

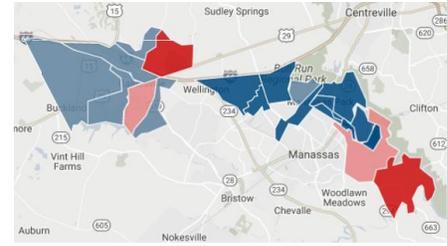
Danica Roem / HD-13 / Manassas - DC Metro Talking Points



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2016 Presidential race - precinct results

How Close is this Race?

November 2016 Presidential Race

2013 House of Delegates Race

Clinton	Clinton %	Trump	Trump %	Qarni (D)	Democrat %	Marshall (R)	Republican %
15,206	55%	11,193	40%	8,448	49%	8,946	51%

Background: Democratic Candidate Danica Roem

Lifelong resident of district; born and raised in Manassas

Award-winning reporter; worked for 9 years as lead reporter for Gainesville Times covering issues in District 13

13 years of Catholic education, including St. Bonaventure University, contributed to her commitment to equality and inclusion for all people

Why this Race Matters most:

Incumbent is an extreme religious crusader who doesn't represent the views of this diverse district; re-elected for 26 years because Dems don't vote (29% voter turnout in 2015). Fewer than 500 votes determined the winner in 2013!

Why Democrat Danica Roem?

Danica Roem stands for equality--supports minimum wage increase for workers, affordable healthcare for all, voting rights, women's rights, LGBTQ rights, civil rights, immigrant rights (DREAM Act).

She has practical, concrete ideas for solving district problems, such as transportation, schools, and jobs.

She is a consensus builder who will listen to all opinions and will make policy decisions based on her constituents' needs, not on personal ideology.

Why NOT Republican Incumbent Bob Marshall?

Bob Marshall opposes contraception (only delegate to vote against bill allowing women to get a year's supply of birth control pills) and all abortions, even in cases of rape, incest, or severe deformities. He said that disabled children are God's punishment for prior abortions and that incest can be voluntary.

He opposes all LGBTQ rights and co-authored the state constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriage.

He opposes Medicaid expansion, supports bills to deny voting rights, opposes regulations to combat climate change, supports fossil fuel companies, and opposes immigration and immigrant rights.

Side by Side on Key Policy Issues:

	Democrat Position	Republican Position
Transportation	Widen Route 28 to 6 lanes south of US 29 and reduce number of stoplights; extend Virginia Railway Express to Innovation Technology Park	Install reversible lanes on Route 28; opposed to carpool toll lanes on I-66.
Schools	Raise teacher salaries in Manassas Park and Prince William County (currently lowest in Northern Virginia); provide funding for capital improvements to reduce class size	Supports school vouchers and home schooling, which diverts funds from public schools
Jobs/Economic Development	Raise minimum wage; use state economic development grants as incentives for local governments to eliminate BPOL (business license) taxes; fill office vacancies along Manassas Drive in Manassas Park.	Against minimum wage increase; has no economic development plan, just minor legislation giving some minimal support to small businesses.