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Q1

About Candidates

Candidate Name	Ben Clark
District	9th Congressional District
Party Affiliation	Democratic
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Q2

Q1. Please tell us about your personal experiences with nonprofits. These may include experiences with any organizations that have served you and/or fellow residents of your community, or specific nonprofits for which you've served as a board member, staff person, volunteer, or donor. How do these experiences shape your policy positions? (Limit: 300 words)

I served on the board of our local Habitat for Humanity. I currently am a member of the Hoke County Civic League which provides scholarships each year to deserving students. I am a member of a local church and support numerous charitable organizations and educational institutions.

Q3

Q2. If elected, what would be your top three policy priorities? (Limit: 250 words)

I am running on a #FamilyFirst agenda to:

- 1) Raise the minimum wage
 - 2) Provide healthcare access to every American
 - 3) Provide meaningful support for small businesses and American workers.
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Q4

The Center advocates on public policy issues that affect North Carolina's nonprofit sector and works with the NC General Assembly and North Carolina's members of Congress to develop laws and policies that save nonprofits time and money, help nonprofits operate more effectively, and preserve the public's trust in North Carolina's nonprofit sector. Our policy agenda includes:

- Ensuring that all 501(c)(3) nonprofits are fully exempt from federal, state, and local taxes.
- Promoting new and expanded tax deductions and credits that encourage individuals and businesses to give generously to support their communities through the work of charitable nonprofits.
- Supporting policy solutions that will address the nonprofit workforce shortage, including increased funding to support jobs in the nonprofit sector and investment in accessible and affordable child care.
- Seeking solutions to long-standing challenges that nonprofits face when they provide public services through government grants and contracts, including late contracts, late payments, overly complicated application and reporting requirements, and underpayment for indirect costs.
- Promoting laws that will help nonprofits and businesses alike to provide affordable and high-quality health care and other benefits to their employees.

Q3. If elected, which of these policy goals would you support most enthusiastically, and why? (Limit: 250 words)

It's hard to narrow it down to one policy goal, when the issues families face represent a combination of challenges. I will enthusiastically put families first. That's my top policy goal - families.
