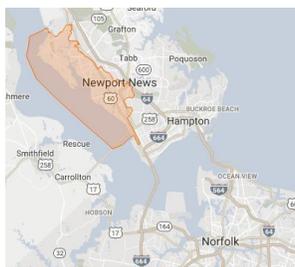




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2016 Presidential Race - Precinct results

How Close is this Race?

November 2016 Presidential Race

2013 House of Delegates Race

Clinton votes	Trump votes	Clinton %	Trump %	Democrat Farinholt	Republican Yancey	Democrat %	Republican %
16,478	14,830	49.21%	44.29%	10,458	11,001	48.60%	51.2%

Background: Democratic Candidate Shelly Simonds

Understands multicultural issues, fluent in Spanish, lived in Spanish speaking countries

Elected to the school board in since 2012, taught Spanish in at Hilton Elementary school for 5 years.

Degrees in international relations and communications

Why this Race Matters most:

To help break Republican control of crucial decisions in Virginia.

Why Democrat Shelly Simonds?

Shelly wants to get students ready for a high-tech economy. Attract good teachers and increase teachers' pay. She believes having employees proficient in STEM will attract advanced manufacturing companies to the district.

Shelly believes that expanding Medicaid, long blocked by Republicans, will provide access to better health care for hundreds of thousands of Virginians, while cutting costs and increasing jobs.

Why NOT Republican Incumbent David Yancey?

In 2016, Yancey voted for legislation to prevent Virginia cities from raising the minimum wage.

In 2012, Yancey supported the now-rescinded mandate that women seeking an abortion must first have a painful and invasive vaginal ultrasound test.

In 2012, Yancey supported requiring law enforcement officers ask about immigration status when making an arrest.

Side by Side on Key Policy Issues:

	Democrat Position	Republican Position
Health Care -- Medicaid Expansion	Virginia must expand Medicaid to help thousands who are being left behind.	Yancey voted against Medicaid expansion. State must guard budget against Medicaid costs; piecemeal improvements OK.
Women's Health	Simonds objects to Yancey's refusal to oppose anti-Planned Parenthood bill.	In 2016, Yancey voted to defund PP. In 2017, Yancey was one of 5 Republicans to abstain from a bill to defund PP. Recent flipflop to appeal to independent voters.
Jobs and Education	Simonds wants to attract high-tech companies by having qualified employees. She wants students to be proficient in STEM subjects.	Deregulation will solve small business's problems