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Kiros just moved to Denver, has never held a full-time job here, and has no record of community involvement.	**After Losing Her New York Law Job, Kiros Moved Back To The Denver Area — Where She Grew Up In Aurora — Then Worked As A Barista While Pursuing A Doctorate At CU Denver.** "After losing her job, Kiros moved back to the Denver area — her parents live in Aurora, where she grew up — and soon landed in Five Points. She works as a barista at a local coffee shop while pursuing a doctoral degree at the University of Colorado Denver School of Public Affairs." [Colorado Politics, 7/9/25] **Left Her Job As A Part-Time Barista.** "My final shift at Whittier Cafe is this Wednesday." [Melat Kiros Instagram, 4/27/26] **Kiros's LinkedIn Shows Her Full-Time Professional Career Was In New York City And Ended In 2023; Her Current Denver Listing Is A University Graduate Assistantship.** LinkedIn lists Kiros's most recent full-time professional role as Securities Regulatory and Enforcement Associate at Sidley Austin LLP in New York (September 2022–November 2023). Her current Denver-based listing is Graduate Research & Teaching Assistant at the University of Colorado Denver School of Public Affairs (2024–present). [Melat Kiros LinkedIn, Accessed 5/26/26] S
Kiros is pushing an extreme agenda to defund the Denver Police, abolish the U.S. Senate, and withdraw the U.S. from NATO.	**Kiros Said Her Values "Actually Aligned Up A Lot More With DSA Platform" Than The Democratic Party's.** "Right now, my values actually aligned up a lot more with DSA platform, and these are orgs that I'm interested in working with and talking with..." [Call Me Limbo Melat Kiros Interview, 12/12/25] **Denver DSA Gave Kiros Its First-Ever Federal Endorsement, With 94.7% Of Voting Members In Favor.** "Denver DSA members voted overwhelmingly on Wednesday to endorse Melat Kiros for Colorado's 1st Congressional District in the 2026 Democratic primary on June 30th, with 94.7% of voting members in favor of her endorsement." [Denver DSA Pika Press, 2/19/26] **Denver DSA's 2023 Ballot Guide Praised A "Plan To Dismantle And Defund The Denver Police Department" As A "Key Socialist Measure."** The Denver DSA ballot guide criticized a candidate for opposing "key socialist measures, such as DSA Councilperson Candi CdeBaca's plan to dismantle and defund the Denver Police Department." [Denver DSA 2023 Municipal Ballot Guide, 4/2023] **The National DSA Platform Called To "Defund The Police … [And Cut] Budgets Annually Towards Zero," "Abolish The US Senate," And "Immediately Withdraw From NATO," Per Third Way's Analysis.** "Even a casual glance reveals ideas so extreme... Here's just a sampling: [...] 'Defund the police … [and cut] budgets annually towards zero' [...] 'Abolish the US Senate' [...] 'Immediately withdraw from NATO' [...] 'Close all US foreign military bases.'" [Third Way, 6/20/25]

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The Denver Post labeled her social media as "offensive" and "laced with antisemitism."	**Kiros Posted A Progressive Victory PAC Ad — Captioned "Something Is Approaching..." — With Mock Code Reading "fellate_israel ====== TRUE" And "not_suck_shit ======= FAILED."** "Melat Kiros, the progressive challenger to Denver-area Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO), posted an ad this week to social media that said establishment Democrats 'fellate Israel' and 'suck sh*t.' ... Kiros posted the ad with the caption, 'Something is approaching' and a link to a website 'progressive.win.'" [Mediaite, 3/26/26] **Denver Post Columnist Doug Friednash Called The Ad "Outrageous And Offensive" And Said Kiros's Views Were "Laced With Antisemitism."** "Kiros posted an outrageous and offensive digital ad with an image saying centrist Democrats 'fellate Israel' and 'suck (expletive).' There is a difference between being anti-establishment and not supporting Israel as opposed to outrageous, radical views laced with antisemitism." [The Denver Post, Doug Friednash, 3/30/26]
Diana DeGette is leading the fight against Donald Trump to protect abortion rights as the chair of the Reproductive Freedom Caucus.	**Colorado Public Radio Reported That DeGette Is "The Co-Chair Of The Reproductive Freedom Caucus" And Is Centering Her Campaign On Healthcare And "Reproductive Rights."** "DeGette is also the co-chair of the Reproductive Freedom Caucus. She considers herself progressive, and says she would continue to work with people like Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez on issues including healthcare, reproductive rights and affordability." [Colorado Public Radio, 5/18/26] **Rep. DeGette Is An Original Cosponsor Of The Women's Health Protection Act (H.R. 12, 119th Congress), Which Would Codify The Right To Abortion Nationwide.** Congress.gov lists Rep. Diana DeGette [D-CO-1] as an original cosponsor (June 24, 2025) of H.R. 12, the Women's Health Protection Act of 2025; the bill is sponsored by Rep. Judy Chu [D-CA-28] and had 207 cosponsors. [Congress.gov, H.R. 12 (119th Congress), Accessed 5/26/26] **DeGette Led More Than 250 Congressional Democrats In Filing An Amicus Brief Defending Access To Medication Abortion.** "Congresswoman Diana DeGette (CO-01), co-chair of the Reproductive Freedom Caucus, is leading more than 250 Congressional Democrats in filing an amicus brief" over access to medication abortion; her office also notes she "is a lead sponsor" of the Women's Health Protection Act "that would restore the protections that were in place under Roe." [Congresswoman Diana DeGette, Restoring Reproductive Rights, Accessed 5/26/26]
Melat Kiros touted an endorsement from an organization that dismissed sexual violence, including rape against Israelis, on October 7th as "Debunked propaganda" -- despite the UN confirming these atrocities.	**Kiros Touted Her Track AIPAC Endorsement, Saying She Was "Proud To Be Endorsed By @TrackAIPAC."** "My opponent has taken nearly $100,000 from AIPAC and still won't support the Block the Bombs Act... I'm proud to be endorsed by @TrackAIPAC and to reject AIPAC money entirely." [Melat Kiros X, 12/29/25] • **Kiros Reposted Two Track AIPAC Posts On Bluesky Promoting Her Campaign And Soliciting Donations.** On August 4, 2025, Kiros reposted two posts from @trackaipac.com on Bluesky — one promoting her campaign and one linking to a Track AIPAC ActBlue donation page. [Track AIPAC Bluesky, reposted by Melat Kiros, 8/4/25]

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	Track AIPAC (Citizens Against AIPAC Corruption) Dismissed Sexual Violence During The October 7 Attack As "Debunked Propaganda," Posting On The Attack's One-Year Anniversary In Response To Sen. Van Hollen. "Senator Van Hollen is spreading the Israeli government's debunked propaganda of 'sexual violence' on 10/7." — posted Oct. 7, 2024, replying to Van Hollen's statement that "Hamas terrorists brutally attacked Israel -- killing over 1,200 people and taking over 250 hostages." [Track AIPAC Twitter, 10/7/24] **The UN Special Representative On Sexual Violence In Conflict Found "Reasonable Grounds To Believe" That Sexual Violence — Including Rape And Gang-Rape — Occurred During The October 7 Attacks.** "[T]he mission team found that there are reasonable grounds to believe that conflict-related sexual violence occurred in multiple locations during the 7 October attacks, including rape and gang-rape in at least three locations, namely: the Nova music festival site and its surroundings, Road 232, and Kibbutz Re'im." [United Nations, Office of the SRSG-SVC, 3/4/24]