorneys across the valley. Becky has volunteered at the Garfield and Eagle County small claims and county courts, with Alpine Legal Services, and with OvalOptions on the Front Range. She served on the Carbondale Parks and Recreation Commission for 13 years, including 6 years as chair. She completed her MBA in 2021. Becky looks forward to using her legal, mediation, leadership, and MBA skills as our next Garfield County Clerk.

Meet Becky at some upcoming events!

- Sunday 8/21 @ the Ice Cream Social, Historic Schoolhouse in Battlement Mesa,
- Sunday 8/21 @ One Town One Table in Carbondale, starting at check-in 3:30 p.m.

- Sunday 8/28 @ the GarCo Dems Picnic, Grand River Park in New Castle, 4:00-7:00 p.m.
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Donate to
Aron Diaz for County Treasurer!

Aron Diaz

Garfield County Treasurer

"As your County Treasurer I will work every day to ensure that the stewardship and investment of the County's tax dollars are a statement of our shared values, absent of partisan cronyism, and with respect for all Garfield County residents."

Aron is a fourth-generation Garfield County resident. He was elected to the Silt Board of Trustees in 2014 and chaired the Silt Urban Renewal Authority.

His academic achievements, experience, and skill sets will support his ability to be an effective Treasurer:

- A Masters in Public Administration degree with an emphasis in Public Policy Analysis and Analytics and course studies in Crisis Management and Organizational Change
- Thirty years of experience in public policy, implementation, and political initiatives at the federal, state and local levels

Aron has the support of the past two elected Treasurers - a Democrat and a Republican. He will challenge and remove political cronyism from the Treasurer's office. He will increase transparency of the county's tax collection process, increase oversight on public fund investments, and improve administrative management practices using the latest technologies and tools.

Visit Aron's [website](#) to learn more, donate, or volunteer.

Come meet Aron! He'll be joining the Hey Days Parade in Silt this Saturday 8/20 at 10:00 a.m., at the GarCo Dems Picnic at Grand River Park in New Castle on Sunday 8/28, 4:00-7:00 p.m., and at other local events!

How can you help?

Please [donate](#) to the Garfield County Democrats. The local level is where your dollars can really make a difference!

Please [volunteer](#). There are lots of different ways to get involved. (See below.)

VOLUNTEER

Here are some ways you can [join our team](#):

Share fliers with your left-leaning neighbors – We need lots of volunteers **in October** who will distribute a door hanger flier re: the election to their left-leaning neighbors just before they receive their ballots. We're also looking for volunteers right now (in August) to help us spread the word about our Aug. 28 picnic, where folks can meet local candidates.

Share fliers at community events – We want people across the county to know what we stand for and who our candidates are. Join us as we connect with folks at farmers markets, first Friday events, etc.

Join us in parades – Sharing the positive energy of our team and our vision is critical to countering people's cynicism these days. And marching with us in parades (or sitting on our float) is a fun way to do that! Sign up [HERE](#).

Phone calls to our supporters – Help us reach out to registered Dems in Garfield County.

Engage with us via social media – Help us expand our reach and amplify our voice over [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [TikTok](#), [Twitter](#), and [YouTube](#).

Drivers – Given the large size of our county, we could use volunteers we can call on to transport yard signs, fliers, etc. from one town to another.

Organizers/Coordinators – We need volunteers to help with organizing candidate Meet & Greet events and coordinating volunteer projects.

Share your unique talents with us – Whether you're an artist, actor, techie, or comedian, we'd love to find a way to put your talents to work!

Please reach out to us if you'd like to chat about how you can become a part of our team.

We all know how much is at stake. We could really use your help. For more details, visit our [website](#), sign up [here](#), or [email us](#)!

Thank you!

Upcoming Events:

Silt Hey Days Parade

Saturday, August 20

Decorating 8:30 a.m., Parade at 10:00 a.m.

Join us as we bring our positive energy to the Silt Hey Days parade! Meeting location and other details are posted on the home page of our [website](#).

Sign up here to let us know you'll be there:

[March with the GarCo Dems!](#)



Fundraiser: [Ryan Gordon for Garfield County Commissioner](#)

Saturday, August 20

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

**Triangle Park
Carbondale, CO**

Meet Ryan Gordon, Democratic candidate for Garfield County Commissioner, District 1, and learn about how important it is to support his campaign!



Democracy Tour

Saturday, August 20

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**Ute Indian Museum
17253 Chipeta Road
Montrose, CO**

Join the Colorado Democratic Party and Montrose County Democrats to discuss important issues on the western slope and in Colorado, and how we can come together to turn our counties blue.

Chili cookoff and free admission!

[RSVP HERE](#)



DEMOCRACY TOUR

LET'S COME TOGETHER
WESTERN SLOPE

JOIN THE CDP FOR AN
OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS
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CAN TURN OUR COUNTIES BLUE

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2022

1-3 PM

UTE INDIAN MUSEUM

17253 CHIPETA ROAD, MONTROSE

SPACE IS LIMITED ★ RSVP REQUIRED

[MONTROSEDEMS.ORG/CDP22](https://montrose Dems.org/cdp22)

Meet [Governor Jared Polis](#)

Sunday, August 21
1:00 - 1:45 p.m.

Bonfire Coffee
Carbondale, CO

Please join the GarCo Dems at a Meet and Greet with Governor Jared Polis. Also joining us will be Elizabeth Velasco, candidate for Colorado House District 57, and Carbondale Mayor, Ben Bohmfalk.



Happy Hour: [Ryan Gordon for Garfield County Commissioner](#)

Tuesday, August 23
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Marble Distillery & Inn
Carbondale, CO

Get to know Ryan Gordon and all of the ways that you can support his campaign for County Commissioner!



Meet the Candidates: [Elizabeth Velasco for HD57](#) & [Senator Michael Bennet](#)

**Wednesday, August 24
1:30 - 2:00 p.m.**

**LOCAL on Cooper
722 Cooper Ave
Glenwood Springs, CO**

Meet Colorado House District 57 candidate Elizabeth Velasco, who will be joined by Senator Michael Bennet.



Meet the Candidate: [Senator Michael Bennet](#)

**Wednesday, August 24
2:30 - 3:00 p.m.**

**Bluebird Cafe
730 Grand Ave #3402
Glenwood Springs, CO**

Join us and meet Senator Michael Bennet. We'll discuss this November's election and how you can support Senator Bennet's campaign for reelection!

A photograph of Senator Michael Bennet, a man with short brown hair, wearing a green and white plaid short-sleeved shirt, standing with his arms crossed in front of a mountain landscape.

Meet and greet with Senator Michael Bennet and the Garfield County Democrats

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Glenwood Springs, CO**

RYAN GORDON



FOR GARFIELD COUNTY COMMISSIONER

POSTPONED!!!

Meet the Candidate: [Colorado Secretary of State Jena Griswold](#)

Thursday, August 25
11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Rifle, CO

Jena has to postpone her visit to Rifle due to a meeting she needs to attend as Secretary of State. Jena is currently planning more trips to the area in September, and we're working on scheduling a new plan for her to visit Rifle.

JENA



GRISWOLD

FOR CO SECRETARY OF STATE



Fundraiser: [Colorado Secretary of State Jena Griswold](#)

Thursday, August 25
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Carbondale, CO

As Secretary of State, Jena has overseen six statewide elections, several of which had record breaking turnout. Jena protected every eligible Colorado citizen's right to vote and made voting more accessible for Democrats, Republicans and Unaffiliateds by expanding ballot dropboxes and increasing in-person voting locations. Colorado's elections are the gold standard, and Jena is running to ensure they remain safe, secure, and accessible.

Join us in supporting Jena's run for reelection, and learn more about how you can help her campaign!

[RSVP HERE](#)



[GarCo Dems Summer Picnic](#)

Sunday, August 28
4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Grand River Park
New Castle, CO

Meet your local candidates and hang out with like-minded neighbors at the GarCo Dems picnic on Sun., Aug. 28 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm at Grand River Park in New Castle. We'll have live music and yard games, and we'll provide the burgers, hot dogs, and veggie burgers. Feel free to bring a side dish or dessert to share, if you'd like.



[RSVP HERE](#)

Save the Date: [Club 20 Western Colorado Candidate Debates](#)

Saturday, September 10

**Livestream & Colorado Mesa University
Grand Junction, CO**

Save the date for Club 20's candidate debates.



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